

Information Update from Department of Health

Swine Flu – Tuesday 16 June 3pm

141 further patients under investigation in England have today been confirmed with swine flu. This brings the total number of UK laboratory confirmed cases identified since April 2009 to 1461, this total does not include the clinically diagnosed cases confirmed by Scotland yesterday.

A Department of Health spokesperson said:

"The localised cases of swine flu found in the UK have so far been generally mild in most people, but are proving to be severe in a small minority of cases.

"We are continuing to work to slow the spread of the disease and to put in place arrangements to ensure that the UK is well-placed to deal with this new infection."

Further Information

If you have flu like symptoms and are concerned, stay at home, if you can go online check your symptoms on the symptom checker on www.nhs.uk or call the swine flu information line on 0800 1 513 513. If you have taken these steps and are still concerned call your GP or NHS Direct.