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Using seasonal flu practices to prep for pan flu

MORE ABOUT THESE PRACTICES

Across the US, health agencies parlayed their seasonal flu strategies and practices into a strong response during the 2009 H1N1 pandemic.

Some agencies integrated their pandemic successes into their ongoing seasonal flu efforts.

Follow us on Twitter this month to learn more about seasonal flu tools agencies have used for pan flu prep and planning (and vice versa).

And remember to submit practices from your jurisdiction!

MASS VACCINE CLINICS

ILLINOIS
The University of Chicago borrowed concepts from Malcolm Gladwell's bestseller, The Tipping Point, to redesign how vaccine was distributed and boost uptake, first for seasonal and later pandemic influenza.

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HAWAII
By 2009, 91% of the state's public and private schools participated in Hawaii's voluntary school-based seasonal flu vaccine clinics program, thus setting the stage for a strong H1N1 response.

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MINNESOTA
Rural Polk County built on its successful seasonal flu exercises to open mass dispensing sites on the same day it received its first shipment of H1N1 vaccine.

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OHIO
The University of Toledo used its previous vaccination campaign experience to offer student training and run a drive-thru POD during the H1N1 pandemic. View details.

SURVEILLANCE

NEW HAMPSHIRE
Surveillance work by school nurses during the H1N1 pandemic was integrated into the state’s seasonal flu response. View details.

TEXAS
Tarrant County developed a toolkit and guidance for sharing ILI-related absentee information between schools and local health departments. View details.

NORTH CAROLINA
A hospital-based public health epidemiologist program aided the state’s H1N1 response and is credited with improving public health infrastructure and shortening emergency response time. View details.

OUTREACH

CALIFORNIA
San Francisco adapted its infectious disease emergency response guidance and templates for local agencies to
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Wednesday, March 13
3:30 - 4:15 pm

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