

## Administrative Procedure 165

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### DANGEROUS/INFECTIOUS DISEASES - PANDEMIC

#### Background

The well-being and rights of students and employees shall be the major consideration in the work place and related areas. The Division has its borders inside the Five Hills and Cyprus Health Regions. As such we are a part of the overall strategy in preventing and responding to a possible pandemic outbreak. Regional Health Authorities are responsible for local response.

*“The purpose of Saskatchewan Health’s Pandemic Influenza Preparation Plan is to provide a framework to assist the provincial government, regional health authorities, municipalities, First Nations and other key stakeholders to develop their own plans in preparation for a pandemic.*

*In the event of a pandemic, the priorities at the provincial and local levels will be to assure the ongoing delivery of essential health care services, both for prevention and treatment, while providing assistance to meet the emergency needs of the affected population.*

*The pandemic influenza response plan is a living document that is continuously updated and revised as new information becomes available.*

*This Pandemic Plan provides a mechanism to guide appropriate decision-making and action when in may be needed.”*  
*(Public Pandemic Influenza Plan) March 2006*

#### Procedures

1. Officials within the division will be in contact with the Local Medical Health Officer to develop strategies to deal with a pandemic which would include:
  - 1.1 Prevention and education components.
  - 1.2 Preparation for effects on staff, students and families
  - 1.3 Finding ways to keep our schools operational.

References: Sections 85, 87, 108, 109, 141, 175, 178, 190,  
231, Education Act Public Health Act

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