

Executive Order 2006-16
To Provide Monies from the Health Crisis Fund to Promote
Influenza Control and Management

WHEREAS, influenza causes significant disease and approximately 700 deaths in Arizona every year; and

WHEREAS, each year more and more patients afflicted with influenza crowd Arizona's emergency rooms, and strain emergency room capacity; and

WHEREAS, educating the public about infection control measures can reduce illness and death from influenza; and

WHEREAS, implementing a campaign to increase the number of Arizonans that are immunized for influenza will save lives; and

WHEREAS, educating the public about self-care and when it is appropriate to seek the care of a physician should decrease crowding in emergency rooms and improve overall care during this influenza season;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Janet Napolitano, Governor of the State of Arizona, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Arizona Constitution and the laws of the State, declare a significant potential for a health crisis in the State, and hereby order as follows:

1. Pursuant to A.R.S. § 36-797, the sum of seventy-five thousand dollars (\$75,000.00) shall be transferred from the Health Crisis Fund to the Department of Health Services to educate the public about how to prevent influenza infections and where to seek appropriate care.
2. The Department of Health Services shall expend all moneys transferred pursuant to this Order on measures to educate the public about how to prevent influenza infections and where to seek appropriate care, and shall report to the Legislature and the Governor by December 31, 2007 on the expenditure of all sums so transferred.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona.


GOVERNOR

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this 2nd day of November in the Year Two Thousand and Six and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Thirty-First.

ATTEST:


SECRETARY OF STATE

