

# OSHA Avian Flu General Precautions Quick Card



Quick card on the symptoms of flu in humans and causes of infection as well as treatment and general precautions.

## **Avian Flu General Precautions**

Avian flu is a viral disease and it can be very contagious and even deadly in poultry (e.g., chickens). Of great concern are the highly pathogenic avian influenza (HPAI) H5N1 viruses that have killed millions of birds and infected humans in other countries. If these viruses are detected in the U.S. or if you travel on work assignments or are employed in countries that have HPAI H5N1 outbreaks, take appropriate precautions.

## **Avian Flu Symptoms in Humans**

Range from fever, cough, sore throat and muscle aches; to diarrhea, eye infections, pneumonia and severe respiratory diseases. The symptoms of vian influenza may depend on which virus caused the infection but are often similar to...