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Preparing for the Next Pandemic

# Pandemic Antiviral Protection Program

# Antiviral Stockpiling Program

“The Federal Government strongly encourages all public and private sector employers, regardless of size, to plan for a pandemic, to protect the health of employees and assure continuity of operations. Influenza antiviral drugs (antivirals) are one of several approaches to protecting people during a pandemic and can serve as an important part of a layered approach to pandemic mitigation.”

[Pandemicflu.gov](http://Pandemicflu.gov)

# Small Business at Risk

- ❖ Institute for Business & Home Safety
  - ❖ 25% of businesses do not reopen following a major disaster
- ❖ Disaster Recovery Journal
  - ❖ 50% of businesses which sustain interruptions of a week or more never recover

# Antiviral Stockpiling Program

- Identification of Need
- Genesis of Program

# Rationale

- ❖ Protect employees with high exposure risk
- ❖ Protect employees critical to essential operations
- ❖ Assure early treatment for employees who become ill
- ❖ Maintain Business Continuity
- ❖ Protect overseas employees and those who must travel

# Considerations

- ❖ Legal and Liability Issues
  - ❖ Storing/Dispensing
- ❖ Ethical Concerns
- ❖ Determining Amount to Stockpile
- ❖ Determining when to dispense stockpile

# Program Parameters

- ❖ No minimum quantities
- ❖ Eliminate need for onsite health service
- ❖ Maximize flexibility
- ❖ Maximize service and ease of use
- ❖ Minimize cost
  - ❖ Keep program costs low
  - ❖ Protection from predatory pricing
- ❖ Minimize commitment