

PARTNER RECOGNITION FOR H1N1

Beginning in April 2009, when the first wave of the H1N1 Influenza hit Dane County, in the Fall of 2009 (second wave) and continuing through February 2010, Public Health and its partners worked closely to monitor and contain the spread of H1N1 in our county and prevent the transmission of the virus through education and immunization efforts. Besides Public Health staff there were a number of individuals and organizations that contributed to these efforts that we want to recognize.

PARTNER GROUPS

General Planning

Provided guidance and assistance with planning and communication of H1N1 response efforts.

- Wisconsin Department of Health Services, Division of Public Health
 - Mary Young and staff at Southern Regional Office
 - Dan Hopfensperger and staff of Immunization section
 - Dr. Jeff Davis (Communicable Disease)
 - Rick Heffernan and staff of Communicable Disease/Epidemiology section
 - Joe Cordova and staff of (Public Health & Hospital Preparedness)
- Dane County Emergency Management (DCEM)
- Dane County Emergency Medical Services Division
- Dane County School Safety Coalition
- MATC - Truax
- Partners in Health:
 - University Health Services
 - St. Mary's Hospital and Clinics
 - UW Hospital & Clinics
 - UW Medical Foundation
 - Meriter
 - Stoughton Hospital
 - Access Community Health Centers (ACHC)
 - Dean Health System
 - Group Health Cooperative of SCW (GHC)
 - Veterans Hospital
 - HospiceCare
 - Wildwood Family Clinic

Communication & Outreach

Created the tools and the mechanisms to provide consistent public information regarding H1N1 prevention and immunization opportunities.

- City of Madison Information Technology - Sarah Edgerton and Web team (PHMDC website); Bob McFarland and Juliette Sanders [PHMDC Flu line]
- City of Madison Document Services – Julie Blome, Julie Kaufman, Theresa Blackburn [PHMDC website]
- Madison City Channel [webcasting]
- United Way 2-1-1 Center – Kathy Martinson, Burlie Williams, Tom Kuplic
- Greater Madison PIO Group [public information] – J. McLellan (Dane County Emergency Management), Ken Syke (Madison Metropolitan School District), Rachel Strauch-Nelson (Mayor’s Office), Josh Wescott (County Executive’s Office)
- Seth Boffeli (WI Department of Health Services) [public information]
- Health Care Provider Call Lines: Cathie Evenson (Dean), Jennifer Jarrett (Meriter), Gladys Briggs (ACHC), Becky Borchert (GHC), Susan Dillon (UW Health), Julie Nueheisel (Dean)
- Health Care Communicators [public information] – UW Health, Meriter, St. Mary’s Hospital, Dean, GHC, Stoughton Hospital, VA Hospital, University Health Services , HospiceCare, Access Community Health Centers (ACHC), American Red Cross
- Dane County Human Services [outreach]
- Area Agency on Aging [outreach]
- David Smith and African American Council of Churches [outreach]
- Next of Kin [H1N1 jingle]

School-Based Clinics

Coordinated and assisted with the smooth running of school-based H1N1 vaccination clinics and assisted with immunizations. [16,450 students immunized]

- Dane County School Districts – Belleville, Deerfield, DeForest, Madison, Marshall, McFarland, Middleton/Cross Plains, Mount Horeb, Monona Grove, Oregon, Stoughton, Verona, Wisconsin Heights
- Private schools – Madison County Day School, Wingra School, Madinah Academy, Hope Academy, Oaklawn Academy, Operation Fresh Start, Madison Central Montessori, Kids Express Learning Center
- Parochial schools – Abundant life Christian School, Blessed Sacrament Elementary, Edgewood Elementary, Edgewood High School, High Point Christian School, Holy Cross Lutheran, Immaculate Heart of Mary school, Sacred Hearts Grade School, St. Ann Catholic School, St. Dennis Grade School, St. Francis Xavier Catholic School, St. James Grade School, St. Maria Goretti School, St. John’s School
- Supplemental Immunizing Staff: Home Health United, BrightStar, American Red Cross (Badger Chapter), Meriter , St. Mary’s Hospital, UW School of Nursing, UW Medical Foundation , UW Hospital & Clinics, Group Health Cooperative SCW, Wildwood Clinic

Large Alliant Energy Center Clinics

Assisted with planning, immunization, first aid, client assistance, traffic flow and/or security for the 3 community H1N1 vaccination clinics. [7,790 people immunized]

- Alliant Energy Center, Exhibition Hall [planning, logistics, on-site assistance]
- Dane County Sheriff's Office [traffic flow, client assistance, security]
- Home Health United [immunizations]
- American Red Cross, Badger Chapter [clinic flow & client assistance]
- Madison Fire Department [immunizations]
- Town of Madison Fire Department [first aid]

Smaller Community Clinics:

Coordination, outreach, staffing and support of EMS-hosted and/or local neighborhood/community H1N1 vaccination clinics. [over 2,500 people immunized]

- Carrie Meier (Dane County Emergency Management, Emergency Medical Services - EMS)
- 12 Dane County Emergency Medical Services and their Response Partners: Belleville, Blooming Grove/Burke/Maple Bluff, Cambridge, Deer-Grove (Deerfield/Cottage Grove), District 1 (Black Earth/Mazomanie), FitchRona (Fitchburg/Verona), Marshall, McFarland, Oregon, Stoughton, Town of Madison, Waunakee
- Home Health United
- Mark Bennett (Waunakee EMS)
- Shelly Weiss (Waunakee Schools)
- MEDiC Clinic (Grace Shelter, Salvation Army, Harambee, Safe Haven, ARC House clinics)
- St. Mary's and Meriter Parish Nurses – Kate Pender (Triangle), Betsy Knight (South Madison), Peggy Weber (Cottage Grove), Jane Renz (Jefferson), Susan Payne (Oregon).
- Susan Corrado (Oakwood Parish nurse/Allied Drive)
- Meriter Home Care (CDA) –Joyce Morrison, Sande Bierd (Triangle)
- Edgewood College Nursing Program – Chris Bell and nursing students (Triangle)

Epidemiology:

Monitored and provided information to assist in getting a better understanding of the level of H1N1 disease in Dane County.

- WI Division of Public Health – Communicable Disease/Epidemiology section
- Dr. Jon Temte (UW Family Medicine/ Wingra Clinic)
- Dr. Mark Bellazzini (UW Division of Emergency Medicine) – MARISSA project
- Freddi Adelson (Madison Metropolitan School District)
- Jo Schoohs (Middleton/Cross Plains SD)
- Barb Bendall (Deerfield and Marshall SDs)
- Laurel Gretebeck (Stoughton SD)
- Sherri Shaw & Kristine Ladish (Sun Prairie Area SD)
- Craig Roberts (University Health Services)
- Bill Buckingham (UW Applied Population Health Lab) [data mapping]
- Surveillance & Outbreak Support Program [supplemental staff to assist PHMDC with non-H1N1 epi follow-up]