

Tuesday, May 19, 2009 H1N1 Update

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Concord, NH – The New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) Division of Public Health Services (DPHS) announced this afternoon that two more New Hampshire residents have been diagnosed with H1N1 (swine) influenza. The newly confirmed cases are a 10 year old from Nashua and a 4 year old from Londonderry. DPHS is investigating both of these cases.

Summary of New Hampshire Cases as of May 19, 2009 ***Twenty-two cases of H1N1 Confirmed in New Hampshire***

- 1) Concord Hospital employee
- 2) Second Concord Hospital employee
- 3) Upper Valley resident
- 4) 3-year-old from greater Nashua area
- 5) 18-year-old Kearsarge High School student
- 6) 15-year-old New Hampton student
- 7) 13-year-old Nashua resident (attends school in Massachusetts)
- 8) 19-year-old Kearsarge High School student
- 9) Second 13-year-old Nashua resident
- 10) Derry resident
- 11) Rochester resident
- 12) 10-year-old Bedford resident
- 13) Nashua resident
- 14) Hudson resident
- 15) 11-year-old Keene resident
- 16) 12-year-old Nashua resident (attends school out of state)
- 17) 7-year-old Upper Valley resident
- 18) 11-year-old Keene resident
- 19) Keene resident
- 20) Adult from Greater Salem area
- 21) 10-year-old Nashua resident
- 22) 4-year-old Londonderry resident

Samples tested

Through Tuesday afternoon, the DHHS Public Health Labs have completed testing on 845 samples. Of these, 801 tested negative for seasonal flu and H1N1, 22 samples tested positive for seasonal flu, and 22 tested positive for H1N1.

DHHS wants to remind everyone to stay home from work or school if you feel sick; cover your mouth and nose with your sleeve when you cough or sneeze; and wash your hands frequently, especially before eating or preparing food. These steps can help prevent the spread of H1N1 flu and many other illnesses.

For questions about H1N1, possible symptoms, travel information, or other issues related to this illness residents can call 1-888-330-6764 between 8:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. daily. For more information on H1N1 flu, visit www.dhhs.nh.gov or the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) at www.cdc.gov/H1N1flu.