Questions have arisen regarding the screening of Ohio residents, including migrants, for Influenza A H1N1. All residents, including migrants, can be assessed and if determined to be ill with a communicable disease, a specimen can be collected and sent to ODH Lab, working in cooperation with the local health department. No one can be issued a color-coded wrist band denoting results of their testing.

In response to questions on the 1500 Briefing conference call, Jeff Jones has asked that this information be sent out as an OPHCS alert to the local health departments.

Thank you-
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