

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

New Key Developments

1. **“Flu News You Can Use” - the MHD Influenza A (H1N1) Situational Awareness Reports - will no longer be issued on a routine schedule. Should a resurgence or third wave of 2009 Influenza A (H1N1) occur; the MHD will resume issuing situational awareness reports. Thank you all for your continued support of the MHD and community during continued planning and response to 2009 Influenza A (H1N1).**
2. **The CDC is currently estimating from April 2009 through January 16, 2010 there have been between 41 million and 84 million cases, between 183,000 and 378,000 hospitalizations and between 8,330 and 17,160 deaths. For complete information on the CDC’s estimates, see: http://www.cdc.gov/h1n1flu/estimates_2009_h1n1.htm.**
3. **MHD requests broad public and sector feedback regarding the Fall pandemic influenza response including comments on public vaccination clinics, public health surveillance, media coverage, communications from MHD or any other component of response locally, regionally or state-wide. Please send all comments and feedback to either the appropriate sector liaisons listed below or to Mat Wolters, Pandemic Influenza Coordinator at mwolte@milwaukee.gov or addressed to Mat Wolters at 841 N. Broadway, 3rd Floor, Milwaukee, WI 53202.**

2009 Influenza A (H1N1) Surveillance

- Since September 1, 2009 there have been 220 reported hospitalizations (individuals hospitalized for 24 hours or greater) in Milwaukee County and 1077 in Wisconsin due to 2009 Influenza A (H1N1). This compares to 205 hospitalizations in Milwaukee County and 239 in Wisconsin due to 2009 Influenza A (H1N1) during spring/summer 2009.
- Since the last MHD Situational Report, there have been no additional deaths reported in Wisconsin due to 2009 Influenza A (H1N1). There have been 56 deaths due to 2009 Influenza A (H1N1) in Wisconsin since the spring of 2009, with 9 of those deaths occurring within the City of Milwaukee.
- WDHS’ weekly surveillance report for the week of February 7th – February 13th identifies that the State of Wisconsin and its Southeast Region are currently experiencing low levels of influenza-like illness activity, and that 2009 Influenza A (H1N1) remains the predominant influenza virus circulating within Wisconsin.
- According to the CDC no states reported widespread influenza activity, 3 states reported regional activity, 9 states reported local activity, 35 states reported sporadic activity (including Wisconsin), and 3 states reported no activity for the week of February 7th – February 13th.

- According to the CDC, there were 2 pediatric deaths reported nationwide during the week of February 7th – February 13th due to 2009 Influenza A (H1N1); this brings the total US pediatric deaths associated with 2009 Influenza A (H1N1) to 277 deaths since Spring.
- Public health officials, including MHD, WDHS and CDC continue to monitor influenza activity closing, watching for a potential “third wave” in the coming months. Officials also expect 2009 Influenza A (H1N1) to be the predominant circulating strain of influenza next fall (barring a significant mutation). Further, some estimates suggest that over half of American have not yet become ill from or have been vaccinated against 2009 Influenza A (H1N1) and therefore remain susceptible. For all of these reasons, vaccination remains an important public health prevention strategy.

2009 Influenza A (H1N1) Vaccine

- MHD still strongly recommends vaccination against 2009 Influenza A (H1N1) for all members of the public to protect individual health and to prevent the spread of illness within the community. MHD continues to make 2009 Influenza A (H1N1) Vaccine available at regularly scheduled MHD Walk-In Clinics:
 - Southside Health Center (1639 S. 23rd St.) → Mondays (3 pm to 6 pm) and Tuesdays (1 pm to 4 pm)
 - Northwest Health Center (7630 W. Mill Rd.) → Wednesdays (3 pm to 6 pm) and Thursdays (8 am to 11 am)
 - Keenan Health Center (3200 N. 36th St.) → Fridays (8 am to 11 am)
- Additional 2009 Influenza A (H1N1) vaccination opportunities may be available in southeastern Wisconsin and can be located by searching for vaccination clinics using 211’s vaccine locator: <http://wisconsinfluclinic.info/>.
- The composition of trivalent influenza vaccine for the 2010-2011 influenza season – and whether or not that vaccine contains a component against 2009 Influenza A (H1N1) – is likely to be announced by CDC and the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) in the coming weeks.

Additional Resources

- Internet Based
 - www.milwaukee.gov/flu
 - www.pandemic.wisconsin.gov
 - www.wisconsinfluclinic.info
 - www.cdc.gov/h1n1flu
- Phone Based
 - 211

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