Clinical criteria: Does patient have an illness compatible with influenza virus infection (fever $>100^\circ F$, with cough and/or sore throat) based on clinical or radiological evidence?

**Clinical criteria**

**YES**

Patient meets CLINICAL criteria. Determine if the patient meets at least one of the exposure criteria.

**NO**

Patient does not meet clinical criteria. No specimen authorized. Instruct the patient if symptoms worsen to return for re-evaluation.

Exposure criteria: Did the patient have a history of travel from China within 10 days before symptom onset?

**Exposure criteria**

**YES**

Did patient have recent close contact with a symptomatic traveler who developed an influenza-like illness within 10 days after traveling from China?

**YES**

Is patient a member of a cluster of patients being evaluated for influenza H7N9 infection, in consultation with state and local health departments?

**YES**

If NO to all three, then the patient does not meet exposure criteria. No further action needed. Can call ISDH for consultation.

**NO**

Patient does not meet exposure criteria. Place patient in droplet isolation and call ISDH for testing authorization at 317-233-7125. After hours, call 317-233-1325.

**Patient must meet clinical criteria AND exposure criteria for testing authorization**

### Areas of greatest interest in or near China:
- Anhui
- Beijing
- Fujian
- Gansu
- Guangdong
- Guangxi
- Hebei
- Henan
- Hong Kong
- Jiangsu
- Jiangxi
- Liaoning
- Shanghai
- Sichuan
- Yunnan
- Zhejiang
- Tibet

**Close contact** is defined as:
- a) any person who provided care for the patient, including a healthcare worker or family member, or had similarly close physical contact;
- b) any person who stayed at the same place (e.g. lived with, visited) as the patient while the patient was ill. Consult CDC website at [www.cdc.gov](http://www.cdc.gov) for more information. At this time brief interactions, such as walking by a person, are considered low risk and do not constitute close contact.

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