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FRIDAY UPDATE

October 27, 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

New Ready CAMP Platform to Consolidate DSLR IT Systems

CDC has launched the development of a new information technology (IT) platform to improve how it collects, analyzes, and uses PHEP and Public Health Crisis Response (PHCR) cooperative agreement program data. CDC plans to implement Ready CAMP, a DSLR-specific version of the Salesforce application known as Cooperative Agreement Management Platform (CAMP). Similar program management applications are currently used by CDC's Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity (ELC) program and the Public Health Infrastructure Center.

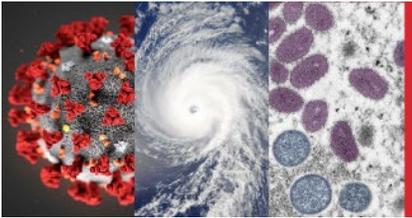
When fully implemented, Ready CAMP will consolidate the functions of several IT systems currently used by DSLR and recipients:

- PERFORMS (Preparedness Emergency Response System for Oversight, Reporting and Management Services),
- PORTS (PHEP Operational Readiness Review Reporting and Tracking System),
- On-TAPP (Online Technical Assistance Application),
- On-TRAC (Online Technical Resource and Assistance Center),
- REDCap (Research Electronic Data Capture), and
- STLT Hub (State, Tribal, Local, and Territorial Support Task Force).

CDC intends to have the initial phases of the new platform operational in the first quarter of 2024 to assist recipients with developing their PHEP funding applications for the first budget period of the new five-year period of performance. Full implementation of the IT system is scheduled to be completed by the end 2024.

CDC will share details of the Ready CAMP implementation as they are finalized, Meanwhile, recipients can learn more about the Salesforce platform by reviewing the following resources.

- Salesforce Basics: [Welcome to Salesforce Unit](#)
- Reports and Dashboards General information: [Get to Know Lightning Reports and Dashboards Unit](#)



Emergency Response Activities

CDC Develops New Toolkits to Prepare for Flu, COVID-19, and RSV

CDC recently released a new [Resources to Prepare for Flu, COVID-19, and RSV](#) webpage which provides toolkits and resources for various communities on preparing for the flu, COVID-19, and respiratory syncytial virus (RSV) during the fall/winter season.

CDC Respiratory Virus Webinar Scheduled for October 30

CDC will conduct a webinar, “Respiratory Virus Season and Health Equity: Information about Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV), COVID-19, and Flu,” from **11:30 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. EDT on Monday, October 30**. Participants will learn about current guidance to protect their communities from COVID-19, RSV, and flu this fall and winter. Topics will include key information about these conditions, prevention, and vaccination guidance to help protect groups at highest risk for serious illness. In addition, presenters will share information about CDC’s efforts focused on health and vaccine equity. Register [here](#) to attend the webinar.



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Preparedness and Response Resources

NRC-RIM Offers Technical Assistance Resources for State and Local Health Departments

The National Resource Center for Refugees, Immigrants, and Migrants (NRC-RIM) is funded by CDC and the International Organization for Migration to support health departments and community organizations working with [refugee, immigrant, and migrant \(RIM\) communities](#) that have been disproportionately affected by health inequities. Initially established in October 2020 as part of the nation’s COVID-19 response, NRC-RIM now focuses on public health preparedness and other needs of new arrival communities.

Core NRC-RIM activities include:

- Collecting, developing, and disseminating best and promising practices,
- Creating guides and checklists that are practical, step-by-step resources designed for public health professionals and others,
- Developing and disseminating linguistically and culturally appropriate health communications and health education resources,
- Creating online training and other resources for public health professionals working with RIM communities,
- Supporting pilot projects between health departments and community-based organizations serving RIM communities, and
- Providing direct support to state and local health departments through technical assistance requests.

State or local health departments can [contact](#) NRC-RIM to learn more about how the organization and its [network of partners](#) can support their work with refugee, immigrant, and migrant communities.



CDC Provides Interim Recommendations to Protect Infants from RSV

On October 23, CDC issued a [health advisory](#) to provide options for clinicians to protect infants from respiratory syncytial virus (RSV) in the context of a [limited supply of nirsevimab](#). Nirsevimab is a long-acting monoclonal antibody immunization product recommended for preventing RSV-associated lower respiratory tract disease in infants.



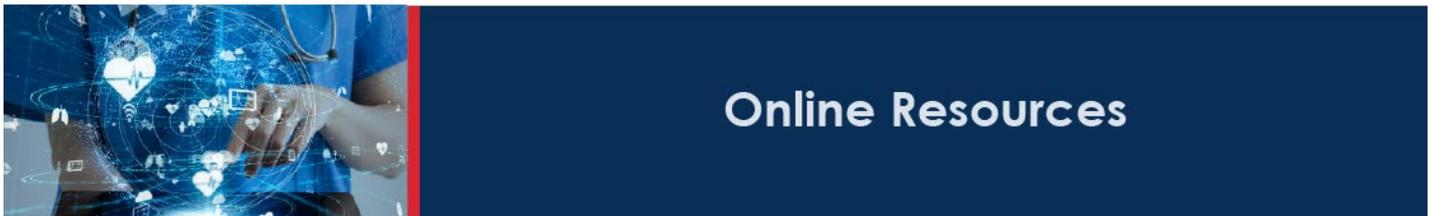
In the context of limited supply during the 2023–2024 RSV season, CDC recommends prioritizing available nirsevimab 100mg doses for infants at the highest risk for severe RSV disease: young infants (ages less than six months) and infants with underlying conditions that place them at highest risk for severe RSV disease. Recommendations for using 50mg doses remain unchanged at this time.

NACHHO to Host Webinar on Population Mental Health

The National Association of County and City Health Officials (NACCHO) will host a webinar on “Breaking the Silence: Putting Mental Health at the Forefront of Public Health” at **3 p.m. EST on Tuesday, November 7**. This webinar will provide local health departments and their community partners with strategies and practical tools to enhance the mental health and overall well-being of their communities. Register [here](#) to attend the webinar.

Abstract Submissions Extended for Public Health Law Practitioners Conference

[Abstract submission](#) for the [Public Health Law Practitioners Convening](#) has been extended to **11:59 p.m. PST Friday, November 17**. The organization committee seeks proposals that address to how law and policy can be leveraged to support public health practice. View the abstract application preview [abstract application preview](#) for the submission questions.



CDC MMWR Reports

- [Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report, October 27](#)
- [Routine Vaccination Coverage — Worldwide, 2022](#)
- [Early Detection and Surveillance of the SARS-CoV-2 Variant BA.2.86 — Worldwide, July–October 2023](#)
- [Notes from the Field: Early Identification of the SARS-CoV-2 Omicron BA.2.86 Variant by the Traveler-Based Genomic Surveillance Program — Dulles International Airport, August 2023](#)
- [Erratum: Vol 72, No. RR-2](#)
- [Quickstats: Percentage of Children and Adolescents Aged 5–17 Years Who Took Medication for Their Mental Health or Received Counseling or Therapy from a Mental Health Professional During the Past 12 Months, by Year — National Health Interview Survey, United States, 2019 and 2022](#)

CDC Online Resources

- **NEW** [5 Things You Should Know about COVID-19 Vaccines](#)
 - **NEW** [Protect yourself from COVID-19, Flu, and RSV](#)
 - **NEW** [Preparing Patients for 2023 Virus Season](#)
 - **UPDATED** [CDC Respiratory Virus Updates](#)
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