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Milwaukee Y partners with Children's Hospital and City of Milwaukee Health Department to offer vaccine clinic

Vaccinations will be provided free of charge to uninsured individuals and children on public health insurance

MILWAUKEE – The YMCA of Metropolitan Milwaukee, Children's Hospital of Wisconsin and the City of Milwaukee Health Department are partnering to offer a vaccine clinic Friday, March 27, from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the Northside YMCA, located at 1350 West North Avenue in Milwaukee. All childhood vaccinations will be offered including: Mumps, Measles, Rubella (MMR); pertussis (whooping cough); and the flu.

Immunizations will be provided free of charge to those who are uninsured and children on public insurance such as BadgerCare. Individuals receiving vaccines should have their immunization records and insurance card (if they have insurance).

The City of Milwaukee Health Department is reminding the public about the importance of vaccination, as vaccine-preventable diseases such as measles and pertussis (whooping cough) continue to be of concern. Flu season can also extend into late spring.

"Immunizations are among the most effective ways to prevent and reduce the spread of disease in our community," said City of Milwaukee Commissioner of Health Bevan K. Baker. "Thanks to the Milwaukee Y, we can continue to proactively work together to help protect ourselves, our families and our communities at large."

As a leader in preventative health programs, the Milwaukee Y is committed to being a part of the solution to improve health care access and the well-being of families throughout Milwaukee.

"Providing convenient access to preventative health care is central to our vision of creating a stronger, healthier Milwaukee where families of all incomes and backgrounds truly thrive," said YMCA of Metropolitan Milwaukee President and CEO Julie Tolan. "By working together with community partners such as the City of Milwaukee Health Department to offer collaborative solutions like vaccine clinics, we can strengthen the collective health of the communities we serve."

About the Northside YMCA

Built in 2002, the Northside YMCA represents the Milwaukee Y's commitment to the kids and families of Milwaukee's city neighborhoods. The center features a full-day child care center, family adventure pool, family locker rooms, and a double gymnasium. Adults can enjoy lap swimming, group exercise classes and use the equipment in the fitness center. The Northside YMCA also is home to the YMCA

Black Achievers program, and it houses a Children's Hospital primary care clinic that provides primary care services to children (from birth to adulthood) and their caregivers. The Children's Hospital clinic is managed by nurse practitioners from Marquette University College of Nursing.

About the YMCA of Metropolitan Milwaukee

The YMCA of Metropolitan Milwaukee is a powerful association of men, women and children of all ages and walks of life joined together by a shared vision to create a stronger, healthier Milwaukee where families of all incomes and backgrounds truly thrive. Supported by the generosity and vision of our benefactors, the Milwaukee Y offers solutions that reduce health issues that plague our community, such as chronic diseases and preventable injuries; provides safe places seven-days-a-week where kids can have fun, families can gather and seniors can build meaningful connections; serves as an access point for vital community needs, such as preventative health care and reliable, safe before- and after-school care; partners with families, schools and other non-profits to help kids grow into productive adults; and makes fitness fun and accessible for all. Comprising five locations throughout the Milwaukee area, as well as Camp Minikani on the shores of Lake Amy Belle in Hubertus, Wisconsin, the Milwaukee Y has been a part of the lives of the greater Milwaukee area's kids and families since 1858. For more information, visit www.ymcamke.org.

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