

**WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION:
PANDEMIC PHASES**

Pandemic Phase	Name	Description
Phase 0 Preparedness Level 0	Inter-pandemic	Inter-pandemic period, No identification of new virus type
Phase 0 Preparedness Level 1		New influenza strain in a single human
Phase 0 Preparedness Level 2	Novel Virus Alert	Human infection confirmed in 2 or more humans
Phase 0 Preparedness Level 3	Pandemic Alert	Human transmission confirmed. Person to person spread in the general population
Phase 1	Pandemic Imminent	Confirmation of onset of pandemic. Several outbreaks in at least one country & spread to other countries
Phase 2	Pandemic	Pandemic Outbreaks and epidemics in multiple countries, spreading region y region across the world
Phase 3		End of first wave Activity in initially affected regions/countries stopped; outbreaks still occurring elsewhere.
Phase 4	Second Wave	Second or subsequent waves. Second outbreak begins in a region 3-9 months after initial wave.
Phase 5	Pandemic Over	Pandemic over, likely 2-3 years after onset.