Infection: Don't Pass It On

A VA Campaign for Public Health



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What is IDPIO?

 What does this group do?

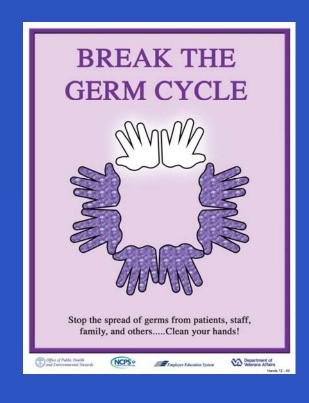






Goal of the Campaign

Infection: Don't Pass It On (IDPIO) is an on-going campaign to involve VA staff, veterans, their families and visitors in preventing the transmission of infection.







IDPIO Objectives

Develops and distributes education and communication resources for the the VA community that promote:

- Hand hygiene and respiratory etiquette;
- Annual seasonal influenza vaccination;
- Basic public health
 measures to prevent
 transmission of infection.









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- Correct and appropriate use of personal protective equipment;
- Pandemic influenza preparedness and response.







What offices comprise IDPIO?

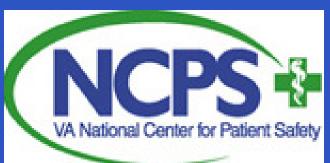




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Office of Public Health & Environmental Hazards

- Public Health Strategic Health Care Group
- Occupational Health, Safety, and Prevention Strategic Health Care Group

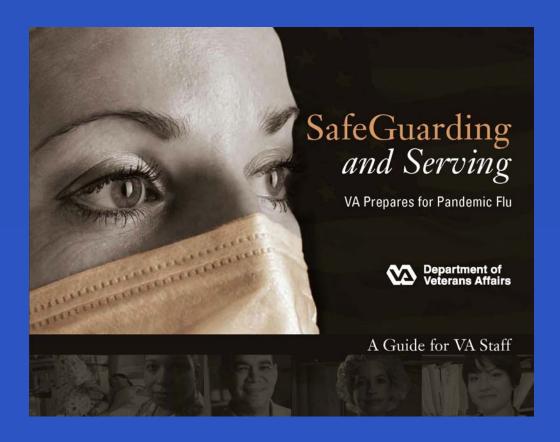
Employee Education System Office of Patient Care Services

- VA Infection Control Professionals
- National Center for Health Promotion and Disease Prevention
- Infectious Diseases Program Office

National Center for Patient Safety







Name some resources that IDPIO has developed.







Educational Products

Over 100 Educational Posters

- Hand hygiene
- Respiratory hygiene
- Seasonal Influenza
- Pandemic Influenza
- Bathroom etiquette
- Personal protection equipment
- Droplet precautions







Educational Products

- Intra & Internet Web sites
- SARS & flu brochures
- Videos
- Cafeteria tray liners
- Button templates
- Slide templates
- Resource bibliographies

Symptoms of Flu & When to Seek Medical Care

Symptoms of Flu

- ► Fever (usually high)
- ▶ Headache
- Tiredness (can be extreme)
- ► Cough

- Sore throat
- ► Runny or stuffy nose
- Body aches
- Nausea, vomiting, and diarrhea (more in children than adults)

If the person has flu symptoms they should:

- ▶ Rest
- ▶ Drink fluids
- ▶ Stay home
- Take fever reducers such as acetaminophen (e.g., Tylenol) or ibuprofen (e.g., Advil or Motrin)

But IF the person:

- Is unable to drink enough fluids (has dark urine; may feel dizzy when standing)
- ► Has the fever for more than 3 to 5 days
- Feels better, then gets a fever again
- CALL a healthcare provider



Or IF the person:

- Is short of breath or is wheezing
- ► Coughs up blood
- ▶ Has pain in the chest when breathing
- Has heart disease (like angina or congestive heart failure) and has chest pain
- Is unable to walk or sit up, or function normally (others might be the ones to notice this—especially in elderly persons)
- GO RIGHT AWAY for medical care

Helpful Supplies

- ▶ Thermometer
- Fever reducers such as acetaminophen (e.g., Tylenol) or ibuprofen (e.g., Advil or Motrin)
- Cough drops or cough syrup
- Drinks—fruit juices, soda, tea, sport drinks, or water (avoid caffeine)
- Light foods—clear soups, crackers, applesauce
- ▶ Blankets or warm covers





Seasonal Flu Resources

- 200 page manual
 - VA policies, best practices, vaccination information and campaign goals
 - Annual publication
- Stickers
- Buttons
- Posters









Seasonal Flu Resources

- Brochures
 - English & Spanish
 - Flu and Pandemic Flu
 - General Audience
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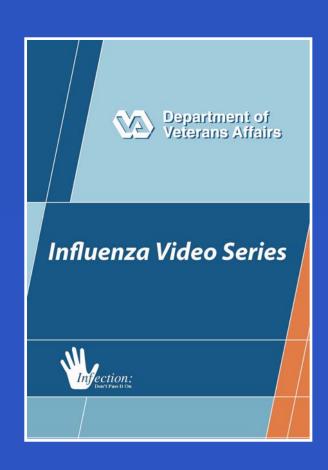


We're Counting on You

Seasonal Flu Resources

Videos

- Flu Vaccination for Health Care workers
- 2. How flu is spread
- 3. Respiratory Etiquette
- 4. Donning
- 5. Doffing
- 6. Hand washing Etiquette
- 7. Seasonal Flu Quiz Show





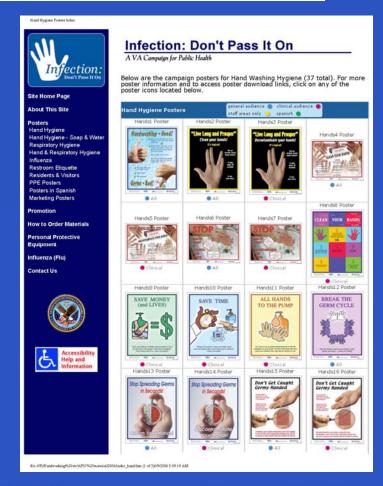


Web site

www.publichealth.va.gov/InfectionDontPassItOnvaww.publichealth.va.gov/InfectionDontPassItOn



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 How do you get additional copies of IDPIO resources?





IDPIO Catalog



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- Many IDPIO products are available "pre-printed" from the depot at Hines...through the EES catalog
- IDPIO Resource Catalog
- On-line order system via LMS



