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Public Health LOOK OUT!

- October is **Breast Cancer Awareness Month!** This month is dedicated to promoting awareness on the risks of breast cancer and the importance of screening, early detection, and treatment. In the United States, about 1 in 8 women will develop breast cancer in their lifetime and an estimated 43,600 women will die from breast cancer this year alone. According to the World Health Organization, breast cancer is the most common form of cancer burdening women globally, affecting all levels of modernization. Visit the CDC's [webpage](#) for more information on lowering risk and low-cost breast cancer screening.
- **International Infection Prevention Week** is celebrated October 17th—23rd to highlight the crucial role that Infection Preventionists have in keeping our hospitals and communities safe. Infection prevention and control is essential in reducing the burden of disease and protecting the community against outbreaks of a multitude of infectious agents and diseases. Actively practicing preventive measures and associated recommendations helps the fight against infection! [Visit](#) to learn more about this week!
- **Global Handwashing Day** is observed on October 15th globally to increase awareness and understanding on the significance of handwashing in preventing infectious disease and improving the overall quality of life. Proper handwashing is a pivotal step in the chain of infection prevention and control. Handwashing prevents 1 in 3 diarrheal illnesses and 1 in 5 respiratory infections. Now more than ever, it is important to teach young children how to properly hand wash to reduce the spread of COVID-19 in schools! Visit the CDC's [webpage](#) to learn more about this day of handwashing advocacy.

For the most recent information on COVID-19 in Florida please visit: <https://floridahealthcovid19.gov/>

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DO YOUR PART: GET TESTED | COVID-19 |

You have an important role to play in stopping this pandemic.



If you have symptoms, especially if you've been around someone with COVID-19, you should get tested as soon as possible.

By getting tested, you protect the health of those you love and everyone around you.



Encourage your friends and family to get tested if they have symptoms.



www.cdc.gov/covidtesting

Protect yourself and your baby from COVID-19. Get vaccinated.



- COVID-19 vaccination is recommended for all people 12 years and older, including people who are pregnant, breastfeeding, trying to get pregnant, or might become pregnant in the future.
- The benefits of receiving a COVID-19 vaccine outweigh any known or potential risks of vaccination during pregnancy.
- There is currently no evidence that any vaccines, including COVID-19 vaccines, cause problems trying to get pregnant.
- COVID-19 vaccination in people who are pregnant or breastfeeding builds antibodies that might protect their baby.

Ask your provider about the COVID-19 vaccine.

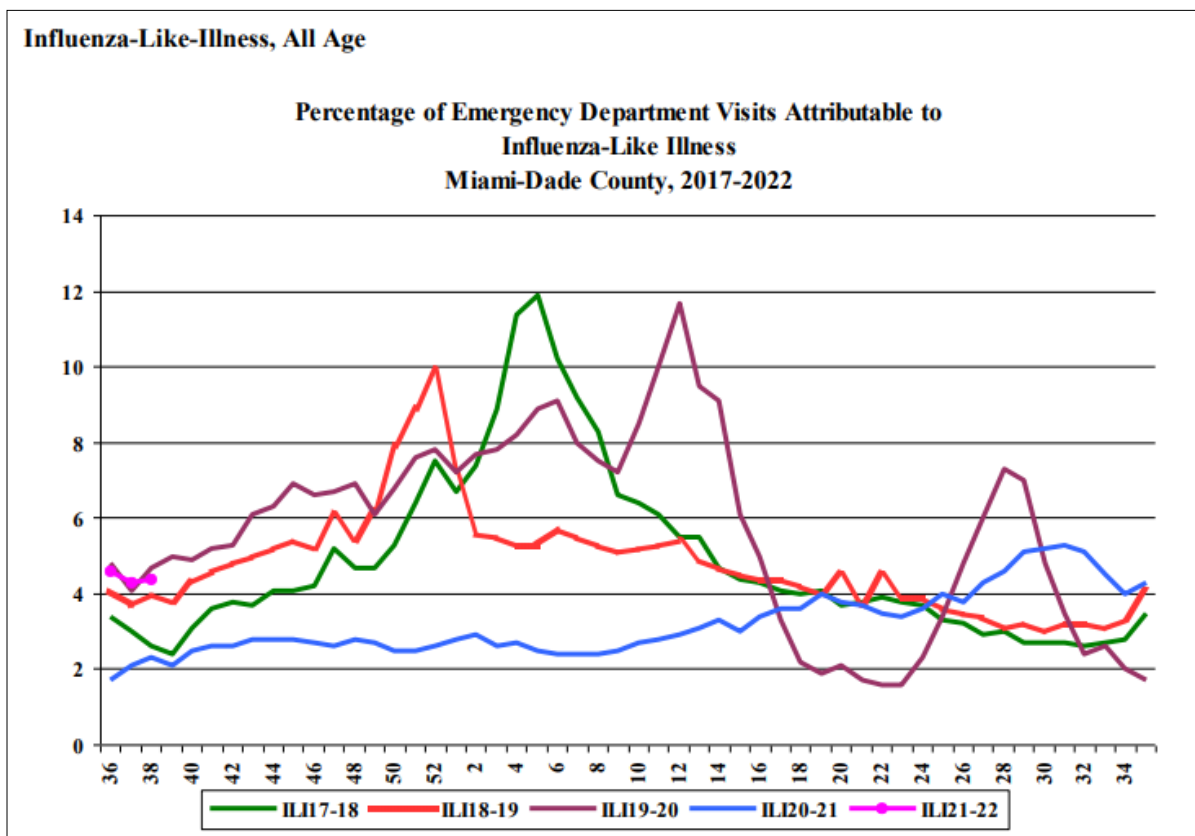


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Influenza Like Illness Surveillance Report

On a daily basis, all of Miami-Dade County's emergency department (ED) hospitals electronically transmit ED data to the Florida Department of Health. This data is then categorized into 11 distinct syndromes. The influenza-like illness (ILI) syndrome consists of fever with either cough or sore throat. It can also include a chief complaint of "flu" or "ILI". This season's 2020-2021 data is compared to the previous 4 influenza seasons (2016-2017, 2017-2018, 2018-2019, 2019-2020).



Across all ages, there were 34,019 ED visits; among them 1,485 (4.4%) were ILI. During the same week last year, 2.3% of ED visits were ILI.

PARTICIPATE IN INFLUENZA SENTINEL PROVIDER SURVEILLANCE

Florida Department of Health in Miami-Dade County NEEDS Influenza Sentinel Providers!

Sentinel providers are key to the success of the Florida Department of Health's Influenza Surveillance System. Data reported by sentinel providers gives a picture of the influenza virus and ILI activity in the U.S. and Florida which can be used to guide prevention and control activities, vaccine strain selection, and patient care.

- Providers of any specialty, in any type of practice, are eligible to be sentinel providers.
- Most providers report that it takes **less than 30 minutes a week** to compile and report data on the total number of patients seen and the number of patients seen with influenza-like illness.
- Sentinel providers can submit specimens from a subset of patients to the state laboratory for virus isolation **free of charge**.

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Miami-Dade County Monthly Report Select Reportable Disease/Conditions August 2021

Diseases/Conditions	2021 Current Month	2021 Year to Date	2020 Year to Date	2019 Year to Date
HIV/AIDS				
AIDS*	33	277	212	290
HIV	135	865	673	967
STD				
Infectious Syphilis*	60	411	287	257
Chlamydia*	1222	9437	7418	10127
Gonorrhea*	527	4169	2735	3138
TB				
Tuberculosis**	11	70	53	84
Epidemiology, Disease Control & Immunization Services				
Epidemiology				
Campylobacteriosis	53	358	360	602
Chikungunya Fever	0	0	0	0
Ciguatera Poisoning	4	10	7	30
Cryptosporidiosis	3	29	13	39
Cyclosporiasis	7	15	2	25
Dengue Fever	0	1	13	82
Escherichia coli, Shiga Toxin-Producing	17	73	34	103
Encephalitis, West Nile Virus	0	0	0	0
Giardiasis, Acute	6	55	71	127
Influenza, Pediatric Death	0	0	0	1
Legionellosis	7	37	16	35
Leptospirosis	1	2	0	0
Listeriosis	3	7	9	1
Lyme disease	0	4	3	2
Malaria	1	3	2	3
Meningitis (except aseptic)	1	9	4	6
Meningococcal Disease	0	3	2	2
Salmonella serotype Typhi (Typhoid Fever)	0	0	0	2
Salmonellosis	139	594	504	648
Shigellosis	7	46	81	197
Pneumoniae, invasive disease	5	33	24	13
Vibriosis	2	14	9	12
West Nile Fever	0	0	17	0
Zika Virus (non-congenital)	0	0	0	20
Immunization Preventable Diseases				
Measles	0	0	0	0
Mumps	0	2	1	54
Pertussis	0	0	9	25
Rubella	0	0	0	0
Tetanus	0	0	0	0
Varicella	1	10	24	104
Hepatitis				
Hepatitis A	0	5	9	29
Hepatitis B (Acute)	3	10	35	21
Healthy Homes				
Lead Poisoning	12	78	46	85

*Data is provisional at the county level and is subject to edit checks by state and federal agencies.

** Data on tuberculosis are provisional at the county level.

Data on EDC-IS includes Confirmed and Probable cases.

What's New at DOH-Miami-Dade:

- Monoclonal Antibody Therapy treatments are now widely available in Florida! Individuals 12 years and older who are high risk and have contracted or been exposed to COVID-19 are eligible. Please visit floridahealthcovid19.gov/monoclonal-antibody-therapy to find a site near you and make an appointment today!
- Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine Booster Shot is now available for eligible persons! Visit www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines/booster-shot to see if you are eligible for a booster shot.
- To find the nearest vaccine site near you by county and city please visit: floridahealthcovid19.gov
- For more information on vaccines in Florida including the number of people vaccinated and updates on availability and prioritization please visit: floridahealthcovid19.gov
- Customer Service Week is being celebrated October 4th—8th! Your opinion about our service is very important to us. Scan the QR code below to complete the customer satisfaction survey and let us know how we are doing!



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Epidemiology and Disease Surveillance	305-470-5660
Hepatitis Program	305-470-5536
HIV/AIDS Program	305-470-6999
Immunization Services	305-470-5660
STD Program	305-575-5430
Tuberculosis Program	305-575-5415
Appointment Line	786-845-0550

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