



Pandemic Flu Response Plan

In the event that an individual—Laurelville guest, staff member, or visitor—exhibits flu-like symptoms (fever, chills, cough, sore throat, runny nose, body aches, headache, tiredness, diarrhea or vomiting) while on campus, the following response plan may be implemented if there is reasonable evidence suggesting the possibility of an H1N1 flu outbreak.

- **Communication procedures;** guests visiting Laurelville should be informed upon arrival of Laurelville's commitment to a safe, healthy environment. This includes information about preventive measures they can take while guests of Laurelville as well as the advisement that they should notify Laurelville staff if they begin to exhibit flu-like symptoms in case additional preventive measures should be taken. If an individual does exhibit flu-like symptoms, Laurelville will advise other guests of potential risk and further encourage preventive measures they might take.
- **Quarantine plan;** Witmarsum cabin will be designated as a quarantine accommodation for the individual(s). The potentially infected individual should remain here until symptoms have subsided or it is determined that the individual should receive more urgent medical attention. Laurelville staff will clean and sanitize this space before and after individuals use it as a quarantine location.
- **Medical response;** if an individual exhibits flu-like symptoms and there is reason to believe he/she may be infected with the H1N1 flu virus, he/she should be referred to Frick Hospital (501 S. Church St., Mt. Pleasant, PA 15666) for medical evaluation and emergency attention.
- **Emergency shut-down plan;** if there is reasonable evidence to suggest a large number of H1N1 flu cases have developed at Laurelville, the agency will enact an emergency shut-down procedure in which guests will be instructed to depart campus and all programming and hosted events will be suspended until the campus has been sufficiently decontaminated and deemed safe for guests to return and programs to reconvene. The executive director will determine if such an action is necessary, and communication regarding this decision should be delivered efficiently.
- **Staff policy;** Laurelville staff members should not report to work if they exhibit flu-like symptoms, especially if they show a fever over 100°F. In this instance, they should not return to work until their fever has reduced below 100°F for at least 24 hours without use of medication.

This plan has been developed for use in case of pandemic conditions on campus at Laurelville Mennonite Church Center. It is to be monitored by the executive director and adhered to by all staff members.

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