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There is no let up in OPD numbers of patients seeking treatment from seasonal flu and influenza in the state capital. Cases of viral fever in some instances are reoccurring, according to experts.

"Some people with intermittent high fever have been found to be on self-medication. Taking antibiotics, without consultation of medical practitioner is not recommended," said a government doctor in DIG Bungalow. Diagnosis for flu like symptoms usually is accompanied by Covid-19 test, chest X-ray and pathological tests.

Most government hospitals are reporting higher number of OPD numbers. In some cases flu OPD is up by almost 20% in last week.

Nobel hospital medical director Dr Padma Mishra said, "After the pandemic, people are proactive in getting diagnosed for flu and other related symptoms. It is best to get medical treatment and diagnosis at the earliest."

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Flu can also be related to vector borne ailments like dengue, malaria and chikungunya. Experts are calling on the health department to collect patient serum and should be sent to NIV Pune at the earliest.

"Once we identify which variant is prevalent a more scientific line of treatment can be established," said a consultant, seeking anonymity. Dengue for instance has four variants.

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