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HEALTH ADVISORY

H1N1 Videoconference/Webcast Scheduled for Health-Care Providers and Public Health

The North Dakota Department of Health (NDDoH) will hold a videoconference and webcast to update the status of the H1N1 pandemic for health-care providers and public health Friday, Oct. 23, 2009, from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m.

The meeting will provide updates about:

- Disease activity.
- State Medical Cache, including N95 and surgical masks supplies and policies.
- Antiviral supplies and policies.
- Vaccine availability.
- Public information.
- Reporting information into HC Standard.

The NDDoH will look for updates from health-care institutions about clinical influenza activity, facility stress and facility needs, as well as take questions from participants.

All local public health units and hospitals will be connected Friday from 2:30 p.m. CT until 5 p.m. CT. If your facility does not want to be connected, please contact Dan Stephenson at dstephenson@nd.gov.

Connection Options:

- Videoconference – Contact the closest local public health unit or hospital to check for availability and to make a reservation.
- Teleconference – Dial 866.888.3385.
- Webcast – To watch from your computer, follow these steps:
 - Step 1 – Prior to the first time viewing an NDDoH webcast, please check that your computer has the necessary software installed. Follow the link www.ndhealth.gov/webcasthtml/preflight for a test.
 - Step 2 – Follow the link www.ndhealth.gov/WebcastHigh.aspx to view the webcast.

The video feed will start 30 minutes prior to the scheduled broadcast time.

For technical support, please call 866.716.1274 (beginning at 8:30 a.m. CT).

If you have any questions, please contact the North Dakota Department of Health at 701.328.1326 or icliaison@nd.gov.

Categories of Health Alert messages:

- *Health Alert conveys the highest level of importance; warrants immediate action or attention.*
- *Health Advisory provides important information for a specific incident or situation; may not require immediate action.*
- *Health Update provides updated information regarding an incident or situation; no immediate action necessary.*
- *Health Information provides general information that is not necessarily considered to be of an emergent nature.*

This message is being sent to local public health units, clinics, hospitals, physicians, tribal health, North Dakota Nurses Association, North Dakota Long Term Care Association, North Dakota Healthcare Association, North Dakota Medical Association, and hospital public information officers.