To: Thurston County Health Care Providers  
From: Thurston County Public Health and Social Services  
Subject: Fees for Administration of H1N1 Influenza Vaccine – Questions and Answers  
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You are receiving this information because you are a health care provider who has a state contract to administer H1N1 Influenza Vaccine, or one who has indicated interest is administering H1N1 Influenza Vaccine.

**Can I charge a fee for H1N1 Influenza Vaccine?**

No. The federal government is paying for the vaccine providing them to you at no cost.

**Can I charge a fee for H1N1 Influenza Vaccine supplies?**

No. The federal government is paying for vaccine administration supplies and providing them to you at no cost.

**Can I charge a fee for administration of H1N1 Influenza Vaccine?**

Yes. You are allowed to charge an administration charge of no greater than this region’s Medicare rate – $20.43

**Will private health insurance reimburse providers for the administration of H1N1 Influenza Vaccine?**

Individual insurers will make that determination, however it is expected that administration of H1N1 will be covered as usual and customary for the insurance policy.

**Will Medicaid and Medicare reimburse providers for the administration of H1N1 Influenza Vaccine?**

Yes. Medicaid will reimburse $12.94 and Medicare $20.43 for administration of H1N1 influenza vaccine.

**Where can I get more information on H1N1 Influenza Vaccine?**

- Visit the Thurston County Public Health and Social Services web site, Information for Health Care Providers: [www.co.thurston.wa.us/health](http://www.co.thurston.wa.us/health)
- Contact Jillian Heist, H1N1 Influenza Vaccine Coordinator for Thurston County: heistj@co.thurston.wa.us or 360.786.5581, xXXXXX