

From

Director General Health Services  
Haryana, Panchkula

To

All Civil Surgeons  
Haryana

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**Subject: Advisory for the management of influenza A H1N1 cases.**

With reference to the subject cited above, in continuation of the letter no. **No.:32/3-IDSP-019/902-24 Dated:21.08.2019** all the Civil Surgeons are again requested to ensure the compliance regarding following measures to control H1N1:-

- Enhance the Surveillance of H1N1 like/ acute respiratory illness and to carefully review any unusual symptoms.
- If any confirmed case of H1N1 is found, activate Rapid Response Team at District level
- All Hospital/Medical Colleges should have designated Screening Centres (Flu corner) so that the ARI/ILI patient is screened at the earliest.
- Isolation ward, ICU beds and ventilator facility must be available in all the Govt. and Private hospitals in the District.
- Ensure the availability of ventilator facilities in your District and if ventilator facility is not available in the Govt. Hospital then tie up is to be done with the Private Hospitals having such facilities.
- Keep minimum required stock of logistic and medicines at your own level.
- Ensure the use of PPE kits, which includes (Mask, Gloves, Protective Eye wear (Goggles), hair cover, shoe covers, gown/ apron) by the Health Staff and also ensure that the use of Triple Layer Surgical mask and N95 respiratory mask.
- Issue direction to all the ENT Surgeons for the proper use and disposal of the mask.
- Isolation Centre will be designated by you, where Influenza A H1N1 Suspected/Confirmed cases may be admitted for treatment and sample collection for Influenza A H1N1.
- Issue directions to all Hospitals (Government and Private) to inform you about all cases of ILI (Influenza like illness) in category –B of Influenza H1N1
- Ensure that all Hospitals (Government and Private) should put Confirmed Case of Influenza A H1N1 on treatment as per Protocol and Guidelines of Government of India without waiting for the laboratory results of such cases.
- Issue directions to all Hospitals (Govt. /Private) to follow the categorization of Influenza A H1N1 issued by the Government of India and available at the website of NCDC (National Centre for Disease Control, New Delhi).
- Ensure that all cases of Influenza A H1N1 whether Suspected or Confirmed should be kept in isolation to avoid any spread of the disease.
- The recommended test for confirmed diagnosis of Influenza A H1N1 is by RT PCR method. Reports by Government designated H1N1 Labs will only be accepted .
- Ensure that all suspected samples to be sent to designated H1N1 Labs (PGIMER Chandigarh, BPS Kalan Medical College Sonapat, PGIMS Rohtak and NCDC Delhi) for lab confirmation.
- Conduct regular meetings with the IMA members for coordination with them and make them alert regarding the season of H1N1 and direct them that they should **Cooperate** Health Department for the management of H1N1 cases.
- All the paramedical staff, ASHA workers, Principal of school and colleges, District Education Officers, Municipal Staff, Panchayat Members, school children and Community should be sensitized by conducting regular awareness meetings and campaigns.

- IEC should be carried out on regular basis with emphasis to the Do's and Don'ts (Placed at Annex. "A") and also create awareness through TV spots, Radio Jingles and other activities.
- Ensure that the audit of each H1N1 positive death case is done by a designated death audit committee constituted at District Level

In addition to above, you are also informed that under Epidemic Disease Act 1897, the Hon'able Governor of Haryana has notified H1N1 for 3 Years (ie. F.Y. 2019-20,2020-21 & 2021-2022).



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A copy is forwarded to State President Haryana, IMA for information and with the request to direct the district president of IMA to keep in touch with the concerned Civil Surgeons for the management of H1N1.



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