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Lab Testing Protocols for H1N1 Flu Virus:

Who should be tested in the ambulatory setting?

- Outpatients who have Influenza Like Illness (ILI) within 7 days of close contact with a person who is a confirmed case of H1N1 (human swine influenza) Outpatients who have an ILI within 7 days of travel to Mexico

Who should be tested in the **EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT** and hospital setting?

- Patients hospitalized with influenza like illness (ILI)
- Patients in the emergency department who are expected to be admitted with ILI
- Patients in the emergency department who are not expected to be admitted should be tested in accordance with the guidelines for ambulatory settings above.