

Influenza: 10 years after the H1N1 pandemic, are we prepared for the next influenza pandemic?

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Question 1:

Do you have a flu pandemic plan?

If so, is it a plan just a plan for the health system or does it include a wider range of government functions?

Question 2:

As an NPHI, are you involved in the preparedness of the plan, and what is your role for its implementation ?

Question 3:

What approach will you take in the early days of a pandemic to ascertain as much information as possible about the likely course of the pandemic to come?

Do you have a plan for rapid epidemiological study to confirm?

Question 4:

What approach does your country take to stockpiling antivirals, other drugs, facemasks and other equipment that might be required during a pandemic?

Question 5:

How do you approach issues of public awareness both before a pandemic takes place and when a pandemic occurs?

Question 6:

Have you got sound modelling of the potential pressures on hospitals and primary health care for a pandemic and what are the biggest challenges for your country in this respect?

If not, what would be your need?

Question 7:

How confident are you of getting supplies of pandemic specific vaccine as soon as they become available?

Question 8:

What area of pandemic planning do you worry about most?

Question 9:

How resilient is your organisation to the demands that are likely during a pandemic with associated staff illness?

Question 10:

Do you have a pre-agreed approach to measures to potentially reduce spread of pandemic flu such as mass gatherings, school closures and so on?

Question 11:

How and where do you find expert support to address all these issues for preparedness?



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