

Special Presentation

H1N1 influenza update

With the focus on health care workers

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GOAL- *Increase professional awareness of H1N1 and the implications for patient care and safety*

NEEDS ASSESSMENT: *a June 19, 2009 quote from our speaker:*

The issue of healthcare worker influenza vaccination is heating up. During yesterday's CDC briefing, we learned that there are now 81 lab-confirmed cases of HCW infection with the novel H1N1, and **there has been documented HCW to HCW transmission***(emphasis added MK)*. That's not good, and it provides further evidence that HCWs continue working when they have flu-like symptoms, and they transmit it to others at the workplace.

TARGET AUDIENCE: Medical staff and physicians of El Paso County, PSFHS nursing associates, PSFHS administration

OBJECTIVES:

1. To provide information about the current status of seasonal and pandemic influenza
2. To explain issues related to influenza vaccines
3. To discuss healthcare worker vaccination and other methods for preventing influenza transmission

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