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Dear Doctor,

### Revised Reporting Criteria for Human Influenza A (H5, H7 or H9) Infection

In view of the latest developments in avian influenza globally and to make the reporting criteria clearer to doctors, I would like to draw your attention to the revised reporting criteria (as attached in Annex 1) for human influenza A (H5, H7 or H9) infection with immediate effect.

The revision is based on, and largely concordant with, previous reporting criteria, but is framed on two aspects:

- 1. Each reported case needs to fulfill both the Clinical and Epidemiological Criteria;
- 2. The affected countries and areas are defined as places with documented avian influenza H5 infection in birds (including poultry and wild birds) or indigenous human case of avian influenza in recent 6 months. Please refer to Annex 2 for the list of affected countries as of 26 March 2006.

Patients meeting the reporting criteria should be reported to the Central Notification Office of CHP via (24772770), phone (24772772) or CENO On-line (www.chp.gov.hk/ceno). Please also refer these patients to hospitals for further clinical management and investigation. Latest information of avian influenza will be regularly uploaded to the CHP website (www.chp.gov.hk).

Please also note that the Enhanced Pneumonia Surveillance program started on 8 March 2006 will be extended for 2 more weeks. If relevant, please contact your affiliated hospitals for more information.

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# Reporting Criteria for Human Influenza A (H5, H7, or H9) Infection (*revised on 27 March 2006*)

An individual fulfilling both the *Clinical Criteria* <u>AND</u> *Epidemiological Criteria* should be reported to CHP for further investigation.

## Clinical Criteria

- person with acute respiratory illness, characterized by fever (temperature >38°C) and cough and/or sore throat, <u>OR</u>
- person with severe pneumonia, <u>OR</u>
- person died of unexplained acute respiratory illness

### **Epidemiological Criteria**

- recent (less than 1 week) contact with a human case of Influenza A (H5), Influenza A (H7) or Influenza A (H9), <u>OR</u>
- recent (less than 1 week) contact with diseased poultry, diseased wild bird, or their carcasses in a country / area with documented avian influenza H5 infection in birds in recent 6 months\*, <u>OR</u>
- recent (less than 1 week) contact with diseased poultry, diseased wild bird, or their carcasses in a country / area with documented indigenous human case of Influenza A (H5), Influenza A (H7) or Influenza A (H9) in recent 6 months\*, <u>OR</u>
- worked in a laboratory that is processing samples from persons or animals that are suspected from avian influenza infection

\* The list of country / area with documented avian influenza H5 infection in birds (including poultry and wild birds) and indigenous human case of Influenza A (H5), Influenza A (H7) or Influenza A (H9) in recent 6 months will be regularly updated and posted on CHP website.

#### For Reporting of Human Influenza A (H5, H7, or H9) Infection

## Countries / areas with documented avian influenza H5 infection in birds and human in the recent 6 months

Country/ Area	Date of last report of	Human H5	Poultry H5	Wild bird H5
	human or animal case			
Afghanistan	2006-03-20	X	1	1
Albania	2006-03-23	X	1	X
Austria	2006-02-20	X	X	1
Azerbaijan	2006-03-21	1	1	1
Bosnia and	2006-02-22	X	X	1
Herzegovina				
Bulgaria	2006-02-12	X	X	1
Cambodia	2006-03-24	1	X	X
Cameroon	2006-03-12	X	1	X
China			·	·
Anhui	2006-02-27	1	1	X
Fujian	2006-02-09	1	X	X
Hubei	2005-11-23	X	1	X
Hunan	2006-02-13	1	1	X
Guangdong	2006-03-06	1	X	X
Guangxi	2005-12-07	1	X	X
Guizhou	2006-01-10	x	1	X
Inner Mongolia	2005-11-30	X	1	X
Jiangxi	2005-12-26	1	1	X
Liaoning	2005-12-09	1	1	1
Ningxia	2005-11-23	X	1	X
Shanghai	2006-03-24	1	X	X
Shanxi	2006-02-07	X	1	X
Sichuan	2006-01-25	1	1	X
Xinjiang	2005-11-30	X	1	X
Yunnan	2005-11-23	X	1	X
Zhejiang	2006-02-27	1	X	X
Croatia	2006-03-14	X	X	1
Denmark	2006-03-24	X	X	1
Egypt	2006-03-22	X	1	1
France	2006-03-14	x	1	1
Country/ Area	Date of last report of	Human H5	Poultry H5	Wild bird H5

(Source: WHO and OIE, as of 26 Mar 06)

	human or animal case			
Georgia	2006-03-09	x	X	$\checkmark$
Germany	2006-03-17	x	X	$\checkmark$
Greece	2006-02-24	x	X	$\checkmark$
Hong Kong	2006-03-20	x	X	$\checkmark$
Hungary	2006-03-01	x	X	$\checkmark$
India	2006-03-08	x	1	x
Indonesia	2006-03-21	1	1	x
Iraq	2006-03-01	1	1	x
Iran	2006-02-26	X	1	x
Israel	2006-03-23	X	1	x
Italy	2006-03-02	X	X	$\checkmark$
Kazakhstan	2006-03-21	X	X	$\checkmark$
Malaysia	2006-02-23	X	1	x
Myanmar	2006-03-16	X	1	x
Niger	2006-02-28	X	1	x
Nigeria	2006-03-15	X	1	$\checkmark$
Pakistan	2006-03-03	x	1	x
Poland	2006-03-20	x	x	$\checkmark$
Romania	2006-02-17	X	1	$\checkmark$
Russia	2006-02-16	X	1	x
Serbia and	2006-03-15	X	1	$\checkmark$
Montenegro				
Slovakia	2006-02-24	x	x	$\checkmark$
Slovenia	2006-03-03	x	x	$\checkmark$
Sweden	2006-03-20	x	1	$\checkmark$
Switzerland	2006-03-14	x	x	$\checkmark$
Thailand	2005-12-09	$\checkmark$	1	x
Turkey	2006-03-16	$\checkmark$	1	$\checkmark$
Ukraine	2006-03-11	x	x	$\checkmark$
Vietnam	2006-01-26	1	1	x