

## Physician Letter – Oseltamivir Influenza Antiviral Prophylaxis Letter (Staff)

Date:

Dear Physician:

**Re: Influenza Antiviral Prophylaxis for \_\_\_\_\_**

This person has been advised to take influenza antiviral chemoprophylaxis (oseltamivir) because of an outbreak of Influenza at their place of work.

They may only return to work when they have started prophylaxis that must continue until the outbreak is over (usually 8 days after the last case) or 14 days after vaccination, if the outbreak has not been declared over before this interval.

Information on contraindications, precautions, adverse effects and dosage can be found in the product monograph for **Tamiflu™ or Oseltamivir (antiviral)** in the CPS.

Oseltamivir is effective against both Type A and Type B influenza.

If the antiviral is discontinued prior to completion of treatment, or if this person has a valid medical contraindication for the use of these antiviral medications it is the persons responsibility to notify the employer for possible reassignment or exclusion from work.

Thank you.

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