

Here's Sample Of The Form...

Please Read, Understand About Swine Flu Vaccine

The federal program of trying to vaccinate as many people in the United States as possible against swine flu requires that a form be signed by the person receiving the vaccine.

The wording may vary slightly in some parts of the country for one reason or another, but basically, the form - as shown - indicates that the person receiving the vaccine has read it, does clearly understand the benefits and risks involved, has had ample opportunity to ask any questions he or she might have, and does

request that the vaccine be given to him or her.

The company plans to follow the federal guidelines of the program although we are administering the vaccine under our own Influenza Immunization Program in a way that is supplemented by the federal plan.

Each employee who receives the vaccine will be asked to sign one of the forms in the presence of the Industrial Nurse in charge of administering the vaccine at his or her facility.

Question Encouraged
Clinton Mills doesn't want

anyone to sign something they haven't had plenty of time to read and think about. We also want them to have plenty of time to ask questions.

We certainly do encourage any employee that has any questions at all about the vaccine or his or her ability to take it to please check with the Plant Industrial Nurse.

Don't pass up a chance for this valuable protection, just because you have some question and don't want to bother about asking someone.

Moving Fast

Once we get our supply of vaccine, we're going to be moving fast in getting these people taken care of. So, there simply is not going to be the time to stand there in line reading the whole form before you sign it while you hold up a line of people behind you.

Therefore, we're presenting a sample of this form on this page so that employees can sit down, read it at leisure, and make sure they understand or know what questions they want to ask.

We want everyone to have this protection, but we want to make sure that everyone does understand without question the protection they're getting.

Samples of the actual forms will be posted in your respective plants. However, the printed form here, in most instances, will carry the information you need to have. The actual forms given us by the government may vary slightly from the one reproduced here.

(This is a sample form similar to the one which each employee will be asked to sign in the presence of the Industrial Nurse at the facility where he or she is receiving the swine flu vaccine.)

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT SWINE INFLUENZA (FLU) VACCINE

The Disease

Influenza (flu) is caused by viruses. When people get flu they may have fever, chills, headache, dry cough or muscle aches. Illness may last several days or a week or more, and complete recovery is usual. However, complications may lead to pneumonia or death in some people. For the elderly and people with diabetes or heart, lung, or kidney diseases, flu may be especially serious.

It is unlikely that you have built up adequate natural protection against swine flu, since it has not caused widespread human outbreaks in 45 years.

The Vaccine

The vaccine will not give you flu because it is made from killed viruses. One shot will protect most people from swine flu during the next flu season (winter 1976 - spring 1977). Today's flu vaccines cause fewer side effects than those used in the past. In contrast with some live vaccines, influenza vaccine can be taken safely during pregnancy.

Possible Vaccine Side Effects

Most people will have no side effects from the vaccine. However, tenderness at the site of the shot may occur and last for several days. Some people will also have fever, chills, headache, or muscle aches within the first 48 hours.

Special Precautions

As with any vaccine or medication, the possibility of severe or potentially fatal reactions to flu vaccine must be considered. However, there have been no reported deaths from flu vaccine since the early days of vaccine use (1940's). In some instances people receiving vaccine have had allergic reactions. You should note very carefully the following precautions:

- People with known allergy to eggs should receive the vaccine only under special medical supervision.
- People with fever should delay getting vaccinated until the fever is gone.
- People who have received another type of vaccine in the past 14 days should consult a physician before taking the flu vaccine.

If you have any questions about flu or flu vaccine, please ask your Plant Industrial Nurse.

REGISTRATION FORM

I have read the above statement about the swine flu and the vaccine. I have had an opportunity to ask questions and understand the benefits and risks of flu vaccination and request that it be given to me.

Name of Vaccinee (Please print)

Age of Vaccinee

Signature of Vaccinee