



## CDC Updates for Clinicians

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The following updates were made to CDC information and guidance from **Oct 13 - Oct 19, 2009**. If you have any questions on these or other clinical issues, please write to us at [coca@cdc.gov](mailto:coca@cdc.gov).

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## COCA Conference Calls

### **Title: Pediatric COCA Call: A flu update and tools to help you treat and triage your patients**

Date and times: Tuesday, October 20, 2009 at 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM ET

Call - in number: 888-283-2960

Passcode: 7886777

Additional information including speakers will be available soon.

### **Title: Pandemic Influenza A (H1N1) in Critically Ill Pediatric Patients**

Date and Time: Wednesday, October 21, 2009 from 3-4 PM ET

More information to follow.

## Novel H1N1 & Seasonal Influenza

### **Key Points - 2009 H1N1 & Seasonal Influenza - Oct 16**

- CDC is working with manufacturers, states, and immunization providers to identify existing seasonal flu vaccine and get it to providers who can administer vaccine to people who need and want it.
- Two systems that look at seasonal influenza vaccinations administered and billed show that many more individuals have been vaccinated this season than at the same time last year. This is most likely due to the early availability of vaccine.

### **2009 H1N1 Flu Situation Update - CDC - Oct 16**

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>

## Influenza Vaccination

### **2009 H1N1 Influenza Vaccine Supply Status - CDC - Oct 16**

<http://www.cdc.gov/h1n1flu/vaccination/vaccinesupply.htm>

### **Questions & Answers 2009 H1N1 Influenza Vaccine - CDC - Oct 16**

[http://www.cdc.gov/h1n1flu/vaccination/public/vaccination\\_qa\\_pub.htm](http://www.cdc.gov/h1n1flu/vaccination/public/vaccination_qa_pub.htm)

### **Allocation and Distribution Q&A - CDC - Oct 14**

The purpose of this document is to provide information on plans for allocation and distribution of 2009 H1N1 vaccine. This document has been updated with additional information about the distribution process.

[http://www.cdc.gov/H1N1flu/vaccination/statelocal/centralized\\_distribution\\_qa.htm](http://www.cdc.gov/H1N1flu/vaccination/statelocal/centralized_distribution_qa.htm)

## **Influenza Patient Educational Material**

### **2009 H1N1 Flu Vaccine: It Takes Two - CDC - Oct 15**

Get your child a second 2009 H1N1 flu vaccine dose.

[http://www.cdc.gov/h1n1flu/pdf/CS207824A\\_ItTakesTwo\\_youth4\\_PRESS.pdf](http://www.cdc.gov/h1n1flu/pdf/CS207824A_ItTakesTwo_youth4_PRESS.pdf)

## **2009 H1N1 Influenza Resources**

### **Antiviral Drugs for the 2009-2010 Influenza Season (Podcast) - CDC - Oct 19**

This podcast discusses the use of antiviral drugs for the treatment and prevention of influenza, including 2009 H1N1, during the 2009-2010 influenza season.

<http://www2c.cdc.gov/podcasts/player.asp?f=175219?>

### **Updated Interim Recommendations for the Use of Antiviral Medications in the Treatment and Prevention of Influenza for the 2009 - 2010 Season - CDC - Oct 16**

This document has been updated to include the following:

- Clarify treatment and chemoprophylaxis considerations for persons vaccinated with the 2009 H1N1 and seasonal influenza vaccines.

- Include women up to 2 weeks postpartum at higher risk for complications from 2009 H1N1 influenza.

- Provide additional oseltamivir dosing instructions for children younger than 1 year of age.

- Review adverse events and contraindications associated with oseltamivir and zanamivir

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

### **2009 - 2010 Influenza Season Triage Algorithm for Children (< 18 years) with Influenza-Like Illness - CDC - Oct 16**

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

### **2009 H1N1 Flu (referred to as “swine flu” early on) and Seasonal Flu Information for People with Inflammatory Arthritis or Rheumatic Disease - CDC - Oct 16**

People with certain types of arthritis, called inflammatory or systemic arthritis or autoimmune rheumatic disease, have a higher risk of getting flu-related complications, such as pneumonia.

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

### **Recommendations for Use of Antiviral Medications for the Management of Influenza in Children and Adolescent for the 2009 - 2010 Season - Pediatric Supplement for Health Care Providers - CDC - Oct 16**

These supplemental recommendations are provided to health care providers of children and adolescents on the use of antiviral medications for the treatment and chemoprophylaxis of influenza including 2009 H1N1 influenza infection and seasonal influenza.

[http://www.cdc.gov/h1n1flu/recommendations\\_pediatic\\_supplement.htm](http://www.cdc.gov/h1n1flu/recommendations_pediatic_supplement.htm)

## **Emergency Preparedness and Response**

### **Novel H1N1 Flu: Global Situation - CDC - Oct 16**

Novel H1N1 flu cases have been reported in many countries around the world, with most of the cases being reported from the United States, Mexico, and Canada. Overall, the numbers of new cases of novel H1N1 flu in Mexico and the United States appears to be declining. However, outbreaks continue to be reported in some communities.

<http://wwwnc.cdc.gov/travel/content/outbreak-notice/novel-h1n1-flu-global-situation.aspx>

### **WHO Pandemic (H1N1) 2009 briefing - WHO - Oct 16**

To gather information about the clinical features and management of pandemic influenza, WHO hosted a three-day meeting at the headquarters of the Pan American Health Organization in Washington, DC on 14–16 October.

Findings and experiences were presented by around 100 clinicians, scientists, and public health professionals from the Americas, Europe, Asia, Africa, the Middle East and Oceania.

[http://www.who.int/csr/disease/swineflu/notes/h1n1\\_clinical\\_features\\_20091016](http://www.who.int/csr/disease/swineflu/notes/h1n1_clinical_features_20091016)

## Food and Drug Safety Update

### FDA Approves New Vaccine for Prevention of Cervical Cancer - FDA - Oct 16

The FDA approved Cervarix, a new vaccine to prevent cervical cancer and precancerous lesions caused by human papillomavirus (HPV) types 16 and 18. The vaccine is approved for use in girls and women ages 10 years through 25 years.

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

### FDA Warns of Unapproved and Illegal H1N1 Drug Products Purchased Over the Internet - FDA - Oct 15

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration has warned consumers to use extreme care when purchasing any products over the Internet that claim to diagnose, prevent, treat or cure the H1N1 influenza virus. The warning comes after the FDA recently purchased and analyzed several products represented online as Tamiflu (oseltamivir), which may pose risks to patients.

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

### Fraudulent H1N1 Products Widget - FDA - Oct 14

Place this Fraudulent H1N1 Products Widget on your Web site, portal home page, or in your blog to allow you and your visitors to search for Fraudulent H1N1 Products.

<http://www.fda.gov/NewsEvents/PublicHealthFocus/ucm186340.htm>

### Relenza (zanamivir) Inhalation Powder - FDA - Oct 10

GlaxoSmithKline (GSK) and FDA notified healthcare professionals of a report of the death of a patient with influenza who received Relenza (zanamivir) Inhalation Powder which was solubilized and administered by mechanical ventilation. Relenza (zanamivir) Inhalation Powder is not intended to be reconstituted in any liquid formulation and is not recommended for use in any nebulizer or mechanical ventilator.

<http://www.fda.gov/Safety/MedWatch/SafetyInformation>

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