

Important Swine Flu updates



Recently there has been increasing media coverage about cases of people with Severe Respiratory Illness (SRI) in Mexico and the links to Swine Influenza (Swine Flu) in other countries. There have been reported cases in Canada and public health units across the province have implemented increased monitoring for illness. The Simcoe Muskoka District Health Unit is working closely with local hospitals and community health professionals to screen for illness and to reinforce the importance of infection control measures.

The Simcoe Muskoka Medical Officer of Health, Dr. Charles Gardner, is leading local preparedness efforts. The Simcoe Muskoka District Health Unit has developed the following webpages to help inform the public.

Website Links

Severe Respiratory Illness/Swine Flu:

<http://www.simcoemuskokahealth.org/Topics/advisory/RespiratoryIllnessMexico.asp>

Pandemic pages on the site:

<http://www.simcoemuskokahealth.org/Topics/Pandemic/introduction.asp?NAV=PIP>

The Simcoe Muskoka District Health Unit pandemic plan

http://www.simcoemuskokahealth.org/pdfs/SMDHU_PandemicPlan.pdf