

Information Sheet

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Pandemic Flu and the Third Sector [it's here so planning and being prepared is over]

How Your Organisation or Group can cope with Swine Flu

Introduction

- Find links to useful online guidance, websites, tools and key contacts across Wales.
- Examples of how your organisation or group can become more actively involved in preparing to support local community emergency responses.

This information sheet will be updated regularly - please let us know if you are aware of any other relevant information that could be added to this guidance by emailing:

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Useful basic guidance on what to do for your organisation or group

[Pandemic Influenza - Supplementary Information for third sector organisations](#)

Clear and easy guide for third sector organisations to plan, prepare and respond to pandemic flu. If you are running an organisation or group providing essential services, it is paramount that you are prepared and have plans in place to keep it functioning through a pandemic. This document provides you with help and guidance on:

- Step 1 - Protecting your organisation (your staff, volunteers, and your client group)
- Step 2 - Planning for the continuity of core activities
- Step 3 - Planning to be able to cope with an increased demand for some services
- Step 4 - Planning to be able to facilitate the response to the pandemic and potential new demands

[The Flu Pandemic Game](#)

The Flu Pandemic Game was originally developed by Camden Primary Care Trust using NHS resources in partnership with Camden Council. It was designed as a training resource for their staff and to help managers of local businesses and voluntary organisations develop their business continuity plans. The Department of Health has adapted the game for use by healthcare and other related organisations.

[Swine Flu Information from the Welsh Assembly Government](#)

Use this web link to access useful and up to date information on the current Swine Flu pandemic. The website includes useful campaign materials, such as 'Catch it. Bin it. Kill it.' leaflets, general swine flu information leaflets and daily updates on the pandemic.

Supporting Your Community: Local Resilience Forums and third sector involvement

[Local Resilience Forums](#) (LRFs) are the principle mechanism for multi-agency co-operation at the local level. They ensure that preparing for emergencies, including flu pandemics, is done in a coordinated, effective way by all local responders working together.

Across Wales there are four regional LRFs: North Wales, South East Wales, Dyfed Powys and Gwent. There are various ways in which the third sector, as a local responder may provide support to these LRFs in a pandemic, particularly with identifying voluntary support to help in key roles such as:

- flu friends
- drivers
- staff at anti-viral centres
- zonal team members
- retired professionals

Third sector involvement within LRFs is varied across Wales and at the local authority level third sector involvement is also determined differently between localities. To find out how your organisation or group can support local planning and preparations or to find out who your key local contact is, get in touch with your local Health and Social Care Facilitator [see list below]. Alternatively contact the national Health and Social Care Facilitator within WCVA, Sarah Timmis: stimmis@wcva.org.uk

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