

Pandemic Flu Update from NHS The Week

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Following negotiations with the BMA General Practitioners Committee (GPC) to agree how the swine flu vaccine will be delivered, Ian Dalton, National Director of NHS Flu Resilience, has this week written to all NHS Chief Executives to share the details of the agreement and set out clear next steps.

All PCTs have been asked to develop plans to identify, communicate with, and vaccinate patients in the at risk groups. Additionally, every NHS organisation is required to develop a plan to vaccinate eligible frontline staff.

Latest figures from the Health Protection Agency show that while numbers of cases of swine flu remain low, there has been a small increase this week.

Read Ian Dalton's letter at:

www.dh.gov.uk/en/Publicationsandstatistics/Lettersandcirculars/Dearcolleagueletters/DH_105116