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SWINE FLU UPDATE NO NEW SWINE FLU CASES REPORTED IN SAN DIEGO COUNTY

The County of San Diego Health and Human Services Agency (HHSA) has no new cases of swine influenza to report today.

“The national declaration of a Public Health Emergency now allows us to utilize federal resources that are made available,” said Wilma Wooten, M.D., M.P.H., County Public Health Officer. “It does not change anything that we are currently doing at the local level.”

HHSA continues to work closely with the Imperial County Public Health Department, the California Department of Public Health and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to determine the cause of the infections and the extent of human-to-human spread. If additional cases are detected, HHSA will promptly report them to the public.

“We continue to have heightened surveillance and this will most likely increase our number of confirmed cases of human infection with swine influenza,” said Wooten. “Our advice to the public continues to be urging them to follow typical precautions they would follow during a regular flu season. Those include if you are sick, do not go to work, school or travel. Cover your mouth when coughing, sneezing or blowing your nose, and wash your hands frequently.”

To date, four cases of swine flu have been reported in San Diego County. They are:

- A 10-year-old male (4/21/09)
- A 54-year-old male and his 16-year-old daughter (4/23/09)
- A 7-year-old male (4/24/09)

All four San Diego cases have recovered.

For additional information on swine influenza visit www.cdc.gov or http://www.sdcounty.ca.gov/Portal/News/swine_flu_cdc_sd.html or call the County of San Diego Swine Influenza Information Line at (858) 715-2250.

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