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HEALTH DEPARTMENT TO CONVEY IMPORTANT MESSAGES VIA TWITTER

JOLIET – The Health Department began using a Twitter account September 29. Using Twitter will enable followers to receive emergency messages, and other important public health information, on their own computers and cell phones.

“The ability to communicate brief, but important, messages without delay is more critical now than ever before,” according to Will County Health Department executive director John Cicero. “We need to reach out to the community in as many ways as possible to insure that important messages are conveyed. Social networking has become an important community resource.”

The first three Will County Health Department “Tweets” conveyed messages about H₁N₁ Flu, an upcoming Freedom From Smoking clinic at Adventist Bolingbrook Hospital, and tuberculosis testing. The agency plans at least three “Tweets” daily, but the account will be used more often when emergencies arise.

To become a Will County Health Department follower on Twitter, visit www.twitter.com/willcohealth. Follow the directions to set up your own Twitter account. Be sure to check the proper boxes to receive Twitter messages via cell phone and-or computer.



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