

Area of policy response	WHO Phase 4 Small cluster of cases with limited person-to-person transmission	WHO Phase 5 Large cluster(s) of cases with person-to-person transmission	WHO Phase 6 Increased and sustained transmission in general population (pandemic confirmed)	
			UK alert level 1 Cases outside the UK	UK alert levels 2–4 Outbreaks in the UK
Advice on social gatherings, such as attending UK sporting or arts events and conferences	Business as usual.			Business as usual for as long and as far as that is possible, subject to good hygiene precautions, including robust advice to customers that they should stay at home if they are ill or have influenza-like symptoms. If schools and early years childcare facilities are advised to close to children, information will be made available to parents and carers to enable them to assess the risks of infection associated with different out-of-school activities so that they can act appropriately to protect children. In the early stages of Phase 6, the Government may advise against holding international events in the UK if delegates, teams or performers are expected from affected countries.