

## **News Release**

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## **Vaccines for Children Public Clinics in April**

Southwest Nebraska Public Health Department (SWNPHD) will be offering Vaccines for Children at public clinics in April. Anyone two months of age and older are invited to get their vaccinations. With the ongoing outbreak of measles in the United States and around the world, we encourage all residents to be up to date with their MMR (Measles, Mumps, Rubella) vaccine. If you will be traveling abroad, please verify your MMR status at least 6 weeks before your trip. If you have questions about your vaccination status, call your medical provider or contact SWNPHD at 308-345-4223.

## Locations include:

Curtis – Monday, April 8th, 4:30-5:30 pm at Medicine Valley High School.

**Ogallala** – by appointment only based upon the nurse availability, at 418 N Spruce (across the street from the Methodist Church).

**McCook** – daily Monday-Friday, 8:00 am-4:00 pm based upon the nurse availability, at 404 West 10th Street (one block north of Arby's).

Other locations: check with your local healthcare provider.

We encourage those interested in vaccination to call to schedule an appointment. Walk-ins are welcome, but priority will be given to those with a scheduled appointment.

Vaccines for Children is funded in whole with federal and DHHS funds. Children with no insurance, under-insured, Medicaid, Native American or Native Alaskan qualify for state-funded vaccine. Adults who are uninsured or under-insured may also qualify for state funded vaccine. Call the office for qualifications at 308-345-4223. Both state-funded and private vaccines are available at these clinics. Insurance billing and cash or credit card payment options are available to those who do not qualify for the state-funded vaccine.

Southwest Nebraska Public Health Department serves Chase, Dundy, Frontier, Furnas, Hayes, Hitchcock, Keith, Perkins, and Red Willow counties. The website swhealth.ne.gov contains many resources and additional information helpful to prevent disease, promote and protect health. You can follow us on Facebook, Instagram, You Tube and TikTok. Call 308-345-4223, one number three locations (McCook, Imperial & Ogallala).