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FRIDAY UPDATE

June 21, 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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Next PHEP Recipient Call Scheduled for June 26

CDC has rescheduled the next monthly PHEP recipient call for **Wednesday, June 26**, due to the federal holiday on June 19. The call will be held from **2 p.m. to 3 p.m. EDT on June 26**, with a replay scheduled for 8 p.m. EDT on Monday, July 1, using the same connection details. During the call, DSLR will provide updates on the PHEP Budget Period 1 Notices of Award and recipient responses to conditions of award and highlight current CDC emergency response activities. This call will be the last PHEP recipient call for DSLR Director Chris Kosmos, who is retiring from CDC on June 30 and will provide some parting comments and reflections on the PHEP program. Following is the participant information.

Participant Information

Dial-In: (646) 828-7666 (Audio only)

Meeting ID: 160 752 4717

Passcode: 07271150

Access Link: <https://cdc.zoomgov.com/j/1607524717?pwd=czhra1pScTQrS3ptR3pjMVVSRzEwZz09>

CDC Continues Release of FY 2024 PHEP Funding Awards

CDC has nearly completed the release of the fiscal year (FY) 2024 PHEP Notices of Awards (NoAs) for Budget Period 1 (BP1) of the new PHEP five-year period of performance, CDC-RFA-TU-24-0137. As of June 18, 39 recipients have received their NoAs, and the remaining 23 NoAs are in progress and scheduled to be released before the July 1 start of BP1. CDC has also released PHEP BP1 technical review summary statements as a GrantSolutions grant note to recipients who have received their NoAs.

For awareness, once CDC issues an NoA, there is a seven-day hold in GrantSolutions to allow congressional notifications to occur. CDC and other HHS operating divisions are required to notify the HHS Congressional Liaison Office about pending grant awards to ensure that congressional members receive advance notification. CDC is working to ensure the remaining NoAs are entered into GrantSolutions by Friday, June 21, so they can complete the seven-day hold by Friday, June 28.

Recipients should contact their PHEP project officers with questions on the status of their NoAs and summary statements.

PHEP BP5 Program Data Due June 30

PHEP recipients have until June 30, the close of PHEP Budget Period 5 (BP5), to submit required program data. BP5 reporting requirements are outlined in the [PHEP Budget Period 5 Benchmarks and Reporting Requirements Overview – June 2024](#). Required program data submission includes PHEP BP5 Operational Readiness Review (ORR) requirements. To meet ORR requirements, recipients must successfully complete and submit in PORTS the following PHEP ORR components by June 30.

- Annual PHEP exercise data
- Emergency operations center activation (EOC) data
- Critical Contact Sheet information

In addition to these ORR requirements, recipients must meet four PHEP BP5 benchmarks. Meeting these BP5 ORR requirements and successfully submitting BP5 ORR components by June 30 will also satisfy the PHEP Benchmark 1 requirement to demonstrate preparedness and response operational readiness. For more information, recipients should contact their PHEP project officers.



CDC All-STLT Call to Be Held June 24

CDC's next All-STLT Update Call will be held at **2 p.m. EDT on Monday, June 24**. CDC subject matter experts will provide updates on CDC's emergency response-related activities. A portion of time is also allotted to answer participants' questions regarding the presented topics. A replay of the call will be held at 3 p.m. EDT on Tuesday, June 25, using the same connection details. Following is the participant information.

Participant Information

Dial-In: (646) 828-7666 (Audio only)

Meeting ID: 161 016 7208

Passcode: 46217352

Access Link: <https://cdc.zoomgov.com/j/1610167208?pwd=Y1h2QWp5SFJDZlhnU2NoeDZrT21JUT09>

To subscribe to this listserv to receive updated invitations to the monthly CDC All-STLT Update Call and replay, email eocevent375@cdc.gov.

CDC Provides Update on Avian Influenza A(H5N1) “Bird Flu” Response Activities

CDC’s response to the A(H5N1) bird flu outbreak in dairy cows most recently includes new flu serology studies on population immunity in the United States, data from a new study in ferrets, and continued support for states monitoring people with relevant exposure history. The latest data from CDC’s flu surveillance systems show no indicators of unusual flu activity in people, including A(H5N1) viruses.

Learn more at [CDC A\(H5N1\) Bird Flu Response Update](#).



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Preparedness and Response Resources

June 27 COCA Call Provides Updates on Mpox Clinical Management and Outbreaks

CDC will conduct a Clinician Outreach and Communication Activity (COCA) call from **2 p.m. to 3 p.m. EDT on Thursday, June 27**. During this COCA call, CDC presenters will provide updates on the clade I outbreak in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC) and remind clinicians to be alert for cases of mpox in patients with recent travel to DRC. Presenters will discuss when to suspect a case of mpox, provide updates on the clinical management and prevention of clade II mpox, discuss the epidemiology of clade II mpox, and cite vaccination data. They will also discuss the commercialization of the JYNNEOS vaccine and outline the update to the expanded access Investigational New Drug (EA-IND) for Tecovirimat (TPOXX).

Materials for the call will be available on the [COCA Call webpage](#) in the call materials section. The presentation slides will be available the day of the call, and the call recording will be posted a few hours after the live event ends. Continuing education credits will be offered for this COCA call.

Participant Information

Dial-In: (646) 828-7666 (Audio Only)

Meeting ID: 161 701 6999

Passcode: 059864

Access Link: <https://www.zoomgov.com/j/1617016999>

CDC Webinar Highlights Strategies to Build Workforce Resilience and Mitigate Burnout

CDC and [ICF](#) will host a webinar on “[Strategies to Build Resilience and Mitigate Burnout in the Public Health Workforce](#)” from **3 p.m. to 4 p.m. EDT on Monday, June 24**. During the webinar, the presenter will provide the findings from a previously conducted landscape assessment on factors that promote resilience and

mitigate workplace burnout. The presenter will also discuss actionable evidence-based strategies to foster resilience and combat burnout and stress in health departments.

The presentation will include information on the launch of a new pilot project aimed at implementing these strategies in health departments in the United States. This pilot project presents a unique opportunity for U.S. state, local, tribal, and territorial health departments to actively participate in creating healthier work environments. Participating pilot sites will choose which strategies to implement with support from the project team. Pilot sites will then provide feedback on the perceived effectiveness, applicability, and implementation challenges of their chosen strategies. Health departments interested in participating are encouraged to attend the webinar to learn more about how they can participate as a pilot site.

For additional information about the project, contact the research team at TheResilienceProject@icf.com.



New CDC Study Shows Fatal Infection in Ferrets Following Eye Exposure to A(H5N1) Bird Flu Virus A [new CDC study](#) shows that when the eyes of ferrets were exposed to an A(H5N1) virus from a human case in Chile, the animals, which are used as a model for humans, developed fatal infections and spread the virus to healthy ferrets in direct contact. This study highlights the potential for these viruses to cause infection in people after exposure to the virus via the eyes and the importance of protective eyewear for people at risk of exposure.

Learn more at [Study Shows Ferrets Became Sick with A\(H5N1\) Virus After Eye Exposure](#).



CDC MMWR Reports

- [Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report, June 21](#)
- [Loneliness, Lack of Social and Emotional Support, and Mental Health Issues — United States, 2022](#)
- [Successful Distribution of Tecovirimat During the Peak of the Mpox Outbreak — Los Angeles County, June 2022–January 2023](#)
- [Emergency Medical Services Encounters for Firearm Injuries — 858 Counties, United States, January 2019–September 2023](#)
- [Findings from the First Year of a Federally Funded, Direct-to-Consumer HIV Self-Test Distribution Program — United States, March 2023–March 2024](#)
- [QuickStats: Percentage of Current Cigarette Smokers Aged ≥18 Years Who Received Advice from a Health Professional To Quit Smoking, by Sex and Age Group — United States, 2022](#)

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](#)

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