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To: PCPs and IPAs

From: IEHP – Provider Relations

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Subject: Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza A (H5N1) Virus Public Health Advisory

Inland Empire Health Plan (IEHP) has been notified of a Public Health Advisory shared by Riverside University Health System (RUHS) regarding the recent concerns of the Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza A(H5N1) Virus recently reported in multiple states.

To download a copy of the Public Health Advisory or to learn more about this virus, visit providerservices.iehp.org > News & Updates > Public Health Advisory or https://www.providerservices.iehp.org/en/news-and-updates/public-health-advisory

The United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) has reported detections of the virus in recent months in multiple states, including Texas. No cases have been reported in California and the current risk to the public is classified as low. Additionally, no cattle related H5N1 exposure has been reported in Riverside County at this time. The USDA does advise caution to individuals who specifically work with infected birds, cattle, and other animals as they are at higher risk of infection.

If you have any questions, please contact the IEHP Provider Call Center at (909) 890-2054, (866) 223-4347 or email <u>ProviderServices@iehp.org</u>

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