

## **Safety & Health Circular No. 05/2009**

### **Prevention of Human Swine Influenza A/H1N1 and Other Communicable Diseases in the Workplace**

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In view of confirmed human cases of human swine influenza A/H1N1 (swine flu) infection in Mexico, Hong Kong and other countries, Hong Kong activated the *Preparedness Plan for Influenza Pandemic* and escalated its response level from 'Alert' to 'Emergency'. Employers or responsible persons for workplaces should maintain and upgrade, where necessary, workplace hygiene conditions to ensure protection of their staff and visitors from swine flu and other health hazards.

Please visit the website of the Centre of Health Protection of the Health Department (<http://www.chp.gov.hk/>) for information pertaining to the Government's *Preparedness Plan for Influenza Pandemic* and activation of different response levels. The Occupational Safety and Health Council (OSHC) has also published information on the prevention of swine flu as follows:

- (i) Newsletter for members of the Green Cross Group on the prevention of human swine flu
- (ii) Reference materials on the prevention of human swine flu issued

If you have any enquiries, please contact the Occupational Safety and Health Council on 2739 9000, or website: <http://www.oshc.org.hk>

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