

H1N1 Flu Information

The United States Government has declared a public health emergency in the United States. CDC's response goals are to reduce transmission and illness severity, and provide information to help health care providers, public health officials and the public address the challenges posed by this emergency. CDC's Division of the Strategic National Stockpile (SNS) continues to send antiviral drugs, personal protective equipment, and respiratory protection devices to all 50 states and U.S. territories to help them respond to the outbreak. The swine influenza A (H1N1) virus is susceptible to the prescription antiviral drugs oseltamivir and zanamivir. In addition, the Federal Government and manufacturers have begun the process of developing a vaccine against this new virus.

Resources for Mainers seeking more information about the global H1N1 flu (swine) outbreak can be found below.

[Centers for Disease Control and Prevention ‐ Swine Influenza](#) ‐ Provides general information, frequently asked questions, updated cases of infection by state, travel notices and press briefings

[Department of Health and Human Services ‐ PandemicFlu.gov: Swine Flu](#)

Department of Homeland Security – Joint Press Briefing on Swine Influenza – Transcript of the April 26 press briefing with officials from the Department of Homeland Security, Centers for Disease Control and the White House

Department of Agriculture – USDA Outreach Efforts – Includes statements by Agriculture Secretary Vilsack regarding USDA outreach efforts regarding swine flu and frequently asked questions

Department of State – Travel Alert to Mexico (4/27/09)

World Health Organization – Provides the latest information about the WHO’s global response to swine influenza outbreaks

Maine CDC website on Swine Flu

Preventing the Flu

