



Pandemic Planning Initiative

An influenza pandemic is a global disease outbreak. A pandemic occurs when a new influenza virus emerges for which people have little or no immunity person to person, causes serious illness, and can cross the country and the world in a very short time.

It is difficult to predict when the next pandemic will occur or how severe it will be. Whenever and wherever a pandemic starts, everyone around the world is at risk. Countries might, through measures such as border closures and travel restrictions, delay the arrival of the virus, but cannot stop it.

North Eastman Health Association is working in conjunction with Provincial and Municipal officials to design a Pandemic Response Plan that will facilitate a rapid response to our communities.

The North Eastman Health Association [Pandemic Response Plan](#) will include planning related to:

- [Surveillance](#)
- [Protective Public Health Measures](#)
- [Vaccines and Antivirals](#)
- [Health Care and Emergency Response](#)
- [Workforce Support](#)
- [Staff Education](#)
- [Public Education](#)
- [Communications](#)

Please "stay tuned" for more information as we will be updating this link on our website on a regular basis.

Currently more information can be found on Manitoba Health's website www.gov.mb.ca/pandemic.