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Movie for Foreigners living in Japan on how to overcome novel influenza epidemic -Tips for Coping with Pandemic Influenza-

The Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare announced today that it has posted on its homepage, the English version of the pandemic influenza movie "Tips for Coping with Pandemic Influenza"

This movie was originally made back in 2009 for Japanese-speaking people, to provide appropriate information on how to overcome a novel influenza pandemic at the time. That English-translated version has been edited further in order to provide the same information to people living in Japan but who don't have enough Japanese language skills.

According to a report by the National Institute of Infectious Diseases, influenza season has reached epidemic proportions since December 5th, 2014 in Japan.*

* http://www.mhlw.go.jp/file/06-Seisakujouhou-10900000-Kenkoukyoku/0000067640.pdf

The Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare strives to conduct major efforts in order to prevent the spreading of influenza and also provide correct information to everyone about this or any other infectious disease.

The clip runs for 12' 30" and is available on the MHLW channel under the title **"Tips for Coping with Pandemic Influenza**" and also on the URL: http://youtu.be/j9REAM329LI



