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Greene County Combined Health District Offers Yellow Fever and Shingles Vaccine

(XENIA, OH) The Greene County Combined Health District (GCCHD) has announced that it now offers both the **yellow fever** vaccine and the **shingles** vaccine. The vaccines are available during regular immunization clinics at the Health District offices, located at **360 Wilson Drive in Xenia, from 8:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. on Tuesdays and from 4:00 – 6:30 p.m. on the second (2nd) Thursday of each month.**

Yellow fever is a serious disease caused by the yellow fever virus. It is spread through the bite of an infected mosquito and cannot be spread directly from person to person. It is found in certain parts of Africa and South America. The vaccine needs to be given at least 10 days prior to travel.

The cost for the yellow fever vaccination is \$90.00 plus \$25.00 for a clinic visit (\$15.00 if it is a returning visit).

Shingles is caused by the Varicella Zoster virus, the same virus that causes chickenpox. It is a painful skin rash, often with blisters. It is also called Herpes Zoster. The pain can be severe and other symptoms include fever, chills and upset stomach.

The cost for the shingles vaccination is \$170.00 plus \$25.00 for a clinic visit (\$15.00 if it is a returning visit).

For more information, please call Kathy Pearson, Public Health Nurse, at (937) 374-5653 or visit www.cdc.gov/vaccines.

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