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Tetanus Vaccine Available for Fire Victims

Siskiyou County Public Health Department has obtained an allocation of Tetanus vaccine from the State Immunization Branch.

This vaccine is being made available free of charge to adult residents of Weed who lost their homes in the recent fire and will be participating in recovery work, such as digging through rubble, where they may come in contact with tetanus bacteria as it is usually found in soil, dust and manure. Tetanus bacteria commonly enter the body through breaks in the skin, cuts, or puncture wounds caused by contaminated objects.

A special clinic has been set up on Friday September 19, 2014 from 10 am to 2 pm in the old College of the Siskiyou Life Sciences Building, 800 College Avenue, Weed.

The vaccine offered will contain Tetanus, Diphtheria, and Pertussis and is commonly called Tdap. The Centers for Disease Control recommends that all adults should receive a tetanus vaccine every ten years.

You should not get this vaccine if you have ever had a life-threatening reaction after receiving a previous vaccine with any of the components or if you have a severe allergy to any part of this vaccine.

For questions, please call Public Health at 841-2134.

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