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"Advised away"

Student athletes say they were advised to avoid H1N1 vaccine

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Several student athletes say they were told by an athletic trainer to forego the H1N1 vaccination this week, saying the trainer warned them about unknown "long term effects" that the vaccine may cause.

Jeff Webster, head athletics trainer at Penn State Behrend, denies he was advising the students away from the vaccine.

"We have never told a student athlete to not get the H1N1 vaccine," Webster said.

Patty Pasky McMahon, Director of the Health and Wellness Center, says that she is not aware of any effort to steer student athletes away from the vaccine.

"It would be my recommendation that all students, including student athletes, obtain the vaccine," barring contraindications, she says.

According to three players on the women's soccer team, including sophomore forward Erin McCreary, Webster advised them away from the vaccine during a training room conversation.

"He told us that it was our opinion [on whether] to go get it, but he advised that we don't because there hasn't been enough research on long term effects," McCreary said. "He said that nobody knows what could happen to you like ten years or so from now."

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Medical assistant Lisa Fatica administered the H1N1 vaccine to sophomore Kat Sasko Wednesday. Sasko and other students were able to receive the vaccine free of charge in one of Penn State Behrend's free H1N1 vaccine clinics held this week on campus.

Behrend holds H1N1 vaccine clinics

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Students worried about the spread of H1N1 "Swine" Influenza can now breathe a little easier.

Penn State Behrend held two free H1N1 vaccine clinics this week. Five to six hundred students showed up during both clinics.

The first of two of Behrend's H1N1 vaccine clinics, the more successful of the two, was held on Wednesday at McGarvey Commons. Patty Pasky McMahon, nurse practitioner and Director of Behrend's Health and Wellness Center, says that over 400 students showed up in the first three and a half hours alone.

Despite the popularity of the clinic,

Behrend still has vaccines left over out of their batch of 2500, and will offer them to students throughout the rest of the year.

According to McMahon, they anticipated that there would be a sufficient amount of doses left after the clinics this week in order to hold additional clinics later in the semester, and in Spring.

The Health and Wellness center plans to hold clinics at the REDC and Hammermill buildings and also in the evenings for those with conflicting schedules.

McMahon says that the benefits are obvious for getting the vaccine.

"It gives over 85 percent probability that you won't get H1N1 if you come in contact with it," says McMahon.

She explained that the clinics are using what is called an "inactivated" vaccine,

consisting of virus particles grown in culture then killed, as opposed to a nasal spray with a greater risk of side effects.

According to McMahon, the nasal spray typically goes to children so that they don't have to get a shot, but isn't as convenient for our campus' population.

According to the Center for Disease Control (CDC), their Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) recommends that certain groups of the population receive the vaccine before others.

These groups include pregnant women, people who live with or care for children younger than six months of age, health-care and emergency medical services personnel, people between the ages

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LEB books The Clarks

Pittsburgh rock band to play at Behrend Dec. 3

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For the second time in three years, The Clarks, a rock band originally from Pittsburgh, will be returning to Penn State Behrend. This year's concert is being co-sponsored by the Lion Entertainment Board, and Kappa Delta Rho Fraternity. Members of both organizations will be heading production committees as well as working during the show.

When asked why the LEB decided to have such a large scale concert in the fall semester, LEB Executive Director Molly Thomas said

"The Clark's schedule was open and they were extremely successful the last time they were here."

Successful is right. The last time the Clarks came to Behrend, which was in 2007, the concert sold out to 1000 people. Of all in attendance, 800 were students of Behrend. That concert was also sponsored by the LEB, with a co sponsorship from the Theta Phi Alpha sorority.

Throughout the fall semester, the LEB brings several musical acts to campus, most of whom perform on the Bruno's stage Friday or Saturday nights.

"I've been working with the Clarks agent since this summer. They knew how successful the concert was last time they

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Oh, so close

Men's Soccer falls to Medaille in AMCC Championship

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One goal is the only thing that separated the Behrend Lions from an AMCC championship against the Medaille Mavericks.

The two teams had met each other earlier in the regular season, the game ending in an 0-0 tie at the end of two overtimes. This time, however, the Lions were looking for the win over the Mavericks, ultimately earning the AMCC championship and receiving a bid into the NCAA tournament.

The game commenced and the play was fairly even, both teams threatening to score very early on.

The game continued this way, with possession quickly changing back and forth.

Medaille pressured the Lions heavily in the first half, making the Behrend men play continuous defense.

Despite the Mavericks' efforts, Behrend senior goal keeper Dustin Walker held strong in the net, making saves left and right.

Behrend then had their offensive pressure streak, but the Medaille defense stood their ground and would not let the Lions create any threaten-

ing scoring opportunities.

With both teams looking for the first goal of the game, the tension and the physicality of the game rose.

The physical play continued between the two teams, creating key defensive stops and generating offensive attacks.

At the 4:23 minute mark of the half, a Behrend player was called for a foul inside the 18-yard box, giving Medaille a penalty kick.

The energy level in the stadium quickly raised, fans cheering louder than ever for Walker to make the save.

Luckily, Walker came up big for the Nittany Lions and made the save on the shot.

That one save instantly increased the spirit and energy of the Behrend team.

The first half ended with the score tied at 0-0, setting the scene for an intense second half.

The second half started with the Mavericks possessing the ball. Despite this, the game still continued to progress back and forth.

At the 32:19 minute mark of the second half, Behrend was given a free kick, a perfect

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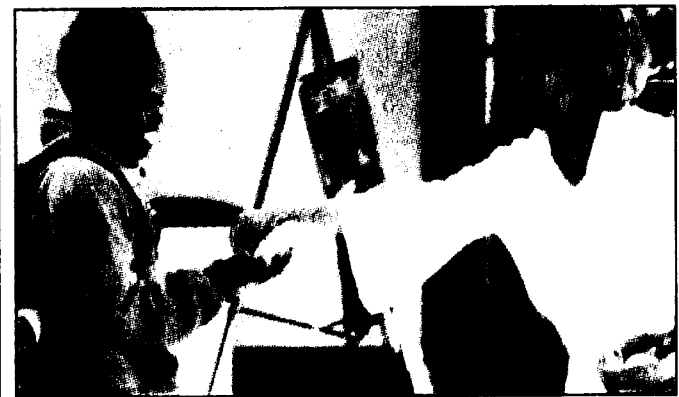


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Goalkeeper Dustin Walker played a large role in keeping Behrend alive at AMCCs, making several key saves.

A day for remembrance
A day for respect

A Ribbon for Hope



Daniel Smith / The Behrend Beacon

Freshman Alyssa Craig receives one of 2000 yellow ribbons handed out to honor America's heroes.

Students receive yellow ribbons in honor of Veterans Day

For the 130 students on-campus who have served in the armed forces, the reality of America's highest calling is engrained in their lives forever.

For the rest of the population at Behrend, though, the importance of that service took a large step closer on Wednesday.

Giselle Hudson, who works in the Behrend Financial Aid office, organized a

yellow ribbon handout to honor veterans.

"About 20 spools of yellow ribbon were used," she says, to create the 2000 ribbons handed out to students.

Freshman Alyssa Craig, above left, was one student for whom the ribbon hit close to home. Her brother, Tonytann Craig, is currently serving as a Staff Sergeant in the Marines, and is on active duty.

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