Risk Factors of H1N1

A preliminary analysis of 152 hospitalized patients from New York City shows that at least 82% have belonged to one or more groups at higher risk of severe illness or complications from influenza. Those at higher risk of flu complications include:

- * People who are over 65, under age 2, or pregnant
- * People with chronic lung problems, such as asthma or emphysema
- * People with chronic heart, kidney, liver or blood disorders
- * People with neurological disorders that can cause breathing problems
- * People with diabetes
- * People whose immune systems are weakened due to illness or medication
- * People under 18 years who are on long-term aspirin therapy