

What Pet Owners Need to Know

- Canine Influenza Virus (CIV) is not the same as Canine Parainfluenza or Bordetella. Many different pathogens can play a role in canine (kennel) cough. Talk to your veterinarian about the vaccination options that are most appropriate for your dog.
- Canine influenza is highly infectious and the virus spreads very quickly from dog to dog.
- Canine influenza H3N8 has been documented in 40 states and the District of Columbia.
- Canine influenza virus can be spread by direct contact with respiratory discharge from infected dogs, through the air via a cough, bark, or sneeze, and by contact with contaminated objects such as dog bowls and clothing.
- To prevent the spread of disease, wash your hands with soap and water or disinfect them with an alcohol-based hand sanitizer after contact with dogs.
- Dog owners whose dogs are coughing or showing other signs of respiratory disease should not participate in activities or bring their dogs to facilities where other dogs can be exposed to the virus.
- Call your veterinarian immediately if your dog has the following symptoms:
 - Coughing
 - Discharge from the nose or eyes
 - Loss of appetite
 - Lethargy/lack of energy
- More information is available at doginfluenza.com.

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This map does not reflect cases of Canine Influenza H3N2

