THREE CASES OF HINI IDENTIFIED AT UWI, MONA

The University of the West Indies, Mona has identified three confirmed cases of Influenza A (HINI) among members of the student population. The affected persons and others with flu-like symptoms have been isolated. The Public Health Department of the Ministry of Health has visited the Campus and instituted the necessary public health measures.

As a precaution and containment measure, The UWI, Mona advises any member of staff or student who may have symptoms of influenza to stay home and to contact the nearest health practitioner. They should not to report to the Campus until they have been properly assessed.

Non-Jamaicans students with such symptoms should report to the Student Services Manager or Resident Advisors in the hall of residence to which they have been assigned, or go to the University Health Centre, which will be open on the weekend.

Out of an abundance of caution, The UWI, Mona has decided to cancel all social events scheduled to take place at the Campus for the next seven days. Based on the advice of the Ministry of Health, it is not necessary to suspend classes.

The UWI, Mona is working closely with the Ministry of Health and wishes to assure the public that the situation is being closely monitored by the Administration and the public health authorities. Steps are also being taken to minimise the spread of the infection. Further updates will be issued as necessary.

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