



## **Emmanuel College within The University of Queensland Arrangements in the Event of Influenza H1N1 (Human Swine Flu)**

As you may be aware, a decision has been made at a national level to introduce a range of additional measures to reduce the spread of influenza H1N1 09 (Human Swine Flu). These measures are a response to the fact that Australia has moved from the Pandemic Influenza phase **Delay** to the current phase **Contain**. The key Government objective of the **Contain** phase is to limit the spread of the virus.

In the event of a confirmed case of Influenza H1N1 (Human Swine Flu) in a student studying at Emmanuel College, special arrangements will be put in place to look after our students. An area of the College has been designated for the quarantining of infected students, and students will be required to remain in this area for a period of seven (7) days. The College will follow medical advice for the care of students.

General preventative advice had been given to all students in the Emmanuel College community as the following guidelines:

*All Emmanuel College students and staff are encouraged to be vigilant about their health:*

- *Wash your hands frequently with soap and warm water. Skin sanitisers are available at the entrance to the dining hall for use prior to meals.*
- *Cover your nose and mouth with a tissue when you cough or sneeze (then throw out the tissue).*
- *Common symptoms include fever, cough, sore throat, body aches, headache, chills and fatigue. If you have a fever along with other symptoms please call your doctor to determine whether you should be tested for flu.*
- *If you do have the flu, please inform the office so that the correct measures can be taken to isolate you and to avoid infecting others.*

Queensland Health continues to closely monitor this situation and should it change, the College community will be advised immediately. Please stay informed by paying attention to media reports.

If you have any questions about symptoms or illness you can call 13HEALTH (13 43 25 84) 24 hours a day, seven days a week or contact your regular health practitioner.

For other information please contact Emmanuel College Reception on 07 3871 9100.