



**DOH SITUATION REPORT # 18**  
*(Prepared by Ops/Log Chief with assistance from Planning Chief)*

**Incident Number and Name**  
Swine Flu Incident Tracking  
09-1178

*(Note: Bold items are new information)*

5/14/09

8:00 AM

Stan Carlton

DATE

TIME

PREPARED BY

**GENERAL SITUATION and AFFECTED JURISDICTIONS:**

The Center for Disease Control (CDC) and the World Health Organization (WHO) report swine influenza (swine flu) has been identified in the United States, Canada, Mexico, and Europe. DOH is working closely with state local health agencies to monitor cases of pneumonia and influenza. Health care providers and laboratories in Washington are watching for influenza, especially in people who traveled to Mexico or other affected areas.

Lab testing found the swine flu virus is susceptible to prescription antiviral drugs – oseltamivir and zanamivir.

WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION (WHO) PANDEMIC FLU ALERT LEVEL: Phase 5

5/11/09 WHO is not recommending travel restrictions related to the outbreak of the influenza A(H1N1) virus.

**FEDERAL:** Public Health Emergency declared on April 26, 2009. (updated as of 9:00 05/07/09)

**CDC:** Emergency Operations Center activated. CDC will provide updated guidance and new information as it becomes available.

**WHO:** 6,497 confirmed cases with 65 deaths in 33 countries, including the United States.

**HHS:** The Secretary's Operation Center (SOC) continues to monitor and provide updates as needed.

**WASHINGTON STATE:**

5/11/09 DOH EOC deactivated as of 0935. The Emergency Preparedness Unit staff will continue to publish a SITREP daily this week. The Public Health Lab and Epidemiology Section continue to run tests and will produce a SITREP each day this week.

5/7/09 The Washington State Department of Health Public Health Lab now has the capacity to do confirmation testing for the H1N1 influenza. It is estimated that they can run 80 to 90 samples per day.

The Public Health Lab is prioritizing samples from counties where there has been no probable or confirmed cases to date or from individuals with certain high risk conditions.

**IMPACTED JURISDICTIONS: 236 confirmed with 10 probable cases in Washington (5/13/09, 13:30)**

**Confirmed and Probable Cases by County**

County	# Probable	# Confirmed	TOTAL
Clark	0	4	4
King	10	162	167
Lewis	0	1	1
Pierce	0	10	10
Skagit	0	1	1
Snohomish	5	48	53
Spokane	0	3	3
Thurston	0	1	1
Whatcom	0	3	3
<b>Yakima</b>		2	2
Unknown	0	1	1

**VIRAL TRANSPORT MEDIA KIT UPDATE:**

As of the end of the shipping day yesterday, Tuesday May 12, 2009:

Kits shipped out during the day: 0

Kits currently in inventory: 1055

DOH: EOC Activation Status: Deactivated 0930, May 11, 2009. Emergency Preparedness Unit staff will continue to monitor the Director, Planning, Ops/Logistic and Finance/Admin EOC email accounts to ensure communication among and between entities and to handle any resource/information requests.

5-7-09 DOC has provided a spread sheet for all facilities located through out the state and noting if they have and on-site pharmacy or not. This information was requested for future planning of the state provided antivirals to state run facilities like prisons and state hospitals.

**OSPI**

OSPI's H1N1 influenza Webpage includes updated contact information for local health jurisdictions, sample letters, multi-language translated fact sheets, family emergency planning guides, and other resources. The website is updated on a regular basis. <http://www.k12.wa.us/HealthServices/H1N1Flu.aspx>.

**Strategic National Stockpile (SNS)** – CDC has released 25% of Washington's allocation of the CDC antiviral stockpile and supplies.

**CASUALTY STATUS:**

**CURRENT CASE SITUATION:**

Washington State	As of 5/12/09 1:15PM	Cumulative
Samples submitted for testing at PHL		1289
Testing completed at DOH PHL*		907
Received specimens that were not testable *		152 *

\* Specimen did not meet collection, labeling, or shipping criteria for testing.

Probable cases (unsubtypable specimens) tested prior to 5/6/09 were sent to CDC for confirmatory testing. PHL is now testing specifically for swine flu, which is a confirmatory test.

<b>Confirmed Cases</b>	236
<b>Probable Cases</b>	10
<b>Total:</b>	246

**United States** (updated 5/14/09, 11:00 am EDT, CDC web site)  
 4,298 confirmed cases of swine flu in 47 states and District of Columbia.

<b>Lab Confirmed</b>	<b>Cases</b>	<b>Deaths</b>
Alabama	41	0
<b>Arkansas</b>	1	0
Arizona	431	0
California	473	0
Colorado	47	0
Connecticut	38	0
Delaware	58	0
Florida	65	0
Georgia	36	0
Hawaii	10	0
Idaho	5	0
Illinois	620	0
Indiana	70	0
Iowa	58	0
Kansas	28	0
Kentucky	13	0
Louisiana	45	0
Maine	13	0
Maryland	28	0
Massachusetts	109	0
Michigan	141	0
Minnesota	34	0
Missouri	20	0
Montana	5	0
Nebraska	23	0
Nevada	25	0
New Hampshire	18	0
New Jersey	12	0
New Mexico	51	0
New York	224	0
North Carolina	12	0
<b>North Dakota</b>	1	0
Ohio	12	0
Oklahoma	22	0
Oregon	94	0
Pennsylvania	50	0
Rhode Island	8	0
South Carolina	34	0

South Dakota	5	0
Tennessee	63	0
Texas	439	2
Utah	80	0
Vermont	1	0
Virginia	20	0
Washington	236	1 (Washington EPI Public Lab, 5/13/09, 13:30hrs, reporting 41 More cases than CDC count)
Washington D.C.	10	
Wisconsin	510	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,339</b>	<b>3 (Includes 41 additional cases from Washington State)</b>

**Case Counts by Country** (updated 5/13/09, 900 PM, PDT. Source: WHO web site, Update #28)

Note: Canadian count includes 92 confirmed cases in British Columbia (as reported by the BC Ministry of Health Services).

<u>Lab Confirmed</u>	<u>Cases</u>	<u>Deaths</u>
Argentina	1	0
Australia	1	0
Austria	1	0
Brazil	8	0
Canada	389	1 (Canada Ministry of Health, May 13, 2009)
China, Hong Kong	4	0
Costa Rica	8	1
Colombia	7	0
Cuba	1	0
Denmark	1	0
El Salvador	4	0
France	14	0
Germany	12	0
Guatemala	3	0
Israel	7	0
Ireland	1	0
Italy	9	0
Japan	4	0
Republic of Korea	3	0
Mexico	2446	60
Netherlands	3	0
New Zealand	7	0
Norway	2	0
Panama	29	0
Poland	1	0
Portugal	1	0
Spain	100	0
Sweden	2	0
Switzerland	1	0
Thailand	2	0
<b>United Kingdom</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Total:</b>	<b>3,145</b>	<b>62</b>

<b>United States</b>	<b>4,339</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>7,484</b>	<b>65</b>
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**HOSPITAL STATUS: 05/13/09 Number Hospitalized 5\***  
 \*Hospitalization status is incomplete as investigations are in progress. The number reported is based on cases with known status, which includes only 121 cases of as of 5/13/09

**LOCAL HEALTH JURISDICTION (LHJ) STATUS:**

5/13/09 A Tracking template has been sent to all LHJ's to track the use of SNS supplies. LHJ's will be providing weekly tracking reports.

5/13/09 DOH continues to provide guidance to LHJs regarding a variety of topics and will continue to develop and provide information as needed.

**Resource Requests:** LHJ requests for specimen transport kits must be submitted through the DOH EOC.

**CURRENT HEALTH and MEDICAL RESPONSE ACTIVITIES (Local)**

**DOH:**

5/14/09 DOH will be working closely with the LHJ's to track the use of the SNS supplies that they have received.

5/1/09: Margaret Hansen, PHEPR At-Risk/Vulnerable Populations Manager is the new DOH lead for schools/OSPI. ([margaret.hansen@doh.wa.gov](mailto:margaret.hansen@doh.wa.gov) or 360.236-4026)

DOH has advised the LHJs they should document all costs for reimbursement purposes, but there is no guarantee that costs will be reimbursed.

LHJs are encouraged to ensure that Public Health Mutual Aid Agreements are in place and used as appropriate.

**Federal:**

Food and Drug Administration's Office of General Counsel confirmed that the CDC's Emergency Use Authorization (EUA) for antiviral drugs will cover state and locally purchased stockpiles. Further EUA guidance will be posted on the CDC webpage <http://www.cdc.gov/swineflu/guidance/>. FDA has requested that reports of adverse reactions to antiviral agents be posted to: [www.fda.gov/medwatch](http://www.fda.gov/medwatch) or 1-800-FDA -1088.

CDC has provided a document: Interim Guidance for Screening for Swine-Origin Influenza A (H1N1) by State and Local Health Departments, Hospitals, and Clinicians in Regions with Few or no Reported Cases of Swine Influenza A (H1N1) the information can be obtained from the CDC webpage: <http://www.cdc.gov/swineflu/screening>

**CURRENT DIVISIONAL RESPONSE STATUS (State)**

DOH has a "Case Count" section on our Web site at [www.doh.wa.gov/swineflu](http://www.doh.wa.gov/swineflu). The reported numbers will reflect samples sent to the Public Health Laboratories. The numbers will be updated each day at 2 p.m.

**Office of the Secretary:**

DOH Communications is conducting periodic conference calls with LHJ communications staff to coordinate public information response.

**Health Services Quality Assurance (HSQA):**

N/A

**Community and Family Health (CFA):**

N/A

**Environmental Health (EH):**

N/A

**Epidemiology Health Statistics and Public Health Laboratories (EHSPHL):**

The Public Health Lab continues to testing for the H1N1 and provide situational updates daily.

**OTHER:**

**WEB SITES:**

CDC: <http://www.cdc.gov/swineflu/>. HIV Information: [http://www.cdc.gov/swineflu/guidance\\_HIV.htm](http://www.cdc.gov/swineflu/guidance_HIV.htm)  
WHO: <http://www.who.int/en/>. Case Counts: [http://www.who.int/csr/don/2009\\_04\\_28/en/index.html](http://www.who.int/csr/don/2009_04_28/en/index.html)  
WA DOH: <http://www.doh.wa.gov/swineflu/default.htm>  
The Retired Volunteer Medical Worker Program (RVMW):  
<http://www.doh.wa.gov/hsqa/Professions/RetiredMedicalWorker/default.htm>.  
Washington Health Volunteers in Emergencies (WAHVE):  
<http://www.doh.wa.gov/phepr/wahve/default.htm>.  
CDC recommendations for school closures is now available at the following website:  
Shortcut to: [http://www.cdc.gov/h1n1flu/K12\\_dismissal.htm](http://www.cdc.gov/h1n1flu/K12_dismissal.htm)  
Public Health is no longer recommending school closures for probable cases. Symptomatic students should not report to school.  
For updated Washington State school closure information check the Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI) website [www.k12.wa.us/healthservices/swineflu.aspx](http://www.k12.wa.us/healthservices/swineflu.aspx)

**FUTURE DOH ACTIONS/PLANNED ACTIONS IN THIS REPORTING PERIOD:**

- Monitor status and provide updates to local jurisdictions as necessary.
- Respond to information and resource requests from local jurisdictions.
- Continue to work with Communications Liaison to coordinate news and media releases.
- Continue planning for distribution of SNS supplies to LHJs.
- Continue to update number of probable and confirmed cases.
- DOH is working with 4 year higher ed and 2 year technical schools on guidance related to the H1N1 event. A meeting is being scheduled to discuss key issues.
- DOH continue to coordinate with local health and tribal representatives on antiviral purchases and general response.
- DOH will be pulling together a thorough after action report to capture what worked and what needs improvement to refine our plans and assist partners with lessons learned. DOH will be using this information to prepare and mitigate issues for a possible resurgence of the flu in the fall.
- DOH is developing long term storage plans for SNS supplies that they are storing for LHJs as well as

providing guidance and support to LHJs on the re-distribution of supplies as the needs arise – particularly pediatric suspension of the antivirals which are slated to expire in Jun3 2009.

- DOH will be exploring a statewide pharmacy mutual aid agreement like the one King County has in place.
- DOH will be working with the business community on updating Pan Flu plans.

**DOH is forming a planning team to develop forward thinking plans and activities to anticipate future needs as this event continues.**

**ANTICIPATED HEALTH and MEDICAL ISSUES:**

**Monitor the situation closely and provide daily situational updates.**

**Forward think about actions to take now to anticipate a resurgence of the flu in the fall.**

Continued requests for information, education, and outreach materials.

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