

Important Information for Physicians

From the Miami-Dade County Health Department

Avian Flu: Suspect it? You Must Report it!

(Florida Administrative Code, Chapter 64D-3)

**Notify the Miami-Dade County Health Department
Epidemiology, Disease Control and Immunization Services
(305) 470-5660 24 hours / 7 days a week**

Consider avian influenza in travelers returning from countries with reported cases in birds and/or humans. (See WHO and World Organization for Animal Health websites)

Seek consultation from the Miami-Dade County Health Department, Epidemiology, Disease Control and Immunization Services.

We provide laboratory support for avian flu testing. Please provide a detailed history of travel, avian exposure and other risks. Influenza A H5N1 ("avian flu") testing is not available at private labs.

Reference Websites:

Florida Department of Health:

www.doh.state.fl.us/rw_Bulletins/panfluplanindex.html

www.doh.state.fl.us/disease_ctrl/epi/htopics/BirdFlu.htm

Miami-Dade County Health Department:

<http://www.dadehealth.org/aviflu/AVIFLUbasics.asp>

<http://www.dadehealth.org/flu/FLUmain.asp>

World Organization for Animal Health:

http://www.oie.int/downld/AVIAN%20INFLUENZA/A_AI-Asia.htm

CDC:

www.cdc.gov/flu/avian/index.htm

The Official U.S. Government Website for Pandemic Influenza:

www.pandemicflu.gov

World Health Organization (WHO):

www.who.int/csr/disease/avian_influenza/en/

http://www.who.int/csr/disease/avian_influenza/country/cases_table_2008_06_19/en/index.html



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