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# FRIDAY UPDATE

**September 13, 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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## PHEP Cooperative Agreement Updates

### CDC Schedules Office Hours 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.

- **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 [DSLRLITSupport@cdc.gov](mailto:DSLRLITSupport@cdc.gov) and copy their project officers.

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

### PHEP Recipient Call to Be Held September 18

The next monthly PHEP recipient conference call will be held from **2 p.m. to 3 p.m. EDT on Wednesday, September 18**. Agenda topics include CDC response activities, recipient submission of responses to PHEP BP1 budget conditions of awards, and a new DSLR initiative on promising practice case studies. During the call, CDC's Office of Public Health Data, Surveillance, and Technology will provide an update on its new Public Health Data Modernization Implementation Center 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>



## Emergency Response Activities

### **CDC Updates New Oropouche Response Resources**

CDC is now able to provide clinical diagnostic testing for patients with suspected acute Oropouche virus disease in addition to a previously available neutralization test. [This testing consists of](#) clinical laboratory improvement amendment (CLIA)-validated molecular and neutralizing antibody testing of serum or cerebrospinal fluid.

All specimens must be submitted to CDC through state health departments, following [CDC's routine arboviral testing submission protocol](#). CDC will send the results to the health departments for sharing with physicians for clinical decision making.

In addition, CDC has released [comprehensive guidance](#) for more rapid response to imported cases of Oropouche to reduce disease transmission. The new guidance is based on currently available knowledge about Oropouche virus disease, its transmission, and its possible effects on pregnant persons and infants.

Lastly, CDC published [Ask Dr. Dana](#), where Dr. Dana Meaney-Delman, a CDC obstetrician/gynecologist, answers questions about the Oropouche outbreak.

CDC is available to support local, state, tribal, and territorial partners and health care providers for any inquiries, consultations, or assistance with investigations. Providers can contact CDC for assistance at [eocevent542@cdc.gov](mailto:eocevent542@cdc.gov).



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## Preparedness and Response Resources

### **NACCHO Extends Deadline for Preparedness Summit Abstracts to September 22**

The National Association for County and City Health Officials (NACCHO) has extended the submission deadline for 2025 Preparedness Summit abstracts to September 22. The Preparedness Summit planning committee invites public health, health care, disaster relief, emergency management, and other professionals nationwide to showcase and share their research findings, best practice training models, tools, or other resources that advance the field of public health and healthcare preparedness and response. More information is available at [Abstracts - 2025 Preparedness Summit](#).



## News You Can Use

### **New CDC *Vital Signs* Report: Suicide Risk is Tied to Local Economic and Social Conditions**

Certain community-level factors are associated with lower suicide rates, according to the latest CDC [Vital Signs](#) report. Suicide rates are lower in counties with more health insurance coverage, broadband internet access, and household income. This latest *Vital Signs* also explores the association of these three factors with suicide rates overall and what these relationships look like in groups most affected by suicide-- all to help inform suicide prevention programs in communities across the country.

### **2024 Public Health Workforce Survey Now Underway**

The de Beaumont Foundation and the Association of State and Territorial Health Officials are currently conducting the 2024 Public Health Workforce Interests and Needs Survey (PH WINS). Participants can take this opportunity to share their views on key issues to drive positive change in the workplace and community. [Learn more about the survey](#).

Local health department staff who want to participate in the survey should contact their [region's public health training center](#) for more information. Staff in territories and freely associated states should contact [phwins@debeaumont.org](mailto:phwins@debeaumont.org).

### **DSL Staff Author Recent MMWR Report on Mpox Contact Tracing**

DSL staff were lead authors of a September 5 MMWR report, "[Contact Tracing for Mpox Clade II Cases Associated with Air Travel — United States, July 2021–August 2022](#)." Before 2021, limited information was available to assess mpox virus transmission risk aboard commercial aircraft. During 2021-2022, 113 persons traveled on commercial flights while they were infectious with clade II mpox. Among 1,046 traveler contacts followed by U.S. public health agencies, CDC identified no secondary cases. These findings indicate that traveling on a flight with a person with mpox does not appear to constitute an exposure risk or warrant routine contact tracing activities.

### **September 19 COCA Call Provides New Lyme Disease Clinical Tools and Resources**

CDC and the American Medical Association have developed a new toolkit to help clinicians provide better care for patients with prolonged, nonspecific symptoms and concerns about Lyme disease. CDC's Clinician Outreach and Communication Activity (COCA) will share these new clinical tools and resources during a call that will be held at **2 p.m. EDT on Thursday, September 19**. During this call, presenters will also provide a brief overview of Lyme disease and a diagnostic and management framework for patients with Lyme disease.

## Participant Information

Dial-In: 646-828-7666

Webinar ID: 160 785 8865

Passcode: 615823

Access Link: <https://www.zoomgov.com/j/1618350375>

The presentation slides will be available on the day of the call on the [COCA Call webpage](#) under Call Materials. The recording will be available on the [COCA Call webpage](#) a few hours after the live event ends.



### **CDC MMWR Reports**

- [Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report, September 13](#)
- [Progress Toward Achieving National HIV/AIDS Strategy Goals for Quality of Life Among Persons Aged ≥50 Years with Diagnosed HIV — Medical Monitoring Project, United States, 2017–2023](#)
- [Progress Toward Poliomyelitis Eradication — Pakistan, January 2023–June 2024](#)
- [Use of 21-Valent Pneumococcal Conjugate Vaccine Among U.S. Adults: Recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices — United States, 2024](#)
- [Use of Haemophilus influenzae Type b–Containing Vaccines Among American Indian and Alaska Native Infants: Updated Recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices — United States, 2024](#)

### **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** [Interim Guidance for Evaluating and Managing Infants Born to Pregnant People with Confirmed or Probable Oropouche Virus Disease | Oropouche | CDC](#)
- **NEW** [Clinical Overview of Oropouche Virus Disease | Oropouche | CDC](#)
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