



**Southern Nevada Weekly Influenza
Surveillance Snapshot
CDC Week 44, October 25, 2020 to October 31, 2020**

Summary: The Southern Nevada Health District (SNHD) Office of Epidemiology and Disease Surveillance (OEDS) began surveillance for the 2020–2021 influenza season on September 27, 2020 and will continue through May 22, 2021. Influenza surveillance for Clark County, Nevada includes data collected from local acute care hospitals and other healthcare providers. As of October 31, 2020, no hospitalized cases or death cases due to influenza have been reported to SNHD for Clark County. Nationwide, during week 44, 1.3% of patient visits reported through the U.S. Outpatient Influenza-like Illness Surveillance Network (ILINet) were due to influenza-like illness (ILI). This percentage is below the national baseline of 2.6%. Seasonal influenza activity in the United States remains low, and the ILI activity level of 52 states/jurisdictions, including the state of Nevada, is minimal.

Influenza reporting requirement in the state of Nevada: A healthcare provider shall report an influenza case that is

1. associated with a hospitalization or death; **OR**
2. part of an influenza outbreak; **OR**
3. known or suspected to be of a viral strain that:
 - a. Has been determined by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) or the World Health Organization (WHO) to pose a risk of a national or global pandemic; **OR**
 - b. Is novel or untypeable.

Reporting influenza cases to SNHD:

1. Report online by completing the Online Provider Disease Reporting Form at <https://www.southernnevadahealthdistrict.org/diseasereports/forms/disease-reporting> (Recommended).
2. Complete and fax the State of Nevada Confidential Morbidity Report Form (attached) to (702) 759-1414.

Key Points:

1. An annual flu vaccine is the best way to protect against flu and its potentially serious complications.
2. If you haven't gotten your flu vaccine yet, [get vaccinated now](#).

If you have any questions on influenza or influenza surveillance, please contact OEDS at (702) 759-1300.

Attachment: State of Nevada Confidential Morbidity Report Form