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Dear Parents, Guardians and Employees:

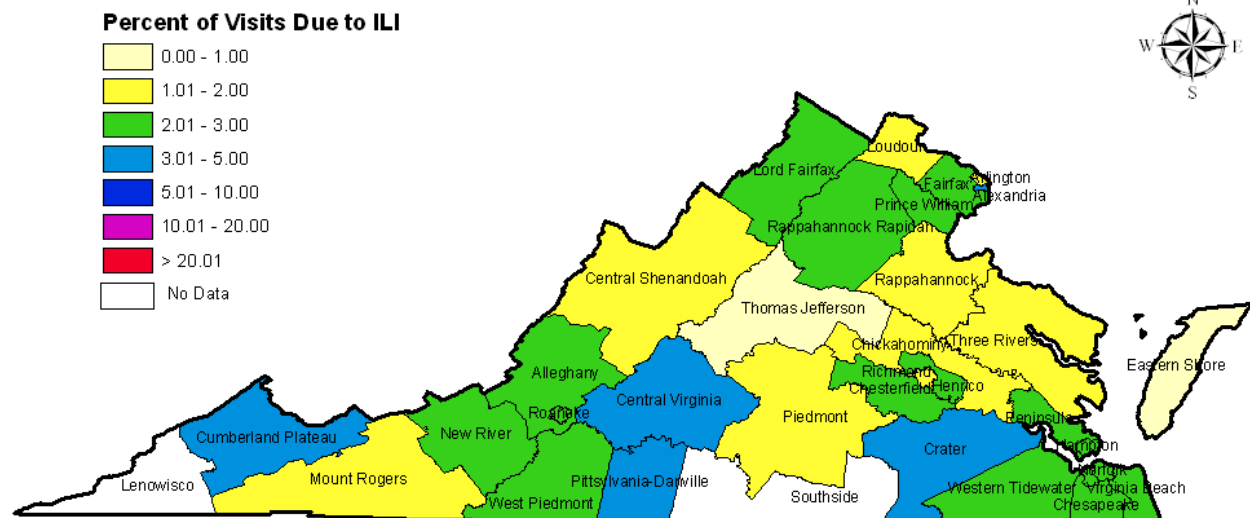
Today's communication will provide a brief update on H1N1 surveillance and vaccination activities in Virginia.

Surveillance

- Influenza-like illness activity has decreased to the level of "regional" after being "widespread" for 16 weeks.
- Essentially all identified flu viruses continue to be the H1N1 strain.
- The percent of emergency department and urgent care visits for influenza-like illness are in the 2 to 3% range, down from an average of 15% in October.
- Of note, children up to age 4 continue to seek care at a higher rate than other groups.

Percent of Emergency Department and Urgent Care Visits for Influenza Like Illness (ILI) by Health District in Virginia, 2009

Data for Week Ending January 9, 2010



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Office of Epidemiology - Division of Surveillance and Investigation
Data mapped by Health District where patient resides.

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Vaccination-

Over 3.8 million doses of vaccine have been distributed in Virginia. Through the combined efforts of the medical community, pharmacies and health departments, 15 % of the population is immunized with significantly higher rates (35%) in the pediatric population.

Our newly elected Governor, the Secretary of Health, and those at the Virginia Department of Health would like to recognize the clinicians who have comprised The Commissioner’s Infectious Disease Advisory and Primary Care Advisory Committees. These dedicated Virginians who offered H1N1 assistance are listed below:

Commissioner’s Infectious Disease Advisory Group

Michael B. Edmond James L. Pearson Frederick G. Hayden Donald Poretz
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Commissioner’s Primary Care Advisory Committee

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During the weeks of January 11-22, 2010, information on flu-like illnesses is reported in the chart below. Friday, January 15th and Monday, January 18th were student holidays.

School	Total Enrollment	Reports of Influenza for week ending 1-15-10	Reports of Influenza for week ending 1-22-10
Gordon-Barbour Elem	381	0	0
Lightfoot Elementary	298	0	0
Locust Grove Elem	653	28	9
Locust Grove Middle	826	0	0
OCHS	1,584	1	1
Orange Elementary	573	0	0
Prospect Heights MS	498	0	0
Unionville Elementary	297	0	0
Total	5,110	29	10

We will continue to track illness in all our schools and report the data bi-weekly.
Sincerely,

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