



**New South Wales Government**  
Department of Health

## H1N1 Influenza 09 (Human Swine Influenza) investigation

### Advice for clinicians

#### Current suspected case definition:

**A suspected case** of human swine influenza A (H1N1) virus infection is defined as a person with **acute febrile respiratory illness\*** with onset on or after **15 April 2009**

- within 7 days of travel to Mexico, USA or Canada

or

- within 7 days of close contact with a person who is a confirmed case of human swine influenza A (H1N1) virus infection or a suspected case with an influenza A positive test result

\*An acute febrile respiratory illness is defined as a measured temperature of 38°C or greater OR a good history of fever, AND recent onset of one of the following symptoms: rhinorrhoea, nasal congestion, sore throat or cough.

If human swine influenza is suspected, please isolate the patient, notify your [local Public Health Unit](#) immediately.

Where possible [General Practitioners](#) should advise all suspected cases to attend their local emergency departments. Suspected cases should also be advised to call the emergency departments before their arrival.

[Emergency department clinicians](#) should safely obtain a viral nose and throat swab for human swine influenza testing and send it immediately to ICPMR at Westmead Hospital, or SEALS at Prince of Wales Hospital.

[Download the latest information video for GPs.](#)

### More Information for Clinicians

- [Key points for NSW health care workers](#)
- [Key points for pharmacists](#)
- [Information for prescribers](#)
- [CDNA H1N1 influenza 09 \(Human Swine Influenza\) infection Delay Phase Interim Guidelines for Australian Public Health Units](#)
- [Laboratory Testing Instructions for swine influenza](#) [PDF, 62KB]
- [Statewide Standing Order for Supply of Anti-Influenza Prophylaxis to Defined Contacts](#)

### Infection control resources for Clinicians

- [Infection control guidelines](#) [PDF, 107KB]
- [Infection control for pregnant health care workers](#)
- [How to hand wash in hospital](#)
- [How to hand rub in hospital](#)
- [Clinic hand hygiene poster](#) [PDF, 3474KB]
- [Cough etiquette poster](#) [PDF, 333KB]
- [Fitting a surgical mask poster](#) [PDF, 335KB]
- [5 moments of hand hygiene poster](#) [PDF, 2099KB]

### Resources for Clinicians

- [Isolation room poster](#) [PDF, 343KB]
- [English - Stop clinic sign](#) [PDF, 17KB]

- [English - Symptoms sign](#) [PDF, 227KB]
- [Arabic - Stop Clinic Sign](#) [PDF, 60KB]
- [Arabic - Symptoms sign](#) [PDF, 83KB]
- [Chinese - Stop Clinic Sign](#) [PDF, 88KB]
- [Chinese - Symptoms sign](#) [PDF, 92KB]
- [Portuguese - Stop Clinic Sign](#) [PDF, 21KB]
- [Portuguese - Symptoms sign](#) [PDF, 8KB]
- [Spanish - Stop Clinic Sign](#) [PDF, 20KB]
- [Spanish - Symptoms sign](#) [PDF, 8KB]
- [Vietnamese - Stop Clinic Sign](#) [PDF, 84KB]
- [Vietnamese - Symptoms sign](#) [PDF, 62KB]

### For more information:

- Department of Health and Ageing swine influenza information hotline **1802007**

### Related links:

- [World Health Organization](#)
- [United States CDC](#)
- [Public Health Agency of Canada](#)
- [Department of Health and Ageing - Health Emergency website](#)
- [Travel advisory](#)