

CATAC Meeting H1N1 Update
December 14, 2009

1. CDC Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report (MMWR) dated December 11, 2009 demonstrated 4x mortality rate in AI/AN as compared to US All Races. Reasons thought to be due to higher rates of asthma, diabetes, and possibly socio-economics. Data from State of California Vital Records not included (see report)

2. Best means of protection is vaccination
 - a. Post- vaccination surveillance has demonstrated safety thus far
 - b. IHS has been conducting post vax surveillance
 - c. 8 million people, or 22% of population in CA have been vaccinated thus far
 - d. When supply is short, vaccinations are prioritized to certain groups
 - e. Some counties providing vaccine to everyone who wants it
 - f. Most tribal and urban health clinics have vaccine