The following list includes tools and sample plans in the NACCHO Toolbox—and their descriptions—that could be useful in assisting local health departments (LHDs) with their H1N1 planning and response. The NACCHO Toolbox is a free service available for public use, intended to promote and advance public health objectives. Browse all of NACCHO’s tools at www.naccho.org/toolbox/. NACCHO’s policy statements related to pandemic influenza, which were written by workgroups of NACCHO members, are also included on the list. Links to the tools and resources listed below can be found on the NACCHO Web Site at www.naccho.org/topics/emergency/swine-flu.cfm. Links to federal and legal resources related to H1N1 can also be found on the Web site.

### PANDEMIC PLANNING TOOLS

**At Risk Populations and Pandemic Influenza: Planning Guidance**
This tool contains recommendations for state, territorial, tribal, and local health officials on how to protect at-risk populations during an influenza pandemic. The guidance consists of five chapters with guidance on collaboration with and engagement of at-risk populations; identifying at-risk populations; communications with and education of at-risk populations; provision of clinical and non-clinical services; and how to test, exercise, measure, and improve preparedness of at-risk populations.

**Business Not As Usual: Preparing for Pandemic Flu**
This 20-minute video assists businesses, government agencies, and community-based organizations with pandemic flu planning efforts. Leaders from a variety of organizations are profiled as they prepare for the consequences of an influenza pandemic.

**Influenza Pandemic Response Plan**
This tool guides LHDs on the topics of detection and response to an influenza pandemic event.

**LHD Guide to Pandemic Influenza Planning**
This guide offers an overview of key issues to consider for inclusion in a local jurisdiction’s pandemic influenza plan, questions that should be asked, ideas on where to find necessary information, and partners that could be consulted; examples of ways in which other jurisdictions have addressed topics; and links to information.

**Pandemic Flu Planning Guidance for MRC Units**
This tool identifies specific activities for MRC units to prepare for a pandemic influenza event. It provides a broad range of pandemic influenza planning and response actions that MRC units nationwide can adapt and use.

**Pandemic Flu Preparedness Resources for Business Engagement**
These are downloadable documents prepared by the Seattle & King County Advanced Practice Center and can also be found at www.kingcounty.gov/healthservices/health/preparedness/apc/resources.aspx.

**Pandemic Influenza - A School Planning Toolkit**
This tool can assist LHDs in partnering with schools within their jurisdictions for pandemic emergency preparedness planning. The toolkit is designed to increase awareness of the threat of a pandemic influenza and its impact on the school community and to guide schools in integrating specific pandemic influenza measures into their emergency crisis plans.

**Pandemic Influenza Plan**
This draft plan outlines and LHD’s preparations for and plans for responding to a pandemic influenza. It shows how the Santa Clara County Public Health Department (CA) is working with other local, state, and federal agencies to determine how to best respond to pandemic influenza and to maintain essential healthcare and community services.
Avian Influenza and Pandemic Influenza Presentation
The presentation is both a resource for LHDs to use to educate their communities and a self-study to increase knowledge and awareness of the topic.

No Ordinary Flu
No Ordinary Flu is a comic that illustrates a compelling story through the eyes of a survivor of the 1918 pandemic and connects to the present-day threat. This comic is designed to communicate pandemic flu preparedness messages to limited-English-proficient, non-English-proficient, and low-literacy groups.

Pan Flu and Us
A tool designed for LHDs to engage the home care community to plan for a pandemic influenza.

Pandemic Influenza: Quarantine, Isolation, and Social Distancing - Field Guide for Public Health
This field guide addresses human behavior as a consideration during planning efforts. The document contains checklists for consideration in risk communication, addressing fear, personal protective equipment, compliance, psychological first aid, and stressors unique to healthcare workers.

Preparing for Pandemic Flu Pocket Guide
This tool outlines what the public should know about pandemic influenza; describes the distinctions between seasonal flu and pandemic flu; provides information on what to expect during a pandemic event; and explains how to control the spread of disease. This guide is customizable and can be downloaded in several languages.

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Visit NACCHO’s Toolbox at www.naccho.org/toolbox

Hospital Surge Capacity Toolkit
This tool is intended to assist healthcare facilities in thinking through critical issues related to a healthcare surge and to create comprehensive plans to address these needs.

Medical Mass Care During an Influenza Pandemic - Guide and Toolkit for Establishing Care Centers
This tool helps LHDs to develop plans for mass medical care. The tool provides scalable, operational direction and tools for the establishment of alternative care sites.

Stop the Spread! A Toolkit for Preventing the Spread of Germs in Clinics and Office Settings
This tool focuses on infection control measures clinics and office settings can take to prevent the spread of germs. This toolkit includes office and clinic information, patient education materials, and an audio slide presentation on infection control measures.

Emergency Risk Communication for Public Health Professionals
Developed in collaboration with the University of Washington School of Public Health and Community Medicine, this Web-based introduces emergency risk communication concepts and principles.

Risk Communication and Public Education (CERC) Toolkit
The goal of the CERC toolkit is to provide information and materials to other health departments and assist in the development and organization of public information activities.

Speak First: Communicating Effectively in Times of Crisis and Uncertainty
This is a proven, practical training for building the skills for delivering first messages in the early hours of a crisis.
### Antiviral Use and Distribution: Reports from Demonstration Sites

In 2008, the City of Milwaukee Health Department (WI) and Buncombe County Health Center (NC), in collaboration with regional partners and NACCHO, held exercises to examine operational challenges surrounding the receipt and distribution of antivirals in the event of pandemic influenza.

### Master the Disaster! An Interactive Tabletop Exercise Builder for Public Health Emergencies

Master the Disaster! is an interactive, customizable, emergency preparedness tabletop exercise builder designed specifically for LHDs. This easy-to-use program features seven public health emergency scenarios; step-by-step instructions for planning, designing, conducting, and evaluating a tabletop exercise; and a host of resources, including scripts for each scenario and an extensive photo library and question bank for creating interesting and realistic exercises.

### NACCHO’s Pandemic Influenza Tabletop Exercise Template

This tool was developed and tested by local health officials to help LHDs design and conduct discussion-based tabletop exercises of pandemic influenza response functions. The template includes objectives, points of review, local events, and discussion questions for three pandemic response functions and community containment. **Free copies of the template are available on CD-ROM at the NACCHO Exhibit Booth at NACCHO Annual.**

### Public Health Preparedness Exercise Toolkit with Avian Flu Tabletop

This document summarizes the federal guidance on preparedness exercises and makes this information readily accessible to LHDs. The detailed background information and instructions are specifically intended to guide LHDs through the process of developing their own successful exercise program.

### Sample Clinical Algorithm for Case Management for Pandemic Influenza

This document offers two sample clinical algorithms, one to be used during the early stages of a potential pandemic and a second for when a pandemic has been officially declared.

### Sample Guidance on the Hydration of Influenza Patients at Home

This document is called “Fluids Suitable for Maintenance of Hydration and Management of Mild Dehydration for Influenza Patients in the Home Setting.”

### Sample Household Pandemic Influenza Preparedness Checklist

This document offers a sample for what might be included on a checklist to help households in a jurisdiction prepare for a possible outbreak of pandemic influenza.

### Sample Plan for Vaccination with Strain-specific Influenza Vaccine during an Influenza Pandemic

This document offers an example of tiered priority groups for influenza vaccine in the event of a pandemic when resources will likely be scarce.

### Sample Plans for the Use of Antivirals during a Pandemic

This document provides two plans for the use of antivirals during a pandemic, one plan for a situation prior to the availability of vaccine and one for once a vaccine has been developed.

### Sample Suspect Avian Influenza A (H5N1) Specimen Submittal Form

This document offers a sample for what might be included in instructions for submitting potential influenza A specimens to laboratories.

### Sample Temporary Isolation Order for Pandemic Influenza

This document provides a sample of a temporary isolation order that can be used to hold individuals temporarily until the health officer is notified and able to evaluate whether additional action is needed.
In addition to providing the current tools, NACCHO is interested in knowing if there are tools not currently on the list that LHDs have developed or found useful for H1N1 response/planning or would find helpful in H1N1 response/planning.

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