City of Arlington Office of Emergency Management



SUBJECT: H1N1 Flu

SITUATION REPORT: #9

DATES AND TIME COVERED: 16:00 hrs 6/12/09 through 16:00 hrs 06/19/09

CURRENT SITUATION: A total of 75 countries worldwide have reported 44,287 confirmed cases and 180 deaths of H1N1. 21,449 confirmed and probable cases have been reported in 53 states and territories. The Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS) has confirmed 2,354 cases of the H1N1 virus in 84 Texas Counties and 10 deaths. There have been 151 confirmed cases of H1N1 infection identified in Tarrant County.

As of June 8, 2009, Tarrant County Public Health will no longer be conducting investigations of all novel influenza A H1N1 (swine-like flu) cases. In order to continue monitoring the evolution of the novel influenza A H1N1 virus, investigations will still be conducted on ALL hospitalized patients and any influenza related deaths.

The World Health Organization has raised the influenza A H1N1 alert to its highest level, saying the H1N1 virus has spread to enough countries to be considered a global pandemic. Increasing the alert to Phase 6 does not mean that the disease is deadlier or more dangerous than before, just that it has spread to more countries.

CRITICAL PRIORITIES:

- Continue to consult with area school districts, universities, faith-based partners and private business partners.
- Continue to support public needs of flu prevention posters.
- Continue to support departmental review of current Continuity of Operations Plans (COOP).
- Continue to update the city website with general H1N1 flu information and important web links.
- Update city management on a regular basis regarding the current H1N1 flu crisis and release situational reports once a week (Friday) until conditions dictate reports are no longer needed.
- Distribute educational materials to local camps, vacation bible schools and other summer activity locations.

AREAS AFFECTED BY EVENT: The 84 counties of Andrews, Angelina, Atascosa, Bailey, Bee, Bell, Bexar, Brazoria, Brazos, Brooks, Callahan, Caldwell, Cameron, Collin, Comal, Coryell, Dallas, Dawson, Denton, Duval, Ellis, El Paso, Erath, Fort Bend, Frio, Galveston, Gonzales, Grayson, Gregg, Grimes, Guadalupe, Hamilton, Harris, Hays, Henderson, Hidalgo, Hood, Hopkins, Hudspeth, Jefferson, Jim Wells, Johnson, Kaufman, Kendall, Kleburg, Lamar, La Salle, Lubbock, Matagorda, Maverick, Medina, Montgomery, Nolan, Nueces, Parker, Pecos, Refugio, Rockwall, San Jacinto, San Patricio, Starr, Sutton, Tarrant, Taylor, Travis, Upshur, Uvalde, Victoria, Walker, Washington, Webb, Wichita, Willacy, Williamson, Wilson, Wise and Yoakum have all received confirmed cases of the H1N1 flu.

- **FATALITIES/** Due to the mildness of the H1N1 flu in the United States, most people are recovering well. However, there have been 17,855 confirmed cases and 87 H1N1 related deaths in the US.
- **SCHOOLS:** City staff is maintaining communications with area school districts.

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