

AAP Update on H1N1 Influenza

As many states now have the ability to test and confirm cases of novel H1N1 infection, the ongoing count of confirmed cases has rapidly increased as expected, with 3009 cases reported from 44 states as of May 12 at 11 a.m. ET. In the U.S., 3 deaths have been reported in patients with confirmed infection. All tested strains remain susceptible to oseltamivir (Tamiflu) and zanamivir (Relenza).

AAP has updated its resources on Novel H1N1 influenza (swine influenza) for health care professionals and for parents/caretakers.

The following links have been added:

-- Interim Guidance for Public Gatherings in Response to Human Infections with Novel

Influenza A (H1N1) from the CDC - updated May 10th

-- AAP has developed answers to frequently asked questions for parents/caretakers to

provide up-to-date information on key issues and concerns. These can be downloaded and used in the office - updated May 11th

Latest information about Novel H1N1 influenza and links to the CDC update site, are posted daily on the Academy's Web pages: Information for Health Care Professionals (<http://www.aap.org/new/swineflu.htm>) and Information for Parents and Caregivers (<http://www.aap.org/advocacy/releases/may09swineflu.htm>)

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