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Seasonal Influenza

SEASONAL VACCINE SUPPLY UPDATE

MDCH has heard from some health care providers and other immunization providers who are frustrated because they are not currently able to obtain seasonal influenza vaccine. Please see the CDC document included with this version of FluBytes for the latest updates on seasonal flu vaccine supply.

In addition, Michigan has [posted information](#) for consumers and healthcare providers who are asking for information on where to find flu vaccine.

Seasonal and 2009 H1N1 Influenza

NEW GUIDANCE

On October 9, 2009, CDC released the following guidance documents:

- [What You Should Know and Do this Flu Season If You Are 65 Years and Older](#)
- [2009 H1N1 Flu and Seasonal Flu Information for People with Inflammatory Arthritis or Rheumatic Disease](#)
- [2009 H1N1 Flu and Seasonal Flu Information for Rheumatology Health Professionals](#)

2009 Influenza A H1N1

2009 H1N1 VACCINATION PROGRAM

MDCH GUIDANCE AND RESOURCES

Visit the clinician H1N1 influenza information section of MDCH's 2009 H1N1 website for the latest updates to the [H1N1 Vaccine Provider Toolkit](#).

Documents posted this week include:

- Contents of the 2009 H1N1 influenza vaccine ancillary supply kits
- Configuration details (including box dimensions) for all types of H1N1 vaccines to be distributed

MDCH recently developed two H1N1 informational documents for pregnant women. MDCH will print and distribute [these documents](#) to Ob-Gyn doctors; Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) offices; and Maternal Infant Health Program (MIHP) offices around the state in the next two weeks.

The updated Vaccine Information Statements (VIS) in different languages have been [posted on the MDCH website](#). In Michigan, it is important that vaccine recipients, their parents, or their legal representatives be given the Michigan versions of VIS because they include information about the Michigan Care Improvement Registry (MCIR). By state law in Michigan, parents must be informed about MCIR.

2009 H1N1 VACCINE INFORMATION CONTINUED

UPDATED GUIDANCE ON 2009 H1N1 VACCINE

On October 16, 2009, CDC updated the following guidance documents:

[Q&A: 2009 H1N1 Influenza Vaccine](#)

[Allocation and Distribution Q&A](#)

RECENT 2009 H1N1 VACCINE IN THE NEWS

[NIH Prepares to Launch 2009 H1N1 Influenza Vaccine Trial in People with Asthma](#)

[NIH Launches 2009 H1N1 Influenza Vaccine Trial in HIV-Infected Pregnant Women](#)

CLINICAL CHARACTERISTICS OF 2009 H1N1

JOURNAL ARTICLES

On Monday, October 12, 2009 a collection of new studies published in the *Journal of the American Medical Association* demonstrate the ability of the pandemic H1N1 virus to make some people desperately sick and is raising questions about the potential strain on critical-care resources this fall and winter. Click on the following titles to read the full-text article:

- [Critically Ill Patients With 2009 Influenza A\(H1N1\) Infection in Canada](#)
- [Critically Ill Patients With 2009 Influenza A\(H1N1\) Infection in Mexico](#)
- [Extracorporeal Membrane Oxygenation for 2009 Influenza A\(H1N1\) Acute Respiratory Distress Syndrome](#)
- [Preparing for the Sickest Patients With 2009 Influenza A\(H1N1\)](#)

RECENT CLINICAL NEWS

[H1N1 sends healthy adults to hospital](#)

EPIDEMIOLOGY OF 2009 H1N1

RECENT NEWS

[Earlier Flu Viruses Provided Some Immunity To Current H1N1 Influenza, Study Shows](#)

[Pediatric H1N1 deaths already rival seasonal flu total](#)

UPDATES ON ANTIVIRALS

UPDATED GUIDANCE

On October 14, 2009, CDC posted the following guidance document:

[2009 H1N1 and Seasonal Flu: What You Should Know About Flu Antiviral Drugs](#)

RECENT NEWS

[FDA faces decision about use of peramivir for H1N1](#)

[FDA MedWatch - Relenza \(zanamivir\) Inhalation Powder must not be reconstituted in liquid formulation or used in any nebulizer or mechanical ventilator](#)

INFECTION CONTROL

On October 14, 2009, CDC updated the following guidance documents:

- [Interim Guidance on Infection Control Measures for 2009 H1N1 Influenza in Healthcare Settings, Including Protection of Healthcare Personnel](#)
- [Questions and Answers about CDC's Interim Guidance on Infection Control Measures for 2009 H1N1 Influenza in Healthcare Settings, Including Protection of Healthcare Personnel](#)
- [Questions and Answers Regarding Respiratory Protection For Preventing 2009 H1N1 Influenza Among Healthcare Personnel](#)

RECENT NEWS

On October 14, 2009, the US Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) posted a [news release](#) on H1N1-related inspections.

VACCINE SAFETY OF 2009 H1N1

On October 14, 2009, CDC updated the following guidance documents:

[General Questions and Answers on 2009 H1N1 Influenza Vaccine Safety](#)

For the latest information on the clinical trials being conducted on 2009 H1N1, click [here](#).

RECENT NEWS

The following OP-ED by Dr. Paul Offit was printed in the NY Times on October 11, 2009: [Nothing to Fear but the Flu Itself](#)

Flu Resources

Podcast: Take 3 Actions to Fight Flu

<http://www2c.cdc.gov/podcasts/player.asp?f=102172>

Michigan's H1N1 influenza web page:

www.michigan.gov/h1n1flu

CDC's H1N1 influenza web page: www.cdc.gov/H1N1flu

World Health Organization's H1N1 web page:

<http://www.who.int/csr/disease/swineflu/en/index.html>

Immunization Action Coalition H1N1 influenza web page:

<http://www.immunize.org/h1n1/>

Click [here](#), to access the Lancet's H1N1 Resource Centre which is the result of a collaborative effort by the editors of over 40 journals and 11 learned societies.

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