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The following updates were made to CDC information and guidance from **June 9-15, 2009**. If you have any questions on these or other clinical issues, please write to us at [coca@cdc.gov](mailto:coca@cdc.gov).

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## Novel H1N1 Influenza

### **World now at the start of 2009 influenza pandemic - WHO - June 11**

On the basis of available evidence and expert assessments of the evidence, the scientific criteria for an influenza pandemic have been met. The Director-General of WHO has therefore decided to raise the level of influenza pandemic alert from phase 5 to phase 6.

[http://www.who.int/mediacentre/news/statements/2009/h1n1\\_pandemic\\_phase6\\_2009](http://www.who.int/mediacentre/news/statements/2009/h1n1_pandemic_phase6_2009)

### **Statements by HHS Secretary Kathleen Sebelius and DHS Secretary Janet Napolitano on WHO Decision to Declare Novel H1N1 Virus Outbreak a Pandemic - June 11**

<http://www.cdc.gov/h1n1flu/statement061109.htm>

### **Novel H1N1 Influenza: Resources for Clinicians - CDC**

This page is designed to give clinicians access to the latest guidelines and information on the evolving novel H1N1 influenza investigation.

<http://www.cdc.gov/h1n1flu/clinicians>

### **Novartis Produces (H1N1) Swine Flu Vaccine - VOA News - June 12**

The Swiss pharmaceutical company Novartis says it has produced a first batch of a vaccine to fight the H1N1 swine flu virus, weeks ahead of expectations.

<http://www.voanews.com/english/2009-06-12-voa12.cfm>

### **Interim CDC Guidance on Day and Residential Camps in Response to Human Infections with the Novel Influenza A (H1N1) Virus - CDC - June 14**

This document provides interim guidance on suggested means to reduce the spread of the novel influenza A (H1N1) virus in day, residential, or overnight camp settings.

<http://www.cdc.gov/h1n1flu/camp.htm>

## Seasonal Influenza

### **Seasonal Influenza Weekly Report: Influenza Summary Update - CDC - June 12**

During week 22 (May 31 – June 6, 2009), influenza activity decreased in the United States, however, there are

still higher levels of influenza-like illness than is normal for this time of year.  
<http://www.cdc.gov/flu/weekly/>

**Weekly US Map - CDC - June 12**  
<http://www.cdc.gov/flu/weekly/usmap.htm>

## Travelers' Health

**Cholera in Zimbabwe and Neighboring Countries - CDC - June 12**  
From August 26, 2008, through June 8, 2009, 98,522 suspected cases and 4,282 deaths have been reported in the country. The worst-affected areas are the capital city of Harare (19,544 cases and 655 deaths), Mashonaland West (22,753 cases and 946 deaths) and Manicaland (13,649 cases and 661 deaths).  
<http://www.cdc.gov/travel/content/outbreak-notice/cholera-zimbabwe.aspx>

## Food & Product Safety

**FDA Warns Consumers Not to Use Skin Products Made by Clarcon Due to Bacterial Contamination Risk Products marketed under various names - FDA - June 8**  
The U.S. Food and Drug Administration announced today that Clarcon Biological Chemistry Laboratory Inc. of Roy, Utah, is voluntarily recalling some skin sanitizers and skin protectants marketed under several different brand names because of high levels of disease-causing bacteria found in the product during a recent inspection. The FDA is warning consumers to not use any Clarcon products.  
<http://www.fda.gov/NewsEvents/Newsroom/PressAnnouncements/ucm164863.htm>

**Surveillance for Foodborne Disease Outbreaks - United States, 2006 - MMWR CDC - June 12**  
Foodborne illnesses are a major health burden in the United States (1). Most of these illnesses are preventable, and analysis of outbreaks helps identify control measures. Although most cases are sporadic, investigation of the portion that occur as part of recognized outbreaks can provide insights into the pathogens, food vehicles, and food-handling practices associated with foodborne infections.  
<http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/preview/mmwrhtml/mm5822a1.htm>

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