2013-14 North Dakota Weekly Influenza Update

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Week: 201410
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2686 Total Influenza Cases
132 Hospitalizations
1 LTC Outbreaks
4 Deaths

General Trends
Total influenza cases declined again this week, but reports of lab-confirmed influenza continue to come in regularly. We saw an increase in Influenza B this week, which is typical for this time of year.

Outbreaks
One outbreak in a long term care facility has been reported this season, affecting both residents and health care workers.

Influenza Cases by County

Outpatient Illness Surveillance--Influenza-like Illness (Regional baseline = 1.3)

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North Dakota School Absenteeism Surveillance

School absenteeism was reported at 0.76%.

We will be piloting an exciting, new school absenteeism program starting in 2014! If your school would be willing to participate in our absenteeism surveillance, please contact Jill Baber at jbaber@nd.gov.

Sentinel Laboratory Surveillance

Percent positivity of influenza testing at sentinel laboratories decreased to 6.12%. Percent positivity for RSV also increased to 34.81%, a new high for the season.

National Statistics:
National influenza activity and surveillance information is available from the CDC FluView website at http://www.cdc.gov/flu/weekly/, and is updated every Friday.