

Flu update set for Thursday

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MANKATO — Health-care officials will hold an informational meeting for members of the greater Mankato business community to provide updates regarding the seasonal flu and the H1N1 flu and the potential impact of a widespread outbreak of those illnesses.

The event will take place from noon to 1 p. m. Thursday at the Verizon Wireless Center in Mankato. "Our goal is to make sure business leaders have the most current and accurate information about the flu so they can plan their response ahead of any outbreak of the disease," said Eric Weller, coordinator of the South Central Healthcare Emergency Preparedness Program.

The flu is expected to peak in the next three to five weeks.

The program is free of charge and registration is required. A complimentary box lunch will be served to all attendees.

Registrations can be made by contacting Greater Mankato Growth at 3856640 or via e-mail at info@greatermankato.com. All registrations must be received by noon Wednesday.

The event is being presented by GMG and will feature representatives from Immanuel St. Joseph's — Mayo Health System, Mankato Clinic, Blue Earth County Public Health, the Minnesota Department of Health and the South Central Healthcare Emergency Preparedness Program.

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