



CORONAVIRUS - COVID-19 AND THE SEVENTEENTH CIRCUIT

What you need to know today



Agenda

- Influenza-like viruses introduction
- What makes a pandemic
- Historical pandemics
- How a future pandemic might look
- Becoming personally prepared for a pandemic
- Our plan



Coronavirus Update

- **Don't panic**
- Infected 108,000 people around the world
- killed more than 3,800 people
- 14 Florida Residents have tested positive for COVID-19
- 2 deaths in the state



Influenza (or Flu)

- The flu is a contagious respiratory illness caused by a virus.
- It can cause mild to severe illness, and at times can lead to death.
- A person infected with the flu virus can transmit it one-two days before they have symptoms.
- A person infected with the flu virus can transmit it four-five days after symptoms start.



Influenza Spread

Spread by contact with an infected person through:

- Sneezing
- Coughing
- Touching items recently contaminated by a person with the flu virus



Influenza Symptoms

Symptoms include:

- Fever (usually high) and chills
- Body aches
- Sore throat
- Non-productive cough (dry)
- Runny or stuffy nose
- Headache
- Extremely tired (fatigue)
- Diarrhea



Seasonal Flu

- The seasonal flu usually occurs annually between December and March.
- Every year in the US on average:
 - >200,000 people are hospitalized
 - 36,000 people die
- Most people who get the flu recover within 1-2 weeks and do not require medical treatment



The Difference between Seasonal Flu and Coronavirus

- Seasonal flu is predictable where Coronavirus is not predictable
- Coronavirus is caused by a new virus strain that humans have not been exposed to, so they have no natural resistance or immunity to it



What is a pandemic?

- A disease outbreak that rapidly affects many people world wide
- Typical characteristics:
 - New virus that spreads easily as most people are susceptible
 - Effective human-to-human transmission
 - Measured by how fast the virus spreads



Past influenza-like pandemics

Pandemic	Deaths in the US	Deaths Worldwide	Population Affected
Spanish Flu (H1N1) 1918-1919	500,000	40 million	Persons 20-40 years old
Asian Flu (H2N2) 1957-58	70,000	1-2 million	Infants, elderly
Hong Kong Flu (H3N2) 1968-69	36,000	700,000	Infants, elderly
Russian Flu (H1N1) 1977-78	8,300		Persons under 20 years old



Pandemic Waves

- Pandemics occur in multiple waves of disease outbreaks
- The first wave in a local area is likely to last six to eight weeks
- The time between pandemic waves varies and can not be easily predicted.



Preparing for a **CORONAVIRUS** Pandemic

What you can do today



What to Expect

- It is a natural disaster
- Unlike other natural disasters, a pandemic flu is an infectious disease that does not damage buildings
- If the people who keep facilities, transportation and similar public systems are unable to work, daily life will be disrupted
- A pandemic is similar to other disasters because it will disrupt your daily routines
- You will be asked to take personal action to reduce the spread



Practice Healthy Hygiene

- Clean hands often:
 - Wash with soap and water for 20 seconds, or
 - Clean with hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol
- Cover mouth and nose when you sneeze or cough and clean hands afterwards
- Keep hands away from face



Practice Healthy Hygiene

- Regularly clean “high touch” surfaces like cell phones and tablets
- Keep at least a six foot distance from visibly sick people
- Do not shake hands



Prepare at Home

- Plan now to care for yourself or loved ones who get the flu
- Determine what supplies you will need to provide care at home
- Plan how you will care for someone in your household who becomes sick



Stock Up Now

- Reduce your need to go out during a local flu pandemic by stocking extra food, water and supplies at home
- If you do get sick and have extra supplies on hand, you will help reduce the spread of pandemic flu by staying home



Prepare at School

- Ask about plans at your child's school or day care regarding Coronavirus
- Plan to keep your child at home if sick
- There is no reason for parents to particularly worry, for unknown reasons Coronavirus cases in children have been very rare



Prepare at Work

We are working on plans:

- Draft Operation Plan developed; CJ briefed and fine-tuning details
- OSCA and Broward County are implementing weekly conference calls this week
- OSCA ECOs meet Wednesday; finalize plan afterward



Our Plan

- Phase I – Preparation
- Phase II – Initial outbreak in the Seventeenth Circuit
- Phase III – Severe outbreak in the Seventeenth Circuit
- Phase IV – Recovery (between waves and final)



Our Supplies

- We have limited amounts of sanitizer and vinyl gloves in stock.
- Broward County is supplying sanitizers for the public areas.
- Additional supplies are on order and will be distributed when they are received.



Our Hearings

For severe outbreak, only minimum essential hearings will be conducted:

- First appearance;
- Dependency shelter hearings;
- Delinquency detention hearings;
- Domestic violence injunctions;
- Baker Act hearings
- Emergency temporary guardianships;
- Pandemic-related cases;
- Extraordinary writs; and
- Risk Protection Orders; and
- Other cases important to the public as determined by the Chief Judge.



Our Employees

For severe outbreak, employees will be classed into four groups:

Mission-essential employees, needed at work

Mission-essential employees, work from home

Reserve employees, stay home on administrative leave subject to recall

Sick employees, any of the above groups who are ill with flu-like symptoms



STAY HOME

- Employees who feel they have flu-like symptoms should stay home. Notify your doctor and the Department of Health
- Please communicate with your supervisor



ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION YOU CAN CONTACT:
- World Health Organization -
<https://www.who.int/emergencies/diseases/novel-coronavirus-2019>
- Center for Disease Control -
<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov>
- Florida Health Department -
<http://www.floridahealth.gov/diseases-and-conditions/COVID-19>



Thank you

(and please remember
to wash your hands)