

CONSENT FOR INFLUENZA VACCINE

Information:

The flu is a respiratory infection caused by viruses. When people get the flu they may have a fever, chills, headache, dry cough, or muscle aches. The illness may last several days or a week or more, and complete recovery is usual. However, complications from the flu may lead to pneumonia or death in some people. Estimating the individual risk in contracting the flu this year, is not possible, but for the elderly, diabetics, and for people with asthma, heart, lung, kidney disease, and neuromuscular disorders the flu may be especially serious.

The Vaccine:

An injection of the flu vaccine will not give you the flu! The vaccine is selected and made by the office of Biologic, Food and Drug Administration and the Public Health Services. The Preventative Services Task Force also recommends annual flu shots. Side effects of the flu shot are generally mild in adults and occur infrequently. The more common side effects are redness or tenderness at the site of injection, usually the upper arm. A slight fever, mild chills, or possible headache are also common. The side effects are certainly less severe in nature than contracting the flu itself.

If you are pregnant, allergic to eggs or chicken, have a history of Guillain-Barré, an active neurologic disorder, or had a fever or recent severe illness. You should not receive this vaccine.

Consent:

I am not allergic to eggs chicken. I do not have a history of Guillan Barre, active neurological disorder, fever, current or recent severe illness. I have read the above and I voluntarily consented the injection of a flu shot in my arm.

I, _____ (print name), consent to receiving the influenza vaccine and I have had the opportunity to ask questions and I understand the benefits and risks of the vaccine. I understand that there is no guarantee that I will develop immunity or that I will not experience adverse side effects from the vaccine. I agree to hold Robert Sadaty M.D. or any staff member working with or for Robert Sadaty M.D.P.A, harmless from any and all adverse consequences with respect to administration of the vaccine. A copy of the drug insert is available to me upon request.

X _____ (Signature)