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News media calls to David Hass at (630) 682-7979, ext. 7374.

Hotline for questions about novel H1N1 influenza now available at DuPage County Health Department

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A hotline for DuPage County residents with questions about novel H1N1 influenza has been opened by the DuPage County Health Department.

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The health department is encouraging residents to increase their hygiene habits heading into flu season, including washing hands, covering coughs and staying home when sick.

Residents can now begin receiving updates on the novel H1N1 flu via Twitter, which is a real-time short messaging service that works over multiple networks and devices. Twitter can be accessed by an individual's computer or cell phone and it will let residents receive news and updates instantly. Those interested in receiving information via Twitter, but do not currently have an account, can sign up by visiting <http://twitter.com/>. Once an account is established, simply add "**ProtectDuPage**" (be sure to put both words together) to your list. It's that simple.

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