

# ODH DOC SITUATION REPORT

Event Type: Public Health Emergency

Operational Period: October 7 through October 13 2009

## Ohio Public Health Situation

**Disaster/Hazard/Disease Type:** H1N1

**WHO Phase:** 6 - Widespread Human Infection

**Governor Emergency Proclamation:** Yes, on October 7, 2009

**State EOC:** CAS Level 1

**ESF 8 Desk Staffed:** NO (on standby)

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**ODH ICS activated:** YES IC: Roger Suppes

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**ODH DOC activated:** YES POC: Jeff Jones

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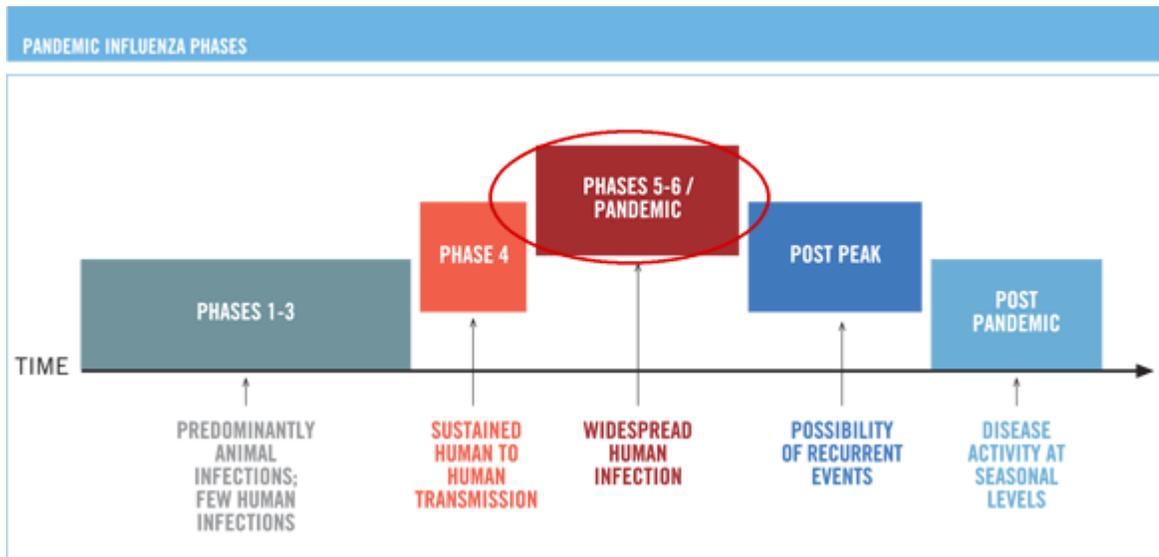
**OHIO H1N1 DEATHS:**

- **CONFIRMED (4)**

World Health Organization:

As of 27 September 2009, worldwide there have been more than 340,000 laboratory confirmed cases of pandemic influenza H1N1 2009 and over 4100 deaths reported to WHO.

The current WHO phase of pandemic alert is 6.



### Current Status:

The Ohio Department of Health has activated the ODH Incident Command System (ICS) to manage the fall H1N1 incident. As of October 6<sup>th</sup> the number of ODH activated staff is 85, 19 requested/pending and 11 are out of service.

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The ODH H1N1 Flu Call line received 170 calls on 10/5/09; including voicemails ODH has received a total of 536 since September 23rd.

## **Incident Objectives:**

1. ODH will coordinate, facilitate and provide for the distribution of all H1N1 vaccines, antivirals, and related materials throughout Ohio as made available.
2. ODH will monitor and report school information, community containment, and epidemiological information to develop plans and guidance for Ohio H1N1 response activities.
3. ODH will maintain the H1N1 call center to provide general information to the public as well as both technical and registration assistance to patients and providers.

## **Planning Updates:**

- The Strategic National Stockpile RSS Field Operation's is currently shipping antivirals to all 8 Homeland Security Regions. The following regions have been shipped or are currently in route: Northwest, Northeast, West Central and Northeast Central. Central and Southwest regions' shipments are scheduled to be shipped Thursday, October 8th and Southeast Region's materiel will be shipped on Tuesday, October 13th.

## **Interventions - Related to Prevention & Response:**

- Currently, personal protective measures include: covering your cough, monitoring for fever if ill, eating properly and getting plenty of rest. There are also isolation practices in place for those in institutions who are ill with influenza like illness (referred to as droplet isolation).
- Investigations are ongoing for clusters, outbreaks and hospitalizations.
- Antivirals are currently being distributed across the state to hospitals and county drop sites for treatment.
- It is anticipated that Vaccines will be received in the next day or two and they will be distributed from the ODH Immunization Warehouse. In the future, vaccines will be direct shipped from the pharmaceutical and healthcare distributor McKesson.
- Currently, no schools or public venues are closed.
- There is an increase in influenza activity in the state; however, there is no medical surge response needed at this time. ODH will work with OHA to provide a web teleconference for hospitals to enroll as providers and assist hospital healthcare workers to enroll for vaccination.

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## **Disease Parameters:**

- The Pandemic strain of H1N1 2009 continues to demonstrate symptoms in Individuals much like seasonal influenza. Illness is initially asymptomatic (showing no evidence of disease); progressing to body aches, possible fever, tiredness, and decrease in appetite, upper respiratory symptoms and resolution of illness.
- Some Individuals have progressed to extreme illness. Although this is not common. Individuals are encouraged to see their primary physician if they need treatment or if their illness progresses.

## **Expenditures:**

- The new total for procurement is \$57,185.04, and the payroll is \$30,258.36 (this reflects staff that have entered their time into the MOSS portal on the ICS 252s).

## **Impact on Individuals:**

- Ohio is seeing widespread influenza activity.
- Some individuals who are ill are not requiring prescriptions for antivirals, nor do they require a visit to their physician. There have been deaths associated with influenza like illness and/or pneumonia; thus, Individuals are encouraged to see their primary care physician if symptoms are not resolving with over-the-counter medications.
- Individuals are being advised to not take aspirin for fevers as this can cause other complications with a viral illness such as Reye's syndrome.

## **Resources:**

Additional resources were allotted to support field operations for the SNS program.

## **Incident Potential:**

To be determined

## **Weather and Effects:**

Today we have a high of 70 and a low of 52, 40% chance of storms. The showers and thunderstorms this afternoon and evening could impede transportation of antivirals and PPE's.