

Appendix M - Pandemic Influenza Resources

This list, while not comprehensive, offers a starting point for obtaining information on pandemic influenza. Check regularly with local, State and Federal public health experts for additional guidance.

International

Avian Influenza Response from U.S. Agency for International Development
www.usaid.gov/our_work/global_health/home/News/news_items/avian_influenza.html
This site gives information on assistance provided to affected countries.

Interim Guidance for U.S. Citizens Living Abroad
www.cdc.gov/travel/other/avian_flu_ig_americans_abroad_032405.htm
This site from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention provides guidelines and recommendations about HPAI H5N1 for U.S. citizens living overseas.

WHO Pandemic Preparedness
www.who.int/csr/disease/influenza/pandemic/en
This site defines an influenza pandemic, explains how a new influenza virus can cause a pandemic, presents the consequences of an influenza pandemic, explains the global surveillance systems and provides links to other pandemic plans from other nations.

United States International Engagement on Avian and Pandemic Influenza
www.state.gov/r/pa/scp/2006/72923.htm
This fact sheet outlines United States actions to support avian influenza preparedness efforts in at least 53 countries, in collaboration with the World Health Organization (WHO), Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO), the World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) and other international and in-country partners.

National

Altered Standards of Care in Mass Casualty Events: Bioterrorism and Other Public Health Emergencies
Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality Publication No. 05-0043 April 2005
www.ahrq.gov/research/altstand/altstand.pdf

Avian Influenza information from the Department of Agriculture
www.usda.gov/wps/portal/usdahome?navtype=SU&navid=AVIAN_INFLUENZA
This site supplies reports of efforts to protect the United States against highly transmissible forms of avian influenza, via trade restrictions, monitoring and other actions

Avian Influenza information from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
www.cdc.gov/flu/avian

This site presents information on the symptoms, treatment and complications of the disease, prevention and control, the types of influenza viruses, questions and answers on symptoms, vaccination and myths.

Avian Flu information from the Environmental Protection Agency
www.epa.gov/pandemicflu/

This site provides an overview of the Environmental Protection Agency's actions.

Avian Influenza information from the Infectious Diseases Society of America
www.idsociety.org/Content/NavigationMenu/Resources/Avian_Pandemic_Flu/Avian_Pandemic_Flu.htm

This site provides information on pandemic flu from the perspective of the IDSA, a specialty organization for scientists and healthcare professionals with an interest in infectious diseases.

Avian Influenza Fact Sheet

<http://www.cdc.gov/flu/avian/gen-info/facts.htm>

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) *Interim Pre-pandemic Planning Guidance: Community Strategy for Pandemic Influenza Mitigation in the United States*

February 1, 2007

<http://www.pandemicflu.gov/plan/community/commitigation.html>

Emergency Planning: Pandemic from the Department of Education
www.ed.gov/admins/lead/safety/emergencyplan/pandemic/index.html

This site provides tools to assist with disseminating health information, planning for staff and student absences and maintaining a learning environment during a pandemic.

Epi-X: The Epidemic Information Exchange

www.cdc.gov/mmwr/epix/epix.html

This Web-based communications network allows for information exchange among the CDC, State and local health departments, and other public health professionals.

Ethical Guidelines in Pandemic Influenza

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

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www.cdc.gov/od/science/phec/panFlu_Ethic_Guidelines.pdf

This document provides the ethical background used in formulating guidelines related to community mitigation strategies.

Food and Drug Administration Pandemic Influenza WEB site:

<http://www.fda.gov/oc/op/pandemic/default.htm>

Guidance to Travelers

http://www.cdc.gov/travel/other/avian_flu_ah5n1_031605.htm

Health and Human Services (HHS) Pandemic Influenza Plan

November 2005

www.hhs.gov/pandemicflu/plan

HHS Pandemic Planning Updates

Each report provides status on five key planning areas: monitoring and surveillance, vaccines, antiviral medications, State and local preparedness, and communications.

[Update III](#), November 13, 2006

<http://www.pandemicflu.gov/plan/pdf/panflureport3.pdf>

[Update II](#), June 29, 2006

<http://www.pandemicflu.gov/plan/pdf/panflureport2.pdf>

[Update](#), March 13, 2006

<http://www.pandemicflu.gov/plan/pdf/panflu20060313.pdf>

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES Request for Information (RFI): Guidance for Prioritization of Pre-pandemic and Pandemic Influenza Vaccine

<http://aspe.hhs.gov/PIV/RFI/>

Indian Health Services Pandemic Influenza Workbook -- A Planning Guide for American Indian/Alaska Native Communities (2006)

[http://www.ihs.gov/MedicalPrograms/epi/pi/documents/Pandemic Influenza Planning Workbook.pdf](http://www.ihs.gov/MedicalPrograms/epi/pi/documents/Pandemic_Influenza_Planning_Workbook.pdf)

Managing Anxiety in Times of Crisis

<http://mentalhealth.samhsa.gov/cmhs/managinganxiety/default.asp>

National Infrastructure Advisory Council (NIAC)

The Prioritization of Critical Infrastructure for a Pandemic Outbreak in the United States-- Final Report and Recommendations by the Council

January 16, 2007

http://www.dhs.gov/xlibrary/assets/niac/niac-pandemic-wg_v8-011707.pdf

National Vaccine Program Office

www.dhhs.gov/nvpo/pandemics

This site presents an historical overview of pandemics that occurred throughout the past century (Spanish influenza, Asian influenza and Hong Kong influenza), and three influenza scares (swine flu, Russian influenza and avian influenza).

National Strategy for Pandemic Influenza

Implementation Plan for the National Strategy for Pandemic Influenza

<http://www.pandemicflu.gov/plan/federal/index.html>

The National Strategy for Pandemic Influenza, issued by President Bush November 1, 2005, guides our Nation's preparedness and response to an influenza pandemic, with the intent of (1) stopping, slowing or otherwise limiting the spread of a pandemic to the United States; (2) limiting the domestic spread of a pandemic and mitigating disease,

suffering and death; and (3) sustaining infrastructure and mitigating impact to the economy and the functioning of society. The Strategy charges the U.S. Department of Health & Human Services with leading the Federal pandemic preparedness.

National Response Plan

http://www.dhs.gov/xprepresp/committees/editorial_0566.shtm

This Department of Homeland Security site contains a comprehensive all-hazards approach to enhance the ability of the United States to manage domestic incidents. The National Response Plan forms the basis of how the Federal Government coordinates with State, local and tribal governments and the private sector during incidents.

Occupational Safety and Health Administration, U.S. Department of Labor

<http://www.osha.gov/Publications/OSHA3327.pandemic.pdf>

Guidance on preparing workplaces for an influenza pandemic.

Office of Personnel Management, Human Capital Planning for Pandemic Influenza

<http://www.opm.gov/pandemic>

Pandemic Influenza Fact Sheet

<http://www.cdc.gov/flu/avian/gen-info/pandemics.htm>

Pandemic Influenza Preparedness, Response, and Recovery Guide for Critical Infrastructure and Key Resources

www.pandemicflu.gov/plan/pdf/CIKRpandemicInfluenzaGuide.pdf

This guide provides contingency planning process for a pandemic. Also provides business planners with sector-specific and common pandemic information planning variables keyed to escalating disaster phases.

PandemicFlu.gov

www.pandemicflu.gov

The official U.S. government Web site for information on pandemic flu and avian influenza.

Pandemic Influenza information from the Department of Veterans Affairs

www.publichealth.va.gov/flu/pandemicflu.htm

This site lists VA resources on pandemic flu.

Pandemic Influenza Plan from the Department of Health and Human Services

www.hhs.gov/pandemicflu/plan

This site supplies guidance to national, State and local policymakers and health departments, outlining key roles and responsibilities during a pandemic and specifying preparedness needs and opportunities.

Protecting the United States brochure from USDA

www.usda.gov/documents/AvianFluBrochure.pdf

This brochure describes two types of avian influenza and how the USDA is working with agencies nationally and internationally to protect the United States against avian influenza.

Strategic National Stockpile

www.bt.cdc.gov/stockpile

The site provides information on the availability and rapid deployment of life-saving pharmaceuticals, antidotes, other medical supplies, and equipment necessary to counter the effects of nerve agents, biological pathogens and chemical agents.

Regional/Local

American Bar Association – State and Local Government Law Section Checklist for State and Local Government Attorneys to Prepare for Possible Disasters

www.abanet.org/statelocal/disaster.pdf

CDC Cooperative Agreements on Public Health Preparedness

www.bt.cdc.gov/planning/coopagreement

This site provides information on State and local public health preparedness for and response to bioterrorism, other outbreaks of infectious diseases, and other public health threats and emergencies.

Contact Information for State Departments of Agriculture, Wildlife and Public Health

www.pandemicflu.gov/plan/states/statecontacts.html

This site gives contact mail and phone contact information by State. When available, fax numbers and Web addresses are also provided.

Local Health Department Guide to Pandemic Flu Planning

www.naccho.org/topics/infectious/influenza/LHDPanFluGuide.cfm

This guide from the National Association of County and City Health Officials is intended for local health departments (LHDs) to use as part of a multi-sector effort to coordinate planning for and response to a pandemic influenza outbreak.

Pandemic Influenza information from the Association of State and Territorial Health Officials

www.astho.org/templates/display_pub.php?pub_id=1383&admin=1

This site provides access to information and resources for State pandemic planning meetings.

Preparing for a Pandemic Influenza: A Primer for Governors and Senior State Officials

www.nga.org/Files/pdf/0607PANDEMICPRIMER.PDF

from the National Governors Association

Read the National Governors Association report focused on the considerations States must make when developing policies in preparation for a potential pandemic.

Providing Mass Medical Care with Scarce Resources: A Community Planning Guide

www.ahrq.gov/research/mce

Designed for State, local, community and facility planners, this guide discusses ethical and legal issues, and considerations regarding prehospital care, hospital/acute care, palliative care, and alternative care sites. Chapter 8 is a 29-page case study for an influenza pandemic.

State Pandemic Plans

www.pandemicflu.gov/plan/states/stateplans.html

This page provides access to all State pandemic plans that are currently available.

State & Local Pandemic Influenza Planning Checklist

www.pandemicflu.gov/plan/states/statelocalchecklist.html

This site provides checklists and planning guides to help managers prepare for a pandemic.

State Allocations of Antivirals

www.pandemicflu.gov/plan/states/antivirals.html

This site features a chart showing the individual State allocations of antivirals from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services stockpile.

Healthcare Resources

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) *Interim Pre-pandemic Planning Guidance: Community Strategy for Pandemic Influenza Mitigation in the United States*

February 1, 2007

<http://www.pandemicflu.gov/plan/community/commitigation.html>

Development of a triage protocol for critical care during an influenza pandemic Canadian Medical Journal, (175-11), November 21, 2006

By Michael D. Christian, Laura Hawryluck, Randy S. Wax, Tim Cook, Neil M. Lazar, Margaret S. Herridge, Matthew P. Muller, Douglas R. Gowans, Wendy Fortier, Frederick M. Burkle, Jr.

Home Health Care Services Checklist

www.pandemicflu.gov/plan/healthcare/healthcare.html

This checklist identifies specific steps that home health care service providers can take now to prepare for a pandemic.

Hospital Preparedness Checklist

www.hhs.gov/pandemicflu/plan/sup3.html#app2

This checklist can help State and local hospitals prepare for a pandemic.

Long-Term Care and Other Residential Facilities Pandemic Influenza Planning Checklist

www.pandemicflu.gov/plan/healthcare/longtermcarechecklist.html

This checklist identifies key areas: a structure for planning and decision making, and a written plan with subplans.

Medical Offices and Clinics Pandemic Influenza Planning Checklist

www.pandemicflu.gov/plan/healthcare/medical.html

Specific steps are outlined in this checklist that medical offices and clinics, including outpatient care clinics, can take prepare for a pandemic.

Modeling Community Containment for Pandemic Influenza: A Letter Report Committee on Modeling Community Containment for Pandemic Influenza

<http://www.nap.edu/catalog/11800.html>

Pandemic Influenza Toolkit

www.cdc.gov/flu/pandemic/healthprofessional.htm

Prepared by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the toolkit provides resources and information for clinicians to use in discussing pandemic influenza with patients and providing care in case of a flu pandemic in the United States.

Pandemic Flu Planning Guidance for MRC Units

www.medicalreservecorps.gov/POUpdates/PandemicFluGuidance

Read about the pandemic influenza planning guidance for Medical Reserve Corps (MRC) units that help identify specific activities MRC units can do now to prepare for a pandemic.

Public Health Guidance for Community-Level Preparedness and Response to Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome (SARS) Version 2 Supplement I: Infection Control in Healthcare, Home, and Community Settings

Centers for Disease Control and Protection, January 8, 2004

Outlines the infection control recommendations for prevention of SARS-CoV transmission in healthcare, household, and community settings. This and other SARS documents are online at www.cdc.gov/ncidod/sars

The Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality has provided the following sites that may be helpful in the event of a pandemic:

Development of Models for Emergency Preparedness:

www.ahrq.gov/research/devmodels/

Standardized Hospital Bed Definitions:

www.ahrq.gov/research/havbed/definitions.htm

Emergency Preparedness Resource Inventory:

<http://www.ahrq.gov/research/epri>

Reopening Shuttered Hospitals to Expand Surge Capacity:

www.ahrq.gov/research/shuttered/

Recommendations for Altered Standards of Care during a Mass Casualty Event:

www.ahrq.gov/research/altstand/

Computer Staffing Model for Disaster Preparedness Response:

www.ahrq.gov/research/biomodel.htm

Health Emergency Assistance Line and Triage Hub (HEALTH) Model:

www.ahrq.gov/research/health

Alternate Site Locator during Public Health Emergencies:

www.ahrq.gov/research/altsites.htm

Fire and EMS resources

Avian Influenza information from the International Association of Fire Chiefs

www.iafc.org/displaycommon.cfm?an=1&subarticlenbr=191

This site gives firefighters key facts about avian influenza and influenza.

Influenza Pandemic information from the International Association of Fire Fighters

www.iaff.org/safe/content/Avian_Flu/Pan_Flu_Final.htm

This informational bulletin for firefighters provides the basics on avian influenza and pandemic influenza.

Emergency Medical Services and Non-Emergent (Medical) Transport Organizations Pandemic Influenza Planning Checklist

www.pandemicflu.gov/plan/healthcare/emgncymedical.html

EMS and medical transport organizations can use this checklist to help prepare for a pandemic.

National Association of EMS Physicians

www.naemsp.org

NAEMSP offers a “Base Station Course” for EMS medical directors. This course is designed to be of use to all physicians who provide online medical direction to prehospital providers. It is a modular course that can be used in its entirety as the basis for a formal base station course or on a section-by-section basis to augment other educational programs and learning.

Pandemic Influenza Planning Resources from the US Fire Administration

www.usfa.dhs.gov/subjects/ems/pandemicflu/

This site provides planning resources to assist first responders in preparing for a national influenza pandemic.