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**Vaccines for Teens
Clinic**

Carew Medical Park,
1818 Carew St.

Monday through Thursday

(March 1-March 25)

3 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

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For Immediate Release

Free clinic offers teens three required vaccines

FORT WAYNE, Ind. (March 2, 2010). –Parents are being urged to take advantage of a special vaccine clinic for teens who will need three additional vaccines for school in the fall.

A change in state law requires students in grades 6 through 12 to be vaccinated against meningococcal disease, chickenpox and whooping cough by the first day of the 2010-2011 school year. Only those students with a valid medical exemption or religious objection will be exempt from the requirement.

The *Vaccines for Teens* clinic will be open Monday through Thursday, 3 to 6:30 p.m., through March 25.

The clinic is at 1818 Carew St., 3rd floor. Parking is available in an attached garage. All three of the newly-required vaccinations will be offered for free. At the clinic, the Fort Wayne-AlLEN County Department of Health will also continue to offer free H1N1 flu vaccine.

Parents should bring the child's shot record and/or any proof of chickenpox infection or past immunization. The document required is a written statement, including the date of the infection, and parent signature.

Teen-agers under age 18 must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian (with notarized documentation).

The health department has set up a special hotline for questions about the vaccines or the clinic. The phone number is (260) 449-7506. Residents can also call 2-1-1 for information.

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