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**Sent:** 8/2/2020 9:30:40 PM  
**To:** Robinson, Michael J (HHS/ASPA) [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** RE: H1N1 vs COVID; A TALE OF 2 PANDEMICS

Ah models, I can manipulate models to make it what I want...we all do and this is the issue with models

Point is there is no need to test the way we are for covid..we test symptomatic, higher risk, suspect cases...we do not go about testing testing for it is true we limit resources...we could never contact trace positive cases correctly. So the response to H1N1 was actually more close to correct, what is being done for covid or done is wrong...just wrong...politics.

We focus on our higher risk people, we lock them down, message to all to safeguard older folk in your homes and old aged homes, message proper mitigation actions, and go on...we ensure hospitals have the infrastructure in place and we go on...it settles out in time.

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And

#6, but think that was due to modeling that showed low death rate

On: 02 August 2020 14:24,  
"Robinson, Michael J (HHS/ASPA)" [REDACTED] wrote:

Hi

#4?

Some would also say it's an election year and many more people have iPhones w/ curated feeds and great virtual reach; see this:

"In 2009, the number of smartphones sold worldwide added up to 170 million. By 2015, this figure stood at more than 1.4 billion"

<https://www.statista.com/statistics/266219/global-smartphone-sales-since-1st-quarter-2009-by-operating-system>

I believe we're now at 3.8B users worldwide -to me, our pandemic response plans need to better account for people driving news more than agencies like HHS managing news; we also always assume in our planning that expert leadership has clear and unchain messages -it's good that SMEs say response will change with emerging data, but laypeople don't understand that (or do and can't keep up with the changes). They would like to hear it (once, maybe twice), pack it and live life as normal with fewer disruptions and with little change.

Another critical point, is that there were significantly fewer deaths w/ H1N1 -even over a full year:

"From April 12, 2009 to April 10, 2010, CDC estimated there were 60.8 million cases (range: 43.3-89.3 million), 274,304 hospitalizations (range: 195,086-402,719) and **12,469 deaths** (range: 8868-18,306) in the United States due to the (H1N1)pdm09 virus."

<https://www.cdc.gov/flu/pandemic-resources/2009-h1n1-pandemic.html>

H1N1, pneumonia and influenza deaths in the US, for 2009 came in just under, 67,000 total.

The latest CDC forecast predicts 168,000 to 182,000 total COVID-19 deaths will be reported by August 22.

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/covid-data/forecasting-us.html>

V/r,  
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On: 02 August 2020 12:52

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1. For H1N1 pandemic in 2009, they came out, said it once or twice, take precautions and that was it, society was left to go on
2. No Fab 4 or Fab 5
3. No shut down for H1N1 or any school closure; NONE
4. Children were at great risk but no focus on H1N1 for that
5. No testing Czar, no daily reporting of cases, deaths, NONE

6. Administration ordered CDC to stop testing after 4 months, ALL states stopped testing; for COVID testing and results each day
7. No issue about websites and where data came from etc.
8. No Dr. Fauci making statements that confuses even me; no need for googles, thank god
9. No media focus or obsessions; no 24/7 news
10. Children many times more at risk of infection and illness and death from H1N1; but no focus by the media or obsession; H1N1 was even more difficult than seasonal influenza
11. Both seasonal influenza and H1N1 had more deaths for children and infection and illness, but no focus by the media etc.

What is the difference? I have looked at all the data, all aspects, only one issue, I think I can see what it is; do you?

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