



Commend International GmbH made arrangements concerning the influenza pandemic (H1N1) 2009

"[...] In April 2009, the World Health Organization (WHO) received reports of sustained person to person infections with a novel influenza A (H1N1) virus in Mexico and the United States. Subsequent international spread led WHO to declare on 11 June 2009 that the first influenza pandemic in 41 years had occurred. This 2009 pandemic H1N1 influenza virus has now spread worldwide, with confirmed cases of pandemic H1N1 virus infection reported in more than 100 countries in all 6 WHO regions [...]"¹

According to the current topic, Commend International made arrangements to prevent a wave of influenza.

The company doctor introduced several rules of conduct effective since the beginning of August 2009:

- Rules to avoid infections
- Rules for the case of disease
- Rules for caring relatives

Furthermore Commend International recommends the following documents to protect against the influenza:

- [General information from the World Health Organization](#)²
- [Clean hands protect against infection](#)³
- [Advice on the use of masks in the community setting in influenza A \(H1N1\) outbreaks](#)⁴

To avoid an infection, it is very important to act responsible. Commend International has instructed its employees to act according to the aforementioned rules of conduct and according to the documents and information of the World Health Organization (WHO) to prevent the spread of possible infections amongst the employees of the company.

¹ World Health Organization (WHO): Guidelines for Pharmacological Management (20th of August 2009); URL: http://www.who.int/csr/resources/publications/swineflu/h1n1_guidelines_pharmaceutical_mngt.pdf; accessed on 2nd of September 2009

² World Health Organization (WHO): What can I do? (11th of June 2009); URL: http://www.who.int/csr/disease/swineflu/frequently_asked_questions/what/en/index.html; accessed on 2nd of September 2009

³ World Health Organization (WHO): Clean hands protect against infection (2nd of May 2009); URL: http://www.who.int/gpsc/5may/How_To_HandWash_Poster.pdf; accessed on 2nd of September 2009

⁴ Health Organization (WHO): Advice on the use of masks (2nd of May 2009); URL: <http://www.who.int/csr/resources/publications/Adviceusemaskscommunityrevised.pdf>; accessed on 2nd of September 2009