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Huron County Hospitals, Laboratories, and Providers,

The 2023-2024 flu season is right around the corner, beginning in October, the time when we typically start to see an increase in flu activity in Ohio. While flu cases can occur year-round, Huron County Public Health (HCPH) tracks and releases flu reports during flu season (weeks 40-20), which can be found here, <https://www.huroncohealth.com/influenza-surveillance>, on flu cases in the county. We rely on this information from the weekly Influenza-Like Illness Tracking Reporting completed by our hospitals, labs, and providers in the county to compile this report.

For those who have completed the flu surveillance reporting in previous years and have continued to do so even beyond flu season, thank you, and at this time, we ask that our hospitals, labs, and providers continue or begin the influenza-like illness and positive flu case reporting via our survey that is available on SurveyMonkey: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/9H33S8E>. There is information on the flu online reporting and flu tracking sheets for hospitals, labs, and providers in this packet and on our website that you can use to assist you in tracking/reporting. If you have not completed this reporting in the past and would like to do so, or have questions, please contact HCPH's Epidemiologist at 419-668-1652 ext. 269 for information on how to get started with the reporting.

Thank you,

Huron County Public Health



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