Fourth H1N1 case treated (31/5/2552)

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Thailand has its fourth confirmed case of H1N1 influenza but the patient has fully recovered, Public Health Minister Witthaya Kaewparadai said on Sunday.

Mr Witthaya said the 50-year-old male patient, whose name was undisclosed, returned from the United States on Monday night, and he started to have flu symptoms the following day.

The patient went to a local hospital on Friday, and his saliva samples were examined by the Department of Medical Sciences' National Influenza Centre and Siriraj Hospital.

Both confirmed that the samples contained the H1N1 strain.

However, the patient had fully recovered.

Health officials also gave doses of Oseltamivir to five of his family members for five consecutive days.

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