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The following updates were made to CDC information and guidance from **Dec 28, 2009 - Jan 04, 2010**. If you have any questions on these or other clinical issues, please write to us at coca@cdc.gov.

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2009 Influenza Situation Update

Weekly FluView Map and Surveillance Report - CDC - Dec 31

Updated CDC FluView for 2009-2010 Influenza Season Week 51 ending December 26, 2009. All data are preliminary and may change as more reports are received.

<http://www.cdc.gov/flu/weekly/>

Influenza and Pneumonia-Associated Hospitalizations and Deaths from August 30 to December 26, 2009 - CDC - Dec 31

Flu activity continued to decline in the United States during the week of December 20 - 26, 2009, as reported in FluView. The number of states reporting widespread flu activity decreased from 7 to 4. Visits to doctors for influenza-like illness, flu-associated hospitalizations, and flu-associated deaths overall are unchanged from the previous week.

<http://www.cdc.gov/h1n1flu/updates/us/#totalcases>

Summary of 2009 Monovalent H1N1 Influenza Vaccine Data – Vaccine Adverse Event Reporting System - CDC - Dec 31

CDC and FDA provide weekly updates on vaccine safety monitoring activities. The information summarizes adverse event reports to VAERS after the administration of 2009 H1N1 monovalent influenza vaccine.

http://vaers.hhs.gov/resources/2009H1N1Summary_Dec30.pdf

WHO Updates International H1N1 Situation - WHO- Dec 30

As of 27 December 2009, more than 208 countries and overseas territories or communities have reported laboratory confirmed cases of pandemic influenza H1N1 2009, including at least 12,220 deaths.

http://www.who.int/csr/don/2009_12_30/en/index.html

2009 Influenza Key Points and Messages

- **(New)** One of the many goals for National Influenza Vaccination Week (NIVW) is to engage at-risk audiences who are not yet vaccinated, hesitant about vaccination, or unsure about where to get vaccinated. Every year, certain days of NIVW are designated to highlight the importance for

these at-risk groups to get vaccinated.

- **(Updated)** As of Thursday morning, December 31, 2009, a cumulative pro rata total of 118,241,100 doses had been made available for ordering since vaccine shipping began.
- **(Updated)** As of Wednesday, December 30, 2009, there were a total of 104,349,800 doses ordered.

2009 H1N1 Influenza Resources for Clinicians

National Influenza Vaccination Week - HHS - Jan 02

National Influenza Vaccination Week (NIVW) is a national observance that was established to highlight the importance of continuing influenza vaccination, as well as foster greater use of flu vaccine after the holiday season into January and beyond. This year's NIVW (originally scheduled for December 6-10, 2009) is now rescheduled for January 10-16, 2010. <http://www.flu.gov/news/nivw.html>

CDC would like to hear about the events your organization has planned for National Influenza Vaccination Week. Visit <http://www.cdc.gov/flu/NIVW/form.htm> to submit your event. View other NIVW events, both national and local, at <http://www.flu.gov/news/nivwactivities.html>

See attached PDF for a personal invitation from US Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) Secretary Kathleen Sebelius. (Letter from Secretary Sebelius.pdf)

HHS Secretary Sebelius Unveils New H1N1 Advertisement That Will Air During New Year's College Football Bowl Games - HHS - Dec 31

The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) announced a new H1N1 flu vaccination advertisement that will air during four College Football Bowl Games held over the New Year's holiday. The ad is aimed at encouraging young people and all Americans to get vaccinated against the H1N1 flu. <http://www.hhs.gov/news/press/2009pres/12/20091231a.html>

Caring for Someone Sick at Home - CDC - Dec 28

This flu season could be worse than most flu seasons with more people than usual getting sick. Hospitals and clinics may be much busier than normal, especially with the addition of 2009 H1N1 or "Swine Flu." Learn what you can do to help your family this flu season. <http://www.cdc.gov/Features/HomeCareH1N1/>

Household Transmission of 2009 Pandemic Influenza A (H1N1) Virus in the United States - NEJM - Dec 31

Most people who have 2009 H1N1 influenza are advised to stay home until they have been afebrile for at least 24 hours. This practice puts other household members, who care for the patient when he or she is most infectious, at risk for infection. But so far, neither this risk nor the potential risk factors for transmission has been evaluated in the case of 2009 H1N1 influenza. <http://content.nejm.org/cgi/content/full/361/27/2619>

Emerging Infectious Disease (EID) Journal

The Emerging Infectious Diseases (EID) journal provides recognition of new and re-emerging infections and understanding of factors involved in disease emergence, prevention, and elimination. It also represents the scientific communications component of CDC's efforts against the threat of emerging infections. See the January 2010 issue of the EID journal at the following link: <http://www.cdc.gov/ncidod/EID/index.htm>

Emergency Preparedness & Response

Q & A: Anthrax and Animal Hide Drums - CDC - Dec 31

Updated questions and answers for Anthrax and Animal Hide Drums. Know the facts. Stay safe! <http://emergency.cdc.gov/agent/anthrax/faq/pelt.asp>

DHHS Continues Investigation into New Hampshire Anthrax Case - NH/DHHS - Dec 28

The New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) Division of Public Health Services (DPHS) continues to investigate the source of the anthrax that infected a woman from Strafford County. While the investigation continues, the United Campus Ministry building located in Durham has been closed until further notice.

http://www.dhhs.state.nh.us/DHHS/PIO/LIBRARY/Press+Release/cdcs_anthraxinvestigation

Medical Countermeasures Following a Biological Attack - The White House Press Brief - Dec 30

The Secretaries of Health and Human Services and Homeland Security, in coordination with the U.S. Postal Service, shall establish a national U.S. Postal Service medical countermeasures dispensing model for U.S. cities to respond to a large-scale biological attack, with anthrax as the primary threat consideration.

<http://www.whitehouse.gov/the-press-office/executive-order-medical-countermeasures-following-a-biological-attack>

Food and Drug Safety

Recalls, Market Withdrawals, & Safety Alerts - FDA - Jan 04

For additional information on recent FDA recalls, market recalls & safety alerts please click on the following link: <http://www.fda.gov/Safety/Recalls/default.htm>

Tylenol Arthritis Pain Caplet, 100 count bottles: Recall of all lots - FDA - Dec 31

McNeil Consumer Healthcare and FDA notified consumers that it is expanding a voluntary recall to include all available product lots of TYLENOL Arthritis Pain Caplet 100 count bottles, with the distinctive red EZ-OPEN CAP.

<http://www.fda.gov/Safety/Recalls/ucm195690.htm>

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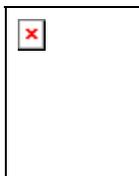
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