

Lee County Board Of County Commissioners
Agenda Item Summary

Blue Sheet No. **20031115**

1. REQUESTED MOTION:

ACTION REQUESTED:
Present Flu Shot Resolution.

WHY ACTION IS NECESSARY:

WHAT ACTION ACCOMPLISHES:

9:30 #1

3. MEETING DATE:

09-30-03

4. AGENDA:

- CONSENT
- ADMINISTRATIVE
- APPEALS
- PUBLIC
- WALK ON
- TIME REQUIRED:

5. REQUIREMENT/PURPOSE:
(Specify)

- STATUTE
- ORDINANCE
- ADMIN. CODE
- OTHER

6. REQUESTOR OF INFORMATION:

- A. COMMISSIONER Commissioner Judah
- B. DEPARTMENT County Commission
- C. DIVISION

BY: *Judah*

7. BACKGROUND:

8. MANAGEMENT RECOMMENDATIONS:

9. RECOMMENDED APPROVAL:

A Department Director	B Purchasing or Contracts	C Human Resources	D Other	E County Attorney	F Budget Services				G County Manager
					OA	OM	Risk	GC	
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

10. COMMISSION ACTION:

- APPROVED
- DENIED
- DEFERRED
- OTHER



LEE COUNTY
SOUTHWEST FLORIDA

The Board of County Commissioners

RESOLUTION

Whereas: Influenza and Pneumonia are the fifth leading cause of death in the nation for people age 65 and older. It is a highly contagious viral illness and more people die of complications from the flu than from any other vaccine-preventable disease, according to the Centers For Disease Control in Atlanta; and

Whereas: Seniors and people with underlying health conditions are much more likely to have serious complications or die from the flu. The Centers for Disease Control recommends that people age 50 and older get a flu shot each year. The flu shot cannot give you the flu because the vaccine contains dead viruses. The vaccine takes 14 days to provide immunity and is 80% effective in preventing death. The flu shot cost is paid by Medicare and it is worth a shot to protect yourself because a flu shot can save lives; and

Whereas: The top 3 reasons to get a flu shot are: It prevents death. Each year over 20,000 people in the US die because of the flu and most are over 65 years old. It prevents severe illness. The flu puts about 114,000 people in the hospital each year in the US. Children under 2 years old are as likely to be hospitalized as those over 65. It protects other people. People who live with or care for others who are at high risk of serious illness from the flu need a flu shot. They can give the flu to these people if they get the flu themselves; and

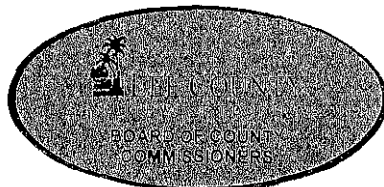
Whereas: Anyone who wishes to reduce the likelihood of becoming ill from influenza should get the flu shot and healthcare workers especially need protection for themselves and to prevent spreading the disease to others. Even kids get the flu. Protect your child and yourself. The Flu Bug Bites Young and Old; and

Whereas: Every year the vaccine is available beginning in October. Remember to get your shot before Halloween. Don't Wait – Vaccinate!

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE Board of County Commissioners of Lee County, Florida would like to take this opportunity to encourage the citizens of Lee County to get their flu shots.

Duly Executed this 30th day of September 2003.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
LEE COUNTY, FLORIDA



Chairman