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2009 H1N1 & Seasonal Influenza

Key Points - 2009 H1N1 & Seasonal Influenza - Oct 09

- The 2009 H1N1 vaccine situation changes rapidly – throughout each day, vaccine is being shipped from the vaccine manufacturers to McKesson distribution centers; orders are coming into McKesson; orders are being processed and shipped; and vaccine is arriving in thousands of places across the country.
- McKesson, the distributor for the 2009 H1N1 vaccine, is increasing the number of delivery sites from 90,000 to 150,000.
- As of Friday, October 9, all states and the District of Columbia have placed orders for 2009 H1N1 vaccine, and more orders are expected daily.
- While the national picture reveals good supply and rapid distribution, local areas may not have received as much seasonal vaccine as they anticipated at this point in the season and providers seeking additional vaccine now may be unable to purchase it. For more information about seasonal supply, please refer to IVATS (<http://www.preventinfluenza.org/ivats/>) over the coming weeks.
- Approximately 77 million doses of seasonal flu vaccine have been distributed, as of October 2, 2009. This is approximately 61% of the doses that are expected to be distributed for this season.

2009 H1N1 Influenza Resources

2009 H1N1 Influenza: Resources for Clinicians - CDC - Oct 09

This page is designed to give clinicians access to the latest guidelines and information on the evolving novel H1N1 influenza investigation.

<http://www.cdc.gov/h1n1flu/clinicians/>

People at High Risk of Developing Flu-Related Complications - CDC - Oct 08

Most people who get the flu (either seasonal or 2009 H1N1) will have mild illness, will not need medical care or antiviral drugs, and will recover in less than two weeks.

<http://www.cdc.gov/h1n1flu/highrisk.htm>

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services and the Ad Council Launch National Campaign to Help Prevent the Spread of the H1N1 Flu Virus - HHS - Oct 08

Health and Human Services Secretary Kathleen Sebelius announced that the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) is joining with the Ad Council to launch a series of national television public service advertisements (PSAs) designed to encourage Americans to take steps to protect themselves from the 2009 H1N1 flu virus.
<http://www.hhs.gov/news/press/2009pres/10/20091008d.html>

Interim Novel Influenza A (H1N1) Guidance for Cruise Ships - CDC - Oct 05

This document provides updated interim guidance for crew members and passengers of cruise ships originating from or stopping in ports in areas affected by the novel H1N1 influenza virus outbreak. It will be updated as needed.
<http://www.cdc.gov/h1n1flu/guidance/cruiseships.htm>

Interim Guidance for Airlines Regarding Flight Crews Arriving from Domestic and International Areas Affected by Swine Influenza - CDC - Oct 05

This document has been updated in accordance with the CDC Recommendations for the Amount of Time Persons with Influenza-Like Illness Should be Away from Others . This document provides interim guidance and will be updated as needed.
<http://www.cdc.gov/h1n1flu/guidance/air-crew-dom-intl.htm>

Healthcare Providers and Facilities - Decision Tree for 2009 H1N1 Vaccination - CDC - Oct 05

Purpose of this document is to provide a decision tool for providers and healthcare facilities.
<http://www.cdc.gov/H1N1flu/vaccination/decisiontree.htm>

Influenza Vaccination

Simplified Chinese translation of "Vaccine Information Statement (VIS) for Live, Intranasal 2009 H1N1 Influenza Vaccine" (PDF) - CDC - Oct 08

Explains to vaccine recipients, their parents, or their legal representatives both the benefits and risks of the vaccine.
<http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/pubs/vis/downloads/vis-laiv-h1n1-ch.pdf>

Simplified Chinese translation of "Vaccine Information Statement (VIS) for Inactivated 2009 H1N1 Influenza Vaccine" (PDF) - CDC - Oct 08

Explains to vaccine recipients, their parents, or their legal representatives both the benefits and risks of the vaccine.
<http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/pubs/vis/downloads/vis-inact-h1n1-ch.pdf>

Influenza Diagnostic Testing

Interim Guidance for Influenza Surveillance: Prioritizing RT-PCR Testing in Laboratories - CDC - Oct 09

Based on the continuing spread of 2009 H1N1 virus since the spring and continuing into the fall and increased demand for influenza testing, these guidelines have been developed in an effort to prioritize patients for testing by RT-PCR for influenza for surveillance purposes.
<http://www.cdc.gov/h1n1flu/screening.htm>

Influenza Patient Educational Material

2009 H1N1 and Seasonal Flu: What You Should Know About Flu Antiviral Drugs - CDC - Oct 08

<http://www.cdc.gov/h1n1flu/antivirals/geninfo.htm>

HHS Unveils New Features on Flu.gov - HHS - Oct 07

HHS Secretary Kathleen Sebelius unveiled several new resources on the federal government's one-stop resource for flu information - www.flu.gov. The Web site now features a new *H1N1 Flu Self-Evaluation* guide for adults 18 and older along with a new *Flu Myths and Facts* section, which provides the public with the latest and most accurate information about the flu.
<http://www.hhs.gov/news/press/2009pres/10/20091007a.html>

Flu information; Protect your child; If your child is sick - CDC - Oct 06

http://www.cdc.gov/flu/freeresources/2009-10/pdf/pan_flu_flier.pdf

2009 H1N1 Flu Situation Update - CDC - Oct 09

This page also includes current information on the US Seasonal Influenza Weekly Report (Flu View) and the Weekly US Map.
<http://www.cdc.gov/h1n1flu/update.htm>

Emergency Preparedness and Response

Updated Guidance on Pandemic Preparedness in the Workplace from the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission - EEOC - Oct 06

http://www.eeoc.gov/facts/pandemic_flu.html

Deputy Secretary Lute Discusses H1N1 Coordination with Mexican and Canadian Counterparts in Mexico City - DHS - Oct 05

Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Deputy Secretary Jane Holl Lute joined her Mexican and Canadian counterparts in Mexico City to discuss continued collaboration to confront the spread of global H1N1 flu and further develop cooperative efforts to inform and educate the public in preparation for the fall H1N1 season.

http://www.dhs.gov/ynews/releases/pr_1254838543389.shtm

Food and Safety Update

FDA Awards \$17.5 Million in Grants to Further Food and Feed Safety - FDA - Oct 09

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration announced that it has awarded 83 grants in FY2009 totaling \$17.5 million to state and local regulatory agencies to boost food and feed safety initiatives among federal, state, and local partners.

<http://www.fda.gov/NewsEvents/Newsroom/PressAnnouncements/ucm186150.htm>

USDA Joins FDA Efforts on New Food Safety Regulations - HHS - Oct 05

USDA's fresh produce chief will join FDA to help develop new food safety rules, as part of a cooperative initiative between FDA and the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA).

<http://www.fda.gov/NewsEvents/Newsroom/PressAnnouncements/ucm185278.htm>

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