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# FRIDAY UPDATE

**August 11, 2023**

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 (DSL)R 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

### Responses to PHEP BP5 Conditions of Award Due August 15

PHEP recipients have until **Tuesday, August 15**, to submit their responses to any conditions associated with their Budget Period 5 (BP5) funding awards. Recipients should carefully review the terms and conditions of their notices of award (NoAs) to ensure they address all conditions of award (CoAs).

Recipients must respond to all weaknesses and required budget actions by submitting responses in the PERFORMS Program Management Module (PMM), and, if necessary, as grant notes in GrantSolutions by **August 15**. Recipients should direct questions about their NoAs and responding to CoAs to their PHEP project officers.

### CDC PHEP Recipient Call Scheduled for August 16

The next monthly PHEP recipient conference call will be held from **2 p.m. to 3 p.m. EDT on Wednesday, August 16**. 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 will conduct a replay of the recipient call at 7 p.m. EDT the same day, using the same connection details.



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### **APHL to Host August 15 Webinar on Malaria Diagnostics**

The Association of Public Health Laboratories (APHL) will host a webinar entitled, “Get Up to Speed on Malaria Diagnostics: Are you Ready?” from **2 p.m. to 3 p.m. EDT on Tuesday, August 15**. This webinar will introduce malaria biology and diagnostic approaches including morphological, molecular, and rapid diagnostic test methods. Speakers will address the role of the different diagnostic approaches to ensure laboratories have the awareness of how to submit specimens for reference testing as well as some considerations for validating testing within your laboratory. [Register here](#) to attend the webinar.

### **August 17 COCA Call Highlights Measles Clinical Presentation, Diagnosis, and Prevention**

CDC will conduct a Clinician Outreach and Communication Activity (COCA) call from **2 p.m. to 3 p.m. EDT on Thursday, August 17**. During this COCA call, presenters will discuss the history of measles in the United States, review clinical presentation and diagnosis of measles infection, review how to report suspected cases to public health agencies, and outline recommendations for measles vaccination in the United States.

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 (CE) credits will be offered for this COCA call.

#### Participant Information

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

Webinar ID: 160 313 2944

Passcode: 532989

Access Link: <https://www.zoomgov.com/j/1603132944>

### **NACCHO Releases RFA for Local Infectious Disease Outbreak Forecasting and Analytics Capabilities**

NACCHO, with support from CDC, announced a new funding opportunity, [Infectious Disease Outbreaks: Enhancing LHD Forecasting and Analytics Capabilities](#). This RFA aims to strengthen local health departments’ (LHDs) capacity to integrate forecasting and analytical tools into infectious disease outbreak planning and response at the local level. The project will involve implementing tools and methodologies to enable LHDs to proactively predict and analyze disease outbreaks. The goal of the project is to improve public health response and mitigate the impact of infectious diseases. Applications are due by **11:59 p.m. EDT on Friday, September 8**.

An informational webinar will be held at **2 p.m. EDT on Friday, August 18**. [Register here](#) to attend the webinar.



### **August is National Immunization Month**

CDC data demonstrates that the [kindergarten vaccination rate](#) has steadily declined for all vaccines over the past two school years from 95% to 93% nationally, and by as much as 10% in certain jurisdictions. To support

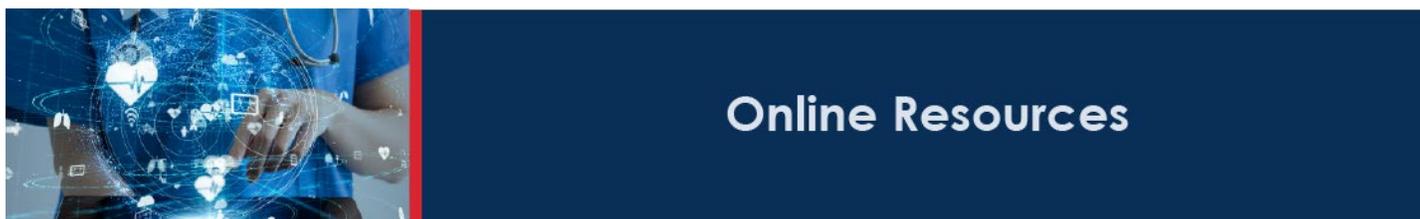
getting school-aged children back on track with their routine immunizations, CDC is launched a new campaign as part of “Back to School Month.”

The nationwide [Back-to-School Campaign](#) features digital ads that will run through September 2023. The digital ads aim to keep routine child vaccinations top of mind among parents of school-aged children. All [communication resources](#) are downloadable and available to disseminate directly through websites, offices, and social media channels. They are also available in both English and Spanish.

Providing evidence-based strategies and tools to support vaccination catch-up efforts. CDC resources can be accessed on the [Let’s RISE](#) webpage. Additionally, the [Public Health Foundation](#) has developed a [new toolkit](#) with actionable resources for kindergarten vaccine coverage.

### Host Site Applications Now Open for CDC Public Health Law Fellowship

CDC’s Public Health Law Program is now accepting host site applications for the [Public Health Law Fellowship](#). CDC created this fellowship to strengthen the public health law workforce by increasing diversity within the field and preparing the next generation of public health law professionals to respond to critical issues. This program is open to state, tribal, local, or territorial health departments; CDC programs; or other public health law organizations that support work in the public health law and policy fields. This paid opportunity will provide graduate students, law students, and recent graduates of these programs with on-the-job training to prepare them for careers in public health law and policy.



### CDC MMWR Reports

- [Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report, August 11](#)
- [An Outbreak of \*Salmonella\* Typhimurium Infections Linked to Ready-To-Eat Tofu in Multiple Health Districts — Ontario, Canada, May–July 2021](#)
- [Prevalence of Symptoms ≤12 Months After Acute Illness, by COVID-19 Testing Status Among Adults — United States, December 2020–March 2023](#)
- [Long COVID and Significant Activity Limitation Among Adults, by Age — United States, June 1–13, 2022, to June 7–19, 2023](#)
- [SARS-CoV-2 Infection and Death Rates Among Maintenance Dialysis Patients During Delta and Early Omicron Waves — United States, June 30, 2021–September 27, 2022](#)
- [Erratum: Vol. 72, No. RR-1](#)
- [Erratum: Vol. 72, No. SS-7](#)
- [QuickStats: Death Rates for Pedestrians Involved in Collision with Motor Vehicles, by Sex and Urbanization Level — National Vital Statistics System, United States, 2021](#)

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