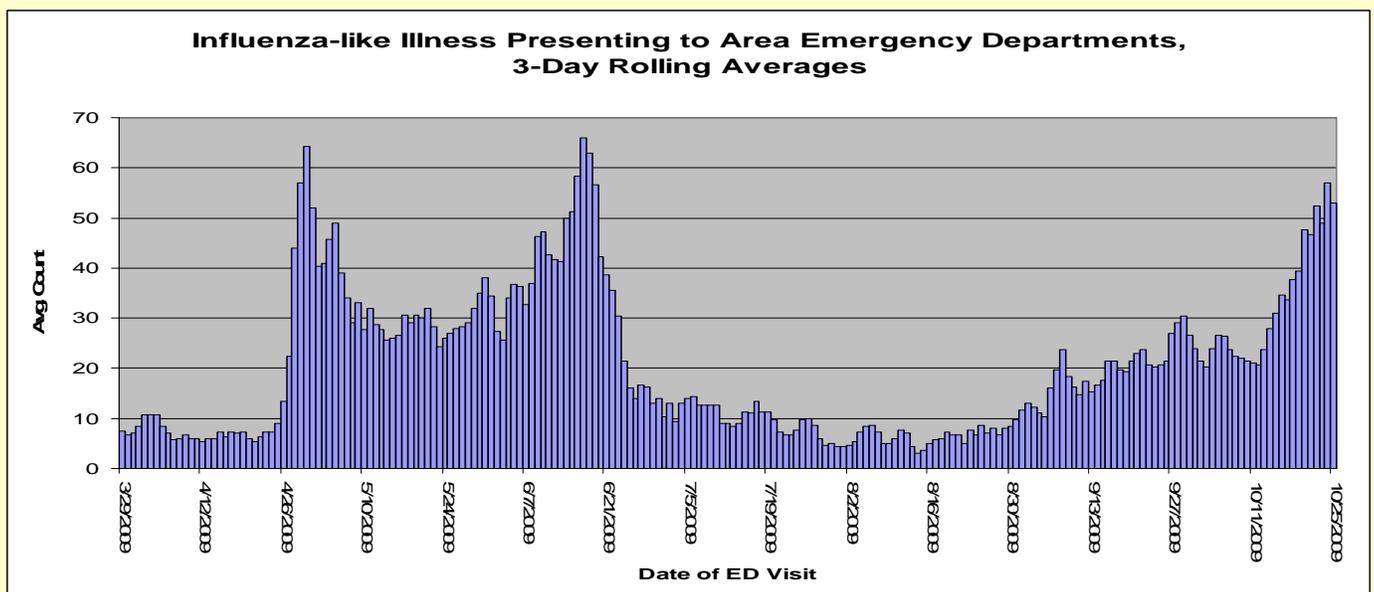


MHD provides key stakeholders with weekly 2009 Influenza A (H1N1) situational reports to summarize the latest updates regarding the MHD, State of Wisconsin Department of Health Services and the Centers for Disease Control & Prevention (CDC) response to 2009 Influenza A (H1N1).

## New Key Developments

1. Due to the delays in vaccine distribution, MHD announced an additional 2009 Influenza A (H1N1) mass vaccination clinic for October 30, 2009 from 2 – 7 p.m. at Sara Scott Complex (1017 N. 12<sup>th</sup> Street – entrance is located at 13<sup>th</sup> and Highland) that will be targeted to a very select group of individuals in the target groups who can receive the nasal spray variety of 2009 Influenza A (H1N1) vaccine. Those specific groups are:
  - Healthy children 2 to 4 years of age
  - Individuals 5 to 49 years of age with no underlying medical conditions who are household contacts and/or caregivers to an infant less than 6 months of age
  - Healthcare workers 49 years of age and younger with no underlying medical conditions who have direct contact with patients or infectious materials
2. Since September 1, 2009 there has been 2 deaths reported within Milwaukee County due to 2009 Influenza A (H1N1) virus.
3. MHD continues to identify increased levels of emergency department visits for influenza like illness (fever plus cough or sore throat) and current levels are near the levels experienced during first wave in the spring of 2009.



## 2009 Influenza A (H1N1) Surveillance

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- The MHD Laboratory has identified a substantial increase in the percent positivity rate for samples being tested for the 2009 Influenza A (H1N1) virus within the past 2 weeks
- 46 states are now reporting widespread activity of ILI (including Wisconsin), and the CDC is reporting that all subtyped influenza A viruses being reported to the CDC during the week of October 4<sup>th</sup> – October 10<sup>th</sup> continued to be 2009 Influenza A (H1N1)

## MHD Activities

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- MHD's vaccine consent forms (available in English and Spanish) are now available for download through our website ([www.milwaukee.gov/flu](http://www.milwaukee.gov/flu)); this form can be printed and filled out prior to attending a City of Milwaukee Health Department 2009 Influenza A (H1N1) mass vaccination clinic to speed up the process

## 2009 Influenza A (H1N1) Vaccine

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- Do to current delays in vaccine distribution, MHD will follow the CDC Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) guidelines for 2009 Influenza A (H1N1) on which target groups should receive vaccine during times when vaccine supplies limited; these target groups are:
  - Pregnant women
  - Individuals who live with or provide care for infants less than 6 months of age
  - Healthcare and emergency medical services personnel who have direct contact with patients or infectious materials
  - Children aged 6 months to 4 years of age
  - Children and adolescents age 5 to 18 years of age who have chronic medical condition that put them at higher risk for influenza-related complications

## Additional Resources and Information

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- Internet Based
  - [www.milwaukee.gov/flu](http://www.milwaukee.gov/flu)
  - [www.pandemic.wisconsin.gov](http://www.pandemic.wisconsin.gov)
  - [www.cdc.gov/h1n1flu](http://www.cdc.gov/h1n1flu)
- Phone Based
  - 211

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