

Seasonal & Pandemic Influenza 2007

Poster Section: Surveillance and Diagnostics, with an Update on Rapid Diagnostics

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The goal of this project is to provide a timely summary of overall influenza activity in Holmes County, Ohio. It will also help train and condition key providers on how to monitor influenza activity during a possible pandemic episode. Influenza surveillance consists of 4 surveillance components: physician ILI (influenza-like illness) reporting, laboratory reporting, pharmacy reporting, and school reporting. These surveillance systems will allow the Holmes County Health Department to determine where and when influenza activity is occurring and compare that information with national trends.