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FRIDAY UPDATE

May 5, 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 (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

Upcoming May PHEP Connects Webinar

CDC will present two PHEP Connects webinars in May. The webinar dates and topics include:



- **1 p.m. EDT on Wednesday, May 10:** Pediatric Preparedness
- **1 p.m. EDT on Thursday, May 18:** This is a T.E.S.T. – A Tabletop Exercise Simulation Tool: Gamification of Tabletop Exercises

The May 10 webinar will be a presentation on “Pediatric Preparedness.” CDC presenter Kevin Chatham-Stephens, Lead, Children’s Preparedness Unit will discuss the link between public health planners and pediatricians to address the special needs of children in disasters. The unique needs and characteristics of children make it important to identify and incorporate special considerations into preparedness, mitigation, response, recovery, and resilience-building plans and actions. During this webinar, participants will learn why pediatric preparedness is important, specific threats to children, and key planning principles, partners, and resources. Following is the participant information.

Participant Information

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

Meeting ID: 161 241 1865

Passcode: 569595

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

PHEP Connects will host an encore presentation “This is a T.E.S.T. – A Tabletop Exercise Simulation Tool: Gamification of Tabletop Exercises” from **1 p.m. to 2 p.m. EDT on Thursday, May 18**. CDC presenters Lauren Finklea and Myron Douglas will provide an overview and demonstration for a new innovative approach to tabletop exercises with the cooperative board game, This is a T.E.S.T. Participants will explore cause and effect of incident decision-making during a radiation emergency requiring the use of a community reception center (CRC). This presentation will also provide information on how to access This is a T.E.S.T. and request to be selected for the pilot evaluation of sites around the country. Following is the participant information.

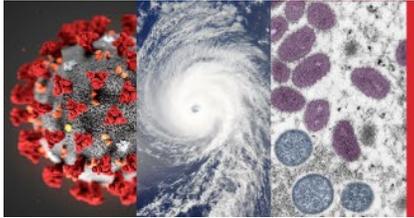
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Emergency Response Activities

May 11 COCA Call Provides Updated Recommendations for COVID-19 Vaccine Use

CDC will conduct a Clinician Outreach and Communication Activity (COCA) call from **2 p.m. to 3 p.m. EDT on Thursday, May 11**. During this COCA call, presenters will discuss updated COVID-19 vaccine recommendations by age group and for those with immunocompromise. Presenters will also highlight optional COVID-19 vaccine doses for specific populations. With this simplified schedule, CDC continues to recommend that everyone stay up to date with recommended COVID-19 vaccines to better protect themselves from severe illness and death.

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: 161 937 8091

Passcode: 499465

Access Link: <https://www.zoomgov.com/j/1619378091>



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Preparedness and Response Resources

NACCHO Releases Climate Action Toolkit Tailored for Local Health Departments

The National Association of County and City Health Officials (NACCHO) partnered with [Climate for Health](#) at ecoAmerica to provide members with targeted climate-focused resources. These resources include a free, four-hour training that will equip health professionals with the knowledge, hands-on experience, and

resources to speak and act confidently on climate change, the impacts on health, and solutions. In addition to the training, there are action-oriented guides tailored to help local health departments address health equity and climate, mental health, and how to present climate solutions to communities, businesses, and policymakers. Visit NACCHO's [Climate Action Toolkit](#) webpage to learn more and access the toolkit.

2023 CSTE Annual Disaster Epidemiology Workshop Scheduled for May 16-18

The Council of State and Territorial Epidemiologists (CSTE), in collaboration with CDC, will host the 14th Annual CSTE Disaster Epidemiology Workshop from **May 16 through May 18**. The virtual workshop's theme, "The Path Forward: The Different Elements of Disaster Epidemiology" will feature presentations and panel discussions related to applied epidemiology and lessons learned from previous and ongoing preparedness and response operations and activities. The goals of the workshop include:

- Facilitating interdisciplinary collaboration among epidemiologists, public health emergency preparedness coordinators, emergency managers, and academics in the field of disaster epidemiology.
- Disseminating best practices on epidemiologic approaches to improving all-hazards disaster preparedness and response capacities at the state, local, tribal, and territorial levels.
- Describing best practices from the field about adapting and applying disaster epidemiology principles, tools, resources, and methodologies.

[Register](#) by **May 15** to receive all relevant meeting materials. Continuing education credits will be available for attendees. Daily attendance is limited to 500 attendees and will be based on a first-come, first-served basis.

Visit the CSTE [2023 Disaster Epidemiology Workshop-Preparedness and Response](#) webpage to learn more.



White House Administration Announces End of COVID-19 Vaccine Requirements for Certain Groups

On May 1, President Biden announced that the Administration will end the COVID-19 vaccine requirements for federal employees, federal contractors, and international air travelers on May 11, the same day that the COVID-19 public health emergency ends.

Additionally, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) and the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) announced on May 1 that they will start the process to end their vaccination requirements for Head Start educators, CMS-certified healthcare facilities, and certain non-citizens at the land border. Further details related to ending these COVID-19 vaccine requirements will be forthcoming.

Read the full statement at [The Biden-Harris Administration Will End COVID-19 Vaccination Requirements for Federal Employees, Contractors, International Travelers, Head Start Educators, and CMS-Certified Facilities](#).

2023 Public Service Recognition Week Celebrated May 7-13

Celebrated annually during the first week of May since 1985, [Public Service Recognition Week \(PSRW\)](#) is time set aside to honor the men and women who serve our nation as federal, state, county and local government employees. Download the [PSRW Celebration Toolkit](#) for more information.

ASTHO 2023 Public Health TechXpo and Futures Forum to Be Held May 23-25

The [2023 Public Health TechXpo and Futures Forum](#), presented by the Association of State and Territorial Health Officials (ASTHO), is scheduled for May 23 to May 25 in Chicago. The Public Health TechXpo and Futures Forum is an annual convening of public health leaders and experts across the technology,

professional services, financial, workforce, and related sectors. Learn more about the event and [register](#) to attend.



Online Resources

CDC MMWR Reports

- [Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report, May 5](#)
- [Medication for Opioid Use Disorder During Pregnancy — Maternal and Infant Network to Understand Outcomes Associated with Use of Medication for Opioid Use Disorder During Pregnancy \(MAT-LINK\), 2014–2021](#)
- [Notes from the Field: Posttreatment Lesions After Tecovirimat Treatment for Mpox — New York City, August–September 2022](#)
- [Tobacco Product Use Among Adults — United States, 2021](#)
- [Salmonella Outbreaks Associated with Not Ready-to-Eat Breaded, Stuffed Chicken Products — United States, 1998–2022](#)
- [Provisional Mortality Data — United States, 2022](#)
- [COVID-19 Mortality Update — United States, 2022](#)
- [Notes from the Field: Vibriosis Cases Associated with Flood Waters During and After Hurricane Ian — Florida, September–October 2022](#)
- [Erratum: Vol. 69, No. 27](#)
- [QuickStats: Percentage of Adults Who Were in Families Having Problems Paying Medical Bills During the Previous 12 Months, by Race, Hispanic Origin, and Selected Asian Subgroups — National Health Interview Survey, United States, 2020–2021](#)

Mpox Guidance and Resources

- **UPDATED** [Pride Event Card](#)
- **UPDATED** [Pride Event Sticker](#)
- **UPDATED** [Mpox Vaccination Basics](#)
- **UPDATED** [JYNNEOS Vaccine Coverage by Jurisdiction](#)
- **UPDATED** [2022 U.S. Mpox Outbreak](#)
- **UPDATED** [U.S. Map & Case Count](#)
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- **UPDATED** [Global Map & Case Count](#)
- **UPDATED** [Mpox Cases by Age and Gender, Race/Ethnicity, and Symptoms](#)
- **UPDATED** [U.S. Wastewater Data](#)
- **UPDATED** [Mpox Vaccine Administration U.S. Map](#)
- **UPDATED** [Demographics of Patients Receiving TPOXX for Treatment of Mpox](#)
- **UPDATED** [Non-Variola Orthopoxvirus and Mpox Virus Laboratory Testing Data](#)

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