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State of Alaska / Declaration of Emergency-----No  Yes  
 DHS & EM State Emergency Coordination Center -----No  Yes  
 DHSS Emergency Operations Center -----No  Yes

**UA System status: Ongoing activities:**

- Continuing to consolidate pandemic plans from campuses for review.
- Continuing to monitor ongoing efforts within the State and in the lower 48 concerning the H1N1 outbreak.
- Recommend continued emphasis on public information focused on every day actions to stay healthy:
  - o Cover your nose and mouth with a tissue when you cough or sneeze. Throw the tissue in the trash after you use it.
  - o Wash your hands often with soap and water, especially after you cough or sneeze. Alcohol-based hands cleaners are also effective.
  - o Avoid touching your eyes, nose or mouth. Germs spread that way.
  - o Stay home if you get sick. CDC recommends that you stay home from work or school and limit contact with others to keep from infecting them.
- Provide timely updates.

UA/EM Risk Services website: <http://www.alaska.edu/risksafety/alerts/swine-flu/index.xml>

Future activities:

- Continue to monitor current situation and modify plans in order to meet current pandemic situation.
- Start the review of campus pandemic plans.
- Conduct pandemic preparedness seminars for our campuses.
  - o ICS 402 for Executives
  - o Continuity of Operations/Business Resumption Planning
  - o Pan Flu Discussion Based Table Top Exercise (Community Agencies involved)

**United States**

- **6,552** confirmed cases; with **9** confirmed deaths-**48** states affected.
- CDC continues to take aggressive action to respond to the outbreak. CDC's response goals are to reduce the spread and severity of illness, and to provide information to help health care providers, public health officials and the public address the challenges posed by this new public health threat.
- CDC has provided guidance for the public on [what to do if they become sick with flu-like symptoms](#), including infection with novel H1N1. CDC also has issued instructions on [taking care of a sick person at home](#).

CDC H1N1 website: <http://www.cdc.gov/h1n1flu/>

**Alaska**

- **No** documented cases within the state of Alaska.
- Alaska DHSS and DHS & EM continues to operate as a Unified Command for both Operations River Watch and H1N1 outbreak.

