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Subject: Influenza Vaccination

1. The Medical Service has acquired a limited number of doses of influenza vaccine.
2. **Vaccination is advisable** for staff members over 50 years of age and is particularly recommended for those suffering from chronic lung, cardiovascular or kidney disease, from diabetes, and for people convalescing after a severe illness or operation.
3. **It is contra-indicated** in cases of acute infection, treatment with corticosteroids and allergy to eggs, thiomersal or Neomycin. It is not contra-indicated during pregnancy, but it is preferable not to be vaccinated during the first three months of pregnancy unless there is a warning of an epidemic.
4. **Vaccination is available only** to staff members of the Organisation, and not to members of their families, retired staff, delegates or visitors.
5. The vaccination campaign will begin on **Monday 22 October 2001** and will continue for **a period of six weeks**.

Vaccinations will be performed daily from Monday to Friday

**at the Medical Service, Door 2, from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.
at the Medical Service, E-Building (Room E-3053),
from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m.**

**No appointment or prior telephone call is necessary
No vaccine will be reserved**

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