

SHEFFIELD LOCAL MEDICAL COMMITTEE

NEWSFLASH

PREPARING FOR PANDEMIC INFLUENZA GUIDANCE FOR SHEFFIELD GPs

As reported in the January 2009 LMC newsletter, through the joint work of the British Medical Association (BMA), the Royal college of General Practitioners (RCGP) and the Department of Health (DH), guidance has been produced entitled *Preparing for Pandemic Influenza: Guidance for GP Practices – What to do Now and in a Pandemic*.

A copy of the guidance can be downloaded from the LMC website at:

http://www.sheffield-lmc.org.uk/OG09/Preparing_for_Pandemic_Flu.pdf

To assist practices in understanding and taking action on the recommendations and suggestions in this detailed guidance (61 pages), the LMC has produced a brief guidance note (2 pages), highlighting the key issues, such as business continuity, managing surge capacity and patient prioritisation.

A copy of the guidance can be downloaded from the LMC website at:

http://www.sheffield-lmc.org.uk/lmc%20guidance/Preparing_for_Pandemic_Influenza_May09.pdf

In addition, on Thursday 30 April 2009, the LMC distributed a Newsflash *Swine Flu – Essential Information for GPs* to all Sheffield GP practices.

A copy of the Newsflash can be downloaded from the LMC website at:

<http://www.sheffield-lmc.org.uk/newsflash.htm>

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