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MEDIA AND COMMUNITY UPDATE

SWINE FLU HOTLINE: 1-800-342-3557

CURRENT SITUATION:

Broward County Health Department continues enhanced surveillance and outreach to physicians, hospitals, other health care professionals and community partners.

Broward County Health Department is providing community outreach with recommended health precautions.

Organizations may request information at: <http://www.browardchd.org/SwineInfo.asp>

More information is provided at:

Broward County Health Department
www.browardchd.org
Information Line: (954) 467-4700

Florida Department of Health
www.doh.state.fl.us
1-800-342-3557
Hotline open 8AM to 8PM

Centers For Disease Control and Prevention
www.cdc.gov/swineflu

PRECAUTIONS:

Broward County Health Department officials offer these recommendations for residents and visitors:

- As always, people with respiratory illness should stay home from work or school to avoid spreading infections, including influenza, to others in the community;
- Avoid close contact with people who are coughing or otherwise appear ill;
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth;
- Wash hands frequently to lessen the spread of respiratory illness;
- People experiencing cough, fever and fatigue, possibly along with diarrhea and vomiting, should contact their physician/health care provider;
- Cough or sneeze into a tissue or into your upper sleeve, not your hands and put your used tissue in the waste basket;
- **If you think you have influenza, please call your health care provider and discuss whether you need to be seen in their office, emergency department or stay home.**

The Swine Flu virus is not transmitted by food and a person cannot get Swine Flu from eating pork products. The infections appear to spread from person to person.

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