

Local Health Departments Recruiting Sentinel Providers

Check List

- Think broadly, anyone from Nurse Practitioners to school-based health centers can be a sentinel provider. Internal medicine, general medicine, pediatrics, and emergency medicine, including hospital emergency rooms and others can collect data.
- Identify point of contact (POC) in the sentinel provider's office and make an appointment for a personal recruiting visit.
- Explain influenza surveillance using the recruitment package
 - Sentinel Provider FAQ sheet
 - Data from DIDE website
 - ILI trends
 - Sentinel Provider Data from CDC
 - Enrollment form
 - Collection instructions
- Send the completed enrollment form to DIDE.
- Sentinel Provider work folder from the CDC will be sent from DIDE to your health department
- Deliver the work folder, along with OLS forms for to request specimen sample kit and to submit specimens to the POC.
<http://www.wvdhhr.org/labservices/labs/virology/influenzaSurveillance.cfm>
- Encourage the POC to order the specimen sample kit as soon as possible, it is suggested to order two kits in the beginning
- Keep the lines of communication open.

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