

# **DEPARTMENT NOTICE**

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# Vaccinations and Annual TB Screening Recommendations

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#### Flu Vaccination

To protect you, your family and your co-workers from this year's flu virus, all interested department members (sworn & professional staff) can have the vaccine administered at no cost. There are many ways to get your flu vaccination.

#### San Francisco Health & Human Services

Members of the San Francisco Health Service System may participate in numerous free flu shot clinics throughout the month of October and November. For a complete list of dates, times, and locations, please check <u>https://sfhss.org/well-being/flu-prevention</u> (drop- in basis).

## Personal Healthcare Provider

Information for various insurance carriers is at the bottom of this website <u>https://sfhss.org/well-being/flu-prevention#tab-5991</u>.

### **TB Screening**

Annual TB screening is still recommended for all sworn officers, police service aides and police cadets. Those who recently spent time with someone who has active TB disease, work in places where TB is more likely to spread, such as hospitals, homeless shelters, correctional facilities, and nursing homes are highly recommended to get tested for TB.

Individuals who have a higher risk of developing TB disease once infected are those with weaker immune systems, such as diabetes, cancer or HIV or those on immunosuppression medications. Additionally, those who had temporary residence of greater than 1 month in a country with a high TB rate are also at risk. More information can be found here <u>https://www.cdc.gov/tb/testing/index.html</u>. Information on symptoms of TB disease can be found here <u>https://www.cdc.gov/tb/signs-symptoms/index.html</u>

TB tests can be performed at any primary care physician's office or contact ZSFGH/Employee Health at <u>DPH-OHSscheduling@sfdph.org</u> or (628) 206-6581 to schedule an appointment.



Per DN 23-152, all sworn & non-sworn Members shall electronically acknowledge this Department document in PowerDMS within (30) thirty calendar days of issuance. Members whose duties are relevant to this document shall be held responsible for compliance. Any questions regarding this policy should be sent to sfpd.writtendirectives@sfgov.org, who will provide additional information.

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