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ZLB Plasma Donates Flu Vaccine Columbus Public Health Recipient of Needed Doses

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(Columbus, Ohio) Columbus Public Health, along with Columbus area residents, are benefiting from a donation of flu vaccine from ZLB Plasma.

The health department is distributing the vaccine in conjunction with the Adult Immunization Coalition of Central Ohio that reaches the City of Columbus, Franklin and surrounding counties.

“We appreciate ZLB Plasma for their donation and the positive impact it has for our community,” said Columbus Public Health Commissioner Dr. Teresa C. Long. “I would encourage individuals who have not been vaccinated to find a nearby clinic by calling 614-437-2900 or go to www.vaccine4me.com. We have an ample supply of the vaccine and will continue to vaccinate residents throughout the winter.”

The donated vaccine, Afluria®, is manufactured by CSL Biotherapies. This vaccine is used for active immunization of persons age 18 years and older against influenza diseases caused by influenza subtypes A and type B. Afluria® is made available in both single-dose, thimerosal-free, pre-filled syringes and in multi-dose vials.

If you have not gotten a flu shot, Dr. Long encourages you to do so. “Everyone who wants to avoid getting the influenza virus should get the vaccine,” Long said. “There are individuals who are at particular risk such as adults over 50, young children, persons with chronic cardiovascular or pulmonary disorders, chronic metabolic diseases (including diabetes), renal dysfunction, anemia, immunosuppressive or immunodeficiency disorders and pregnant women.”

You should also get a flu shot if you work with residents of nursing homes or patients with chronic medical conditions or if you are a health-care workers involved in direct patient care

ZLB Plasma operates 65 plasma collection facilities including a site in Columbus and five others in Ohio. Plasma is collected from paid donors. This plasma is the key ingredient for products crucial to treating patients suffering from a host of life-threatening conditions, including hemophilia, shock or trauma, immune deficiencies, and other blood disorders.

About ZLB Plasma:

ZLB Plasma, one of the largest collectors of human plasma in the world, is dedicated to the collection of plasma for life-saving therapies. ZLB Plasma operates 65 plasma collection centers across the United States and eight in Germany.

The Company is part of the CSL Behring group that is owned by CSL Limited, based in Australia. The group has a proud heritage dating back to the scientific efforts of Nobel Prize winner Emil von Behring and the renowned efforts of the Swiss Red Cross.

CSL was founded in Melbourne, Australia in 1916 to supply vaccines for the Australian Government. It became a private company listed on the Australian Stock Exchange in 1994. The CSL Group, which also includes CSL Research & Development, CSL Bioplasma and CSL Behring, has more than 8,500 employees and operates in 21 countries worldwide.

For more information, go to:
www.zlbplasma.com
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For more information about Afluria®, go to: www.afluria.com

To find out more about flu vaccination in the Columbus, Ohio area – go to www.publichealth.columbus.gov

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