

Information Update from Department of Health

Swine Flu – Saturday 2 May 3pm

A Department of Health spokesperson said:

"Two new cases have been confirmed today - an adult in the North West and a child in the South East. There are now 15 confirmed cases in the UK – 12 in England and three in Scotland.

"The arrangements in place across the UK are continuing to ensure that we are well-placed to deal with this new infection.

"Everyone needs to play their part to protect and prepare themselves and their families. There are simple steps that everyone can take to help prevent catching colds and flu based on good respiratory and hand hygiene.

"Always use a tissue to catch your sneezes, throw away used tissues where germs can linger and regularly wash your hands."

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.