

Flu Update

October 2, 2009

Washtenaw County Influenza Surveillance

- **Lab-confirmed cases:** Reports of confirmed influenza cases in Washtenaw residents have decreased sharply over the past week.
- **Hospitalizations/deaths:** No new hospitalizations have been reported in the past week. No deaths due to the 2009 H1N1 virus have been reported in Washtenaw County residents to date.
- **Local Universities:** UM reports that cases of influenza-like illness are down. No new reports have come from Eastern Michigan.
- **Washtenaw Schools and Childcares:** Rates of respiratory illness continue to increase and are already at moderate levels.

See additional surveillance data on the Public Health website:

http://www.ewashtenaw.org/government/departments/public_health/ph_flusurveillance.html

H1N1 Vaccine Update

- Public Health expects to receive H1N1 FluMist in the coming week. This will be the first available formulation of the vaccine.
- Private providers still have the opportunity to give vaccine. To provide vaccine, storage capacity and MCIR capability are required. Enrollment and vaccine order forms are on the Health Department website. Vaccine allocation will be based on which formulation(s) is/are shipped each week. The link to the enrollment form and vaccine order form: http://www.ewashtenaw.org/government/departments/public_health/news/2009%20news%20stories/5.H1N1_INFORMATIONFOR_PROVIDERS
- H1N1 vaccine is free of charge for everyone. However, administration fees may be charged in some circumstances. Please see the attached guidance.
- The Health Department will not be giving H1N1 vaccine via appointments. Starting in November, numerous vaccine clinics will be held in local schools and at the Health Department. Locations and times will be posted on our website: www.ewashtenaw.org/flu

Revised Testing and Treatment Guidelines

- Revisions have been made to the consensus document. Please see the attached updated guidelines.

For local influenza information, including vaccine enrollment and order forms:

www.ewashtenaw.org/flu