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SITUATION REPORT

Report Date: 1100 October 27, 2009

Event Type: Public Health Emergency

Operational Period: October 21 through October 27, 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)	Number: (614) 799-6444
ODH ICS activated: YES IC: Roger Suppes	Number: (614) 752-9871
ODH DOC activated: YES POC: Jeff Jones	Number: (614) 644-3435

World Health Organization:

As of 17 October 2009, worldwide there have been more than 414,000 laboratory confirmed cases of pandemic influenza H1N1 2009 and nearly 5000 deaths reported to WHO.

As many countries have stopped counting individual cases, particularly of milder illness, the case count is significantly lower than the actual number of cases that have occurred. WHO is actively monitoring the progress of the pandemic through frequent consultations with the WHO Regional Offices and member states and through monitoring of multiple sources of data.

Current Status:

- The ODH anticipates receiving 200 pallets of N-95 masks on October 28, 2009.
- President Obama has declared the H1N1 outbreak a national emergency and empowered his health secretary to suspend federal requirements and speed treatment for thousands of infected. The declaration authorized Health and Human Services secretary Kathleen Sebelius to bypass federal rules so health officials can respond more quickly to the outbreak that has killed more than 1,000 people in the US.

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- The ODH H1N1 GENERAL flu information line received 1,084 calls on 10/26/09.

Incident Objectives:

1. Order & Report Vaccine in accordance to the Vaccine Allocation & Ordering Plan.
2. Report Schools & Day Care Centers to the CDC.
3. Track & Report the burn rate of Antivirals & PPEs
4. Provide Information to the Public & Technical Assistance to Providers/Patients for Pre-Registration.
5. Provide Daily Surveillance on Hospitals, Outbreaks and Deaths to PA & CDC.
6. Monitor Med Surge & HAvBed Reporting to CDC
7. Manage daily updates to MOSS Portal
8. Develop N-95 Guidance

Planning Updates:

Preparing H1N1 MOSS/Portal access to external local health departments. OPHCS message will be sent providing access. This was scheduled for Thursday, October 22, 2009.

Disease Parameters:

The influenza A H1N1 pandemic strain circulating in Ohio since April 2009 demonstrates similar characteristics to seasonal influenza with the exception that elderly, above 65, demonstrate less severe illness. ODH is conducting daily surveillance on Hospitals, Outbreaks, and Deaths and reporting them to the CDC by noon Wednesdays.

First Tier priority groups for vaccine include:

- Pregnant women
- Household contacts and caregivers for children younger than 6 months of age
- Health care and emergency medical services personnel
- Children 6 months through 18 years of age, young adults 19 through 24 years
- Persons aged 25 through 64 years who have health conditions associated with higher risk of medical complications from influenza

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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:

As of October 27: The total for procurement is \$420 thousand and the payroll is \$260 thousand (this reflects staff's time entered into the MOSS portal on the ICS 252 electronic forms).

Impact on Individuals:

During the week of October 11-17, 2009, influenza activity continued to increase in the United States as reported in FluView. Flu activity is now widespread in 46 states. Nationwide, visits to doctors for influenza-like-illness are increasing steeply and are now higher than what is seen at the peak of many regular flu seasons. In addition, flu-related hospitalizations and deaths continue to go up nation-wide and are above what is expected for this time of year.

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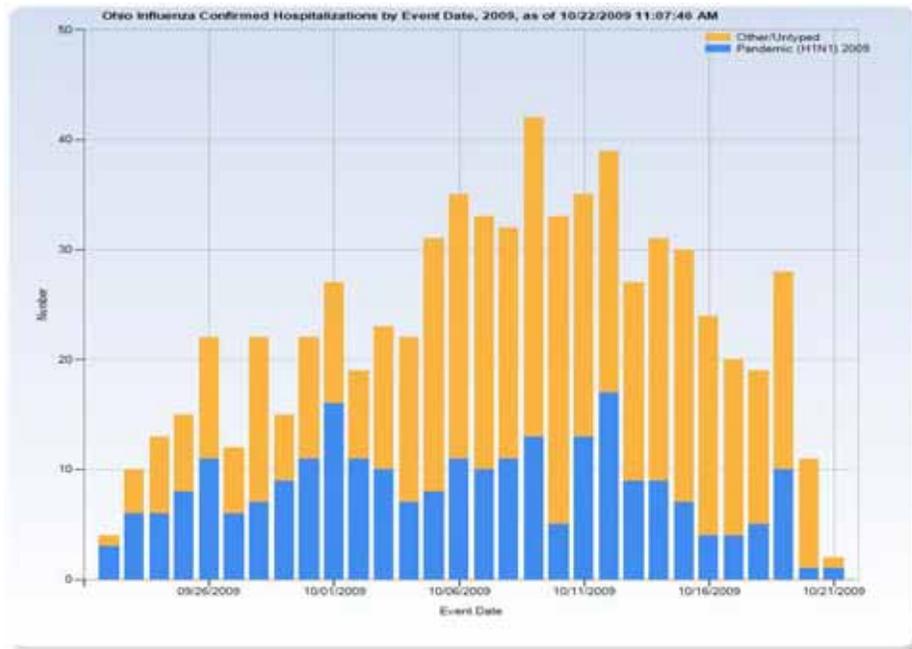


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Resources:

As of October 27th 2009, 404 mobilized personnel (ODH staff).

Incident Potential:

Incident Potential for October 27, 2009: Influenza activity continues to increase but has not peaked. Ohio influenza surveillance remains at "widespread." The predominant strain is the new novel H1N1 nationally. Continue to expect increased need for medical evaluation and care centered in physician offices and ER's with continued hospital admissions and ICU admissions; especially in pediatric facilities.

Weather and Effects:

We anticipate that the 10-day weather forecast will not impede transportation of vaccine and ancillary supplies at this time.