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Websites on 'Bird Flu'

World Health Organization - http://www.who.int/csr/disease/avian_influenza/en/

The WHO website contains latest information on the outbreaks, fact sheets, FAQ's, recent guidelines and recommendation on the 'avian flu' outbreak.

CDC Avian flu website - <http://www.cdc.gov/flu/avian/>

This is a comprehensive source of information on avian flu. The website starts with the basic differences between the avian, pandemic and seasonal flu, key facts, current situation, prevention, information for specific groups like health professionals, public and travelers.

Singapore Government website on Bird flu - <http://www.flu.gov.sg/>

The Singapore Government website contains detailed information for the public on the disease including information on the types of flu and their differences, precautions to be taken, handouts for public, posters and a video clip on hygiene tips for kids. The website also contains a 'quick answer' section containing answers to queries from public.

Medline Plus - <http://www.nlm.nih.gov/medlineplus/birdflu.html>

The medline plus contains links to authentic sources of information on the avian flu outbreak.

Science and Development Network - http://www.scidev.net/ms/bird_flu/

This website contains latest updates, questions and answers, news, web links and a glossary on avian flu.

China.org - <http://www.china.org.cn/english/features/bird/85696.htm>

This website contains information on outbreaks in China and abroad, questions and answers, tips on prevention and links to resources on avian flu on the internet.

Fluwiki - <http://www.fluwikie.com/>

A 'wiki' is a type of web page that can be edited by anyone and means 'rapidly' in Hawaiian language. The 'Wikipedia' is one such example. 'Fluwiki' is an open source information on avian flu that contains the latest news, questions and answers and a discussion forum on the avian flu.

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