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### **Pandemic Flu Guidance From OSHA & DHHS**

OSHA recently posted an extensive document entitled *Pandemic Influenza Preparedness and Response Guidance for Healthcare Workers and Healthcare Employers*. It can be downloaded at:

[http://www.osha.gov/Publications/OSHA\\_pandemic\\_health.pdf](http://www.osha.gov/Publications/OSHA_pandemic_health.pdf)

At this time, OSHA's guidance is what it purports to be: timely guidance which does not create any new standards, regulations, duties or legal obligations. You can use this guidance to further develop your clinic's emergency management and infection control plans. For more information about the structure and contents of these management plans, consult *Quality In Complementary & Alternative Medicine* (Kailin, 2006). The text website is: <http://www.qualityincam.com>

A more encompassing set of pandemic flu related documents, maintained by Department of Health and Human Services, is posted at: <http://www.pandemicflu.gov> Use the Health Care Planning menu tab to locate those documents most relevant for healthcare contexts.

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