



State Representative Timothy DeGeeter

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Pandemic Flu Grant Awarded to Cuyahoga Co. Health Department

Rep. DeGeeter Announces Funding to Prepare for Worst-Case Scenario

COLUMBUS – State Representative Timothy DeGeeter (D-Parma) today announced the Cuyahoga County Health Department received a \$200,000 grant through the Ohio Department of Health’s Pandemic Influenza Program.

The Cuyahoga County Health Department, which is based in Parma, will use the grant money to explore various methods to distribute flu medications to people in isolation or under quarantine in a pandemic flu situation.

“You never know when a pandemic can strike, and this money helps prepare our neighborhoods for a worst-case scenario,” Rep. DeGeeter said. “We need to make sure we can provide quality health care at all times, especially in times of crisis. The Ohio Department of Health recognizes that need, and this grant shows how serious we are about working to keep all of our citizens as healthy as possible.”

The Pandemic Influenza Program is awarding grants to prepare what Director of Health Alvin D. Jackson calls a “targeted, layered community containment plan.”