## Mobile Messaging as Surveillance Tool during Pandemic (H1N1) 2009, Mexico

## **Technical Appendix**



Figure 1. Pandemic (H1N1) 2009 mobile phone unstructured supplementary service data survey questions, Mexico, 2009. Ex, example.

| Table. Characteristics | of respo | ondents and | ILI | cases from | a mobile | messaging | technology | / survey | , Mexico, | 2009 |
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| Characteristic                         | All respondents | Cases (n = 9,333) |                       |                    |  |  |  |
|--|-----------------|-------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|--|--|--|
|  | (n = 56,551)    | All               | Nonsevere (n = 4,735) | Severe (n = 4,598) |  |  |  |
| Age, y                                 | 24.7 (10.5)     | 23.6 (10.5)       | 23.5 (10)             | 23.8(11.2)         |  |  |  |
| Severe disease, %                      | NA              | 49.3              | NA                    | NA                 |  |  |  |
| No. who received influenza vaccine, %  | 25.9            | 26                | 26.1                  | 25.9               |  |  |  |
| No. persons with ILI in household      | 0.3 (1.0)       | 1.2 (1.9)         | 0.8 (1.5)             | 1.6 (2.1)          |  |  |  |
| Location, %                            |                 |                   |                       |                    |  |  |  |
| Mexico City                            | 35.8            | 39.1              | 39.9                  | 38.4               |  |  |  |
| Nuevo Leon                             | 17.5            | 12.6              | 13.4                  | 11.9               |  |  |  |
| San Luis Potosi                        | 11              | 11.9              | 11.7                  | 12.1               |  |  |  |
| Quintana Roo                           | 2.5             | 2.2               | 2.3                   | 2.1                |  |  |  |
| Rest of Mexico                         | 32.7            | 33.9              | 34.2                  | 33                 |  |  |  |
| Household size†                        | 4.9 (2.2)       | NA                | NA                    | NA                 |  |  |  |
| No. persons <15 y of age in household† | 1.7 (1.4)       | NA                | NA                    | NA                 |  |  |  |

\*Results are mean (SD) unless otherwise indicated. ILI, influenza-like illness; NA, not applicable. Missing or implausible values: age (n = 1,447) and influenza vaccination (n = 45), and persons with ILI in household (n = 329).

†Available only for noncases.



Figure 2. Reported number of nonsevere and severe cases of influenza-like illness in Mexico, April 2009, from unstructured supplementary service data survey and proportion of severe disease relative to total disease. Daily proportion of reported severe cases was smoothed by using a 5-day moving average.