

Briefly, our organisation developed a unique pandemic planning tool in conjunction with the HPA. We subsequently presented this to the DH together with the Emergency Planning Leads of the 10 SHAs. It was subsequently recommended by the DH that this software tool should be adopted by the SHAs and their PCTs. In the end only East of England SHA acquired the tool for all 900 of their GP practices. In other areas the recommendation was passed to the PCTs to action. In the end we supplied 42 PCTs representing approximately 3000 GP practices. They were the forward thinking PCTs! In so many others they had the attitude of “we’re not interested”. The hard facts are that most of the remaining PCTs at operational level were / are totally exposed. If it had been the H5N1 outbreak, they and the population would be facing a very serious situation.

If you require a more detail analysis I would be pleased to provide the information. As the WHO have stated that there is still a danger from H5N1 it means that there is a major gap in the contingency planning at GP / Pharmacy level.

Kind regards

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### **PCTs who have purchased iQ Pandemic Flu Planner**

Total – 43 :

NHS Blackburn with Darwen  
NHS Blackpool  
NHS Bolton  
Central & Eastern Cheshire PCT  
NHS Halton & St Helens  
NHS Warrington  
NHS County Durham  
NHS Kirklees  
NHS East Lancashire  
NHS Bedfordshire  
NHS Cambridgeshire  
NHS East & North Hertfordshire  
NHS Great Yarmouth & Waveney  
NHS Luton  
NHS Mid Essex  
NHS Norfolk  
NHS North East Essex  
NHS Peterborough  
NHS South East Essex  
NHS South West Essex  
NHS Suffolk  
NHS West Essex  
NHS West Hertfordshire

NHS Heywood Middleton and Rochdale  
NHS Knowsley  
Liverpool PCT  
City & Hackney PCT  
NHS Greenwich  
NHS Lewisham  
NHS Redbridge  
NHS Southwark  
NHS Westminster  
NHS Manchester  
North Lancashire PCT  
NHS Northamptonshire  
NHS Southampton City  
NHS Bath and North East Somerset  
NHS Bristol  
NHS North Somerset  
NHS South Gloucestershire  
NHS Tameside & Glossop  
NHS Western Cheshire  
NHS Borders