

# Summary of 2015-16 Hospitalized Influenza Cases in Washtenaw Residents

**Overall:** This was a moderately severe flu season which was dominated by influenza A/H1N1. Influenza B viruses circulated as well, especially in April and May. The season peaked late, starting in January 2016 and extending into June 2016. The vaccine was a decent match this season with a 47% overall vaccine effectiveness reported by the CDC (preliminary data through April 2016).

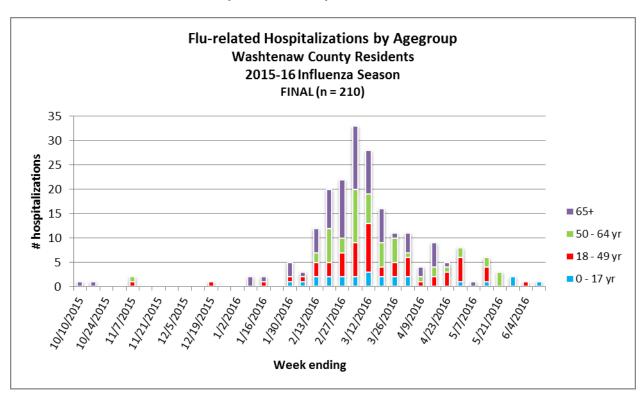
**Flu-related hospitalizations high**. The majority of hospitalizations were in young and middle-aged Washtenaw adults. Flu-related deaths were reported for four adults. Almost all adults hospitalized (91%) had a high-risk underlying health condition. Obesity was the most frequent risk identified at 46% of hospitalized adults, an obesity rate much higher than the overall Washtenaw adult population (22% obese – *HIP Survey 2015*).

**Influenza in Washtenaw children.** Children represented 12% of local flu hospitalizations. However, for 0-4 year olds who are often at higher risk for severe disease, the local rate of hospitalization was 30% lower than the rate in Michigan for this age group in the 2015-16 season. The flu vaccine rate for all Washtenaw children 6 months -4 years was 68%, the highest in Michigan, likely contributing to the lower hospitalization rate.

Total hospitalizations	ICU Admissions	Adult Flu-Associated Deaths*	Child Flu-Associated Deaths
210	17%	4	0

<sup>\*</sup>The deaths were in adults 32 - 85 years of age. Most had high-risk underlying health conditions.

Influenza A was confirmed in all cases.



- ➤ Ages of hospitalized cases (range = 2 months 92 years):
  - $\circ$  0 4 years = 7%
  - $\circ$  5 17 years = 5%
  - $\circ$  18 49 years = 27%
  - $\circ$  50 64 years = 25%
  - o 65 74 years = 18%
  - o 75+ years = 19%

## > Influenza strain of Washtenaw hospitalized cases:

- A (not subtyped) = 50%
- o A/H1N1 = 27%
- o A/H3 = 4%
- o B = 19%

#### ➤ Underlying conditions in flu-related hospitalized cases (children 0 – 17 yrs)

One or more underlying high-risk condition = 72%

## ➤ Underlying conditions in flu-related hospitalized cases (adults 18 years and older)

- One or more underlying high-risk condition (including obesity) = 91%
- o Asthma = 24%
- O Diabetes = 33%
- o Obese (BMI ≥ 30) = 46%
- Pregnancy = 2%

### > Length of hospitalization

Range: 1-58 daysMedian: 3 days

Mean (average): 5 days

% of total hospitalized cases	Area within Washtenaw County		
46%	Ypsilanti (48197, 48198)		
27%	Ann Arbor (48103, 48104, 48105, 48108)		
11%	Saline/Milan/Willis (48176, 48160, 48191)		
10%	Chelsea/Dexter/Manchester (48118, 48130, 48158)		
5%	Whitmore Lake/Northfield/Salem (48189, 48170, 48178)		

#### Race of adult hospitalized patients (n = 182)

- African-American or Black = 25%
- Asian-American = 2%
- Caucasian or White= 72%

### > Flu vaccine status of hospitalized Washtenaw residents

Age group	% vaccinated	% not vaccinated	% vaccine status unknown*
6mo – 17 years	67%	33%	0%
18 – 49 years	23%	27%	50%
50 – 64 years	38%	13%	48%
65 – 74 years	50%	13%	37%
75 yrs and older	59%	13%	28%

<sup>\*</sup>Entry of adult flu vaccine into Michigan Care Improvement Registry (MCIR) is not yet mandatory