Hepatitis A Vaccine Included in Vaccination Clinics at Florida Blue Centers

Florida Blue Centers are joining forces with Walgreens now through November to host vaccination clinics for consumers age 18 and older. In addition to the other vaccines available, the Hepatitis A vaccine is being offered in response to the public health emergency declared August 1, 2019 in Florida.

What You Need to Know
The Vaccinations with Walgreens clinics will be held at Florida Blue Centers throughout the state. Walgreens pharmacists will administer the vaccines and Florida Blue Center nurses will provide health coaching and perform personal health assessments.

The clinics are open to any adult, even those with other health plans, and the shots will be covered according to the consumers’ health plan benefits. Available vaccinations include:

- Hepatitis A
- Influenza
- Pneumonia
- Shingles
- Tdap
- MMR (Measles, mumps, rubella)

Your Florida Blue patients can call their local Florida Blue Center for details. To find the cost of a vaccine on the list, they can check their benefits or call the customer service number on the back of their member cards.

Public Health Emergency Declared
On August 1, 2019, State Surgeon General Scott A. Rivkees, M.D., declared a public health emergency in Florida in response to the significant increase in the reported cases of the hepatitis A virus (HAV) in the state.

We support the providers who follow appropriate standards of care and guide our members to the proper actions to keep them and their families healthy and safe. Remember, Florida Blue covers both the Havrix and Vaqta vaccines for HAV. Florida county health departments will vaccinate uninsured and underinsured individuals requiring the vaccine.

Where to Go for More Information
You can find additional information about the CDC recommendations regarding HAV here. FDOH provides this HAV alert for health care providers. For more information, call the FDOH HAV hotline: 844-225-5364; or email: hepa@flhealth.gov.