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Public Health Information on Influenza

Maldives is currently experiencing an increase in influenza. The routine influenza surveillance system, which was instituted in 2015 with the assistance of US CDC, has shown that some of the cases are of influenza A (subtype H_1N_1).

After the 2009 influenza pandemic, the H_1N_1 has been circulating as normal seasonal influenza and has been causing seasonal influenza outbreaks every year around the world. However, we should note since 2009, globally many have been infected and cured. As such, H_1N_1 infection is now similar to any other influenza and not considered as severe or dangerous. However, pregnant women, very young children, the elderly and those with certain pre-existing conditions can have complications when infected with any type of influenza.

Health Protection Agency has instituted measures to control the outbreak. National health programs have been enhanced. These include public awareness messages on prevention measures.

The Government of Maldives is fully committed to protect the health of Maldivians and visitors to the country and uphold the recognition by WHO as a country that has a stable health record.

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