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<b>Title:</b>	<b>Nagpur - Spurt in influenza-like illness cases, patients test Covid -ve but H1N1 suspected, Maharashtra</b>			
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Weather variations have led to a spurt in cases of influenza-like illness (ILI) in the last few days though only mild patients have been seen so far. Private hospitals said many of these patients are testing negative for Covid but remain suspect cases of swine flu. Pulmonologist Dr Ravindra Sarnaik said over 80% of these suspected swine flu cases are recovering on OPD treatment basis while only a few are needing hospitalization if they have pneumonia and other respiratory illness.

Doctors said the Nagpur Municipal Corporation (NMC) has made only Covid test mandatory and hence, not all patients are getting tested for H1N1.

Officially, the NMC so far has no case of swine flu. For the last two years the city didn't report any H1N1 case.

Consultant pulmonologist Dr Vikram Rathi has been seeing more post-Covid patients with respiratory issues than ILI patients. Dr Rathi said if ILI is detected then swine flu and Covid test is usually done.

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Pediatrician Dr Kush Jhunjunwala said the usual scenario for patients with cold, cough and fever has been observed but they are recovering in two to three days. "Covid-apt behaviour and use of mask has helped reduce ILI and SARI patients in the last one year. We used to see lots of kids with pneumonia which has gone down. There is a dip of 50 to 60% in asthma patients too. As the monsoon has just begun, we may see influenza patients in the next 15 days," he said.

Pediatric intensivist Dr Vivek Charade said though ILI has been seen in kids, he is yet to get a swine flu patient. "Right now we are not prescribing swine flu test as patients are not serious. Acutely ill, breathing difficulty and coughing cases are only sent for a test. Cases of swine flu and other communicable diseases have gone down because of the lockdown," he said.

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