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FRIDAY UPDATE

September 6, 2024

CDC's Public Health Emergency Preparedness (PHEP) program is a critical source of funding, guidance, and technical assistance for state, local, and territorial public health departments to strengthen their public health preparedness capabilities and improve their response readiness. The Division of State and Local Readiness (DSLRL) Friday Update provides information and resources for PHEP recipients and other preparedness planners. Please share the newsletter with your colleagues.

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CDC's next PHEP Connects webinar, "Enhancing Response and Recovery Coordination in Rural, Frontier, and Tribal Communities," is scheduled for **1 p.m. EDT on Wednesday, September 11**. The presenters below will share insights from real-life scenarios and actionable steps to improve coordination in rural and frontier communities.



Rick Tull from the Texas Department of State Health Services will discuss challenges and solutions in coordinating response and recovery efforts in rural and frontier communities. These efforts include addressing wildfires, tornadoes, and vector control threats.

Keira Wickliffe Berger from DSLR's Capacity Building and Technical Assistance Development Branch will address rural, frontier, and tribal coordination in the context of the PHEP exercise framework. Lastly, Lynda

Zambrano of the National Tribal Emergency Management Council and the Northwest Tribal Emergency Management Council will present examples and strategies to enhance coordination with tribal communities. Following is the participant information.

Participant Information

Dial-In: (669) 254-5252 (Audio only)

Meeting ID: 161 241 1865

Passcode: 569595

Access Link: <https://www.zoomgov.com/j/1612411865>

CDC Schedules Office Hours Session for PHEP BP1 CoA Response Workbooks

CDC will host two office hour sessions for PHEP recipients who have questions or concerns regarding completion of their PHEP Budget Period 1 (BP1) budget-related conditions of award (CoA) response workbooks. Following are details regarding the sessions.

- **10 a.m. to 11 a.m. EDT on Wednesday, September 11:** <https://www.zoomgov.com/j/1614571242>
- **1 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. EDT on Monday, September 16:** <https://www.zoomgov.com/j/1612542388>
- **8 p.m. to 9 p.m. EDT on Monday, September 16:** <https://www.zoomgov.com/j/1600442614>

Recipients can also send questions to DSLRITSupport@cdc.gov and copy their project officers.

The deadline to submit the CoA responses is **Monday, September 30**.



CDC Study Shows Early Flu Antiviral Treatment Decreases Risk of Death

Pneumonia is common in adults hospitalized with laboratory-confirmed influenza, but the association between timelines of influenza antiviral treatment and severe clinical outcomes in patients with influenza-associated pneumonia is not well characterized. This [CDC study](#), published in the journal *Clinical Infectious Diseases*, suggests starting antiviral drug treatment early reduces death in adults hospitalized with flu.



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Preparedness and Response Resources

NACCHO Announces New Webinar Series on Outbreak Response in Healthcare Settings

The National Association of County and City Health Officials (NACCHO) is offering a new webinar series for local health departments on outbreak response and prevention in health care settings. In this four-part webinar series, participants will learn how to use NACCHO's new customizable workbooks on health care-acquired infections and antimicrobial resistance (HAI/AR), explore successful applications of local data utilization and management, dive into the fundamentals of health equity, and learn about the critical role of strategic collaboration in such settings. The sessions are scheduled for **2 p.m. EDT on September 10, September 17, September 24, and October 1.**

To learn more and register, visit [Outbreak Response and Prevention in Healthcare Settings Webinar Series](#).

NETEC Releases National Special Pathogen System Path to Preparedness Training

The National Emerging Special Pathogens Training and Education Center (NETEC) will host a training from **1 p.m. to 2 p.m. EDT on Wednesday, September 11.** During the training, participants will learn about the history, mission, and vision of the National Special Pathogen System (NSPS), a nationwide system for preparing for and responding to special pathogens, as well as the minimum capabilities required for health care facilities in the tiered system of care. Participants will also hear from representatives of different U.S. Department of Health and Human Services regions who will share their experiences and best practices for implementing the NSPS in their regions.

Interested participants can find the [NETEC Training registration information here](#).

SNS September Office Hours to Focus on H5N1 Issues

The Strategic National Stockpile (SNS) in the Administration for Strategic Preparedness and Response will host its next SNS office hours session at **4 p.m. EDT on Wednesday, September 18.** This session will focus solely on issues and inquiries related to avian influenza A(H5N1), with an emphasis on guidance for protecting farmworkers and processes for requesting antiviral drugs and personal protective equipment from the SNS.

To ensure maximum benefit from this session, participants are strongly encouraged to submit questions in advance to sns-slft@hhs.gov (please use the following subject heading: "SNS Office Hours – H5N1 Update") by **Friday, September 13.**



News You Can Use

Ready.gov Commemorates National Preparedness Month

This September, [Ready Campaign's 2024 National Preparedness Month](#) will focus on Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander communities and highlight why it is important for these diverse communities to prepare for disasters and build resilience before disaster strikes. National Preparedness Month is an opportunity for local health departments and Medical Reserve Corps (MRC) units to raise awareness about the importance of preparing for disasters and emergencies that could happen at any time. Visit [Ready.gov](#) to learn more.



Online Resources

CDC MMWR Reports

- [Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report, September 6](#)
- [Contact Tracing for Mpox Clade II Cases Associated with Air Travel — United States, July 2021–August 2022](#)
- [Leptospirosis Outbreak in Aftermath of Hurricane Fiona — Puerto Rico, 2022](#)
- [Oropouche Virus Disease Among U.S. Travelers — United States, 2024](#)
- [Notes from the Field: E-Cigarette and Nicotine Pouch Use Among Middle and High School Students — United States, 2024](#)
- [QuickStats: Percentage of Children and Adolescents Aged ≤17 Years Who Used Telemedicine During the Past 12 Months, by Age Group and Year — United States, 2021–2023](#)

CDC Online Resources

- **UPDATED** [Measles Cases and Outbreaks](#)
- **UPDATED** [COVID Data Tracker](#)
- **UPDATED** [CDC Respiratory Virus Updates](#)
- **UPDATED** [Weekly U.S. Influenza Surveillance Report](#)
- **UPDATED** [RSV VaxView](#)
- **NEW** [H5N1 Informational Videos](#)

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