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According to Arthur Baer, Chairman of the Board of Supervisors, the County continues to have no positive cases of swine flu, a proactive approach has been initiated for county residents to activate a hot line number as a point of contact for all questions about the H1N1 swine flu only. Residents can call 828-1212. The public is also encouraged to use the NYSDOH information hot line by calling 1-800-808-1987 or visit these web sites for the most current updated information: www.nyhealth.gov, www.cdc.gov, www.columbiacountyny.com, or www.who.int.

In addition, Public Health Director Nancy Winch stated that the department continues to use the emergency preparedness plan already in place, that includes increased surveillance, protocols, education and awareness about swine flu influenza A (H1N1), in conjunction with the New York State Health Department, Center for Disease Control (CDC), and the World Health Organization (WHO) to get the most up-to-date information and protocols.