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ALERT: Recall of portion of 2009 H1N1 Pediatric Vaccine

Sanofi Pasteur has issued a voluntary recall of a portion of 2009 H1N1 pediatric vaccine, due to it being slightly less effective than what was first expected. Please note: This is not a safety issue, and there is no need for re-administration of vaccine to those who received it from the recalled lot numbers.

However, as is recommended for all 2009 H1N1 vaccines, all children less than 10 years old should get the recommended two doses of H1N1 vaccine approximately a month apart for the optimal immune response.

Patients can call the Texas flu hotline #211 if they have further questions or concerns.

UPDATE (December 17, 2009)

The vaccine has been removed from MCNT supplies, and our offices are awaiting additional vaccines from the state. Sanofi has issued detailed instructions about how to return the vaccines that were recalled.