

July 12, 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 (DSLR) Friday Update provides information and resources for PHEP recipients and other preparedness planners. Please share the newsletter with your colleagues.

For more information, visit the CDC State and Local Readiness website or contact us at preparedness@cdc.gov.





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PHEP Cooperative Agreement Updates

CDC Schedules PHEP BP1 CoA Response Workbook Training

CDC will conduct three training sessions the week of July 15 for PHEP recipients on how to submit their responses to their PHEP Budget Period 1 conditions of award (CoA). CDC will provide jurisdiction-specific CoA response Excel workbooks that recipients will use to respond to their CoAs and budget revisions. Following are the training details.

- 1 p.m. EDT, Wednesday, July 17
- 10 a.m. EDT, Thursday, July 18
- 8 p.m. EDT, Thursday, July 18

Participant Information Meeting ID: 161 759 1934 Passcode: 160791

Access Link: https://www.zoomgov.com/j/1617591934?pwd=vhtguLWT13md7RyUbas1FJLZv51Cuq.1

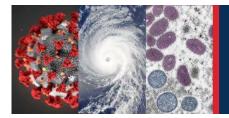
Recipients must respond to all required budget actions by submitting responses in their CoA response workbooks, and, if necessary, as grant notes in GrantSolutions by **Monday, September 3**. Recipients should refer to their Notices of Award instructions on how to submit required grant notes. Recipients can direct questions regarding their CoAs to their assigned grants management specials and copy their PHEP project officers.

CDC's Office of Grants Services (OGS) plans to hold office hours the week of July 22 for recipients who may have additional questions about budget-related requirements. More details will be provided soon.

CDC PHEP Recipient Call Scheduled for July 17

The next monthly PHEP recipient conference call will be held from **2 p.m. to 3 p.m. EDT on Wednesday**, **July 17**. During the call, CDC will discuss the process recipients will follow to provide responses to the PHEP Budget Period 1 conditions of award, as well as current CDC response activities. 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 Reports Fourth Human Case of H5 Bird Flu Tied to Dairy Cow Outbreak

Another human case of <u>highly pathogenic avian influenza</u> (HPAI) A(H5) ("H5 bird flu") virus infection in the United States has been identified in Colorado. This is the fourth case associated with an ongoing multistate outbreak of A(H5N1) in dairy cows and the first in Colorado. Previous cases were reported in <u>Texas</u> (1) and <u>Michigan</u> (2). As with previous cases, the person is a worker on a dairy farm where cows tested positive for A(H5N1) virus. The person reported eye symptoms only, received oseltamivir treatment, and has recovered. CDC has been watching <u>influenza surveillance systems</u> closely, particularly in affected states, and there has been no sign of unusual influenza activity in people, including in syndromic surveillance.

Based on the information available at this time, this infection does not change CDC's current H5N1 bird flu human health risk assessment for the U.S. general public, which the agency considers to be low. However, this development underscores the importance of <u>recommended precautions</u> in people with exposure to infected animals. People with close or prolonged, unprotected exposures to infected birds or other animals, including livestock, or to environments contaminated by infected birds or other animals are at greater risk of infection.

View the full press release at CDC Reports Fourth Human Case of H5 Bird Flu Tied to Dairy Cow Outbreak.

July 16 COCA Call Provides H5N1 Update for Clinicians and Health Centers

CDC will host a Clinician Outreach and Communication Activity (COCA) call July 16 to provide an update on the current H5N1 outbreak in the United States and current CDC surveillance and monitoring efforts. Presenters will also provide information for clinicians on testing, using antiviral drugs, and infection prevention and control recommendations.

Materials for the call will be available on the <u>COCA Call webpage</u> 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: 161 835 0375 Passcode: 143703 Access Link: https://www.zoomgov.com/j/1618350375

CDC Continues Investigation of Severe Illness Potentially Associated with Diamond Shruumz[™] Brand Products

CDC, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA), America's Poison Centers, and state and local partners are investigating reports of severe acute illnesses potentially associated with consuming Diamond Shruumz[™] brand chocolate bars, cones, and gummies marketed as containing a proprietary blend of mushrooms. CDC provides a <u>weekly update</u> on the current investigation of cases or adverse effects reported after consuming any Diamond Shruumz[™] brand products. As of July 8, 58 total illnesses, including 30 hospitalizations, have been reported in 27 U.S. states. There is one potentially associated death under investigation.



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Preparedness and Response Resources

CDC Launches New Web Portal on Emergency Preparedness and Disability Inclusion

CDC recently launched a new Emergency Preparedness and Disability Inclusion web portal dedicated to disability inclusion in emergency preparedness and response efforts. Developed in collaboration with partners and members of the disability community, this web portal serves as a resource hub on all-hazards preparedness to support people with disabilities. This information can help people with disabilities consider steps they can take to plan ahead for emergencies and know what to do if an emergency happens in their communities. Public health emergencies can have a disproportionate impact on people with disabilities. Addressing information gaps on this topic is a critical step toward improving disability inclusion for communities.



News You Can Use

CDC Cancer Moonshot Community Conversation to Be Held July 16

As part of the <u>Biden Cancer Moonshot</u> initiative, CDC will host a virtual conversation from **1 p.m. to 2 p.m. EDT on Tuesday, July 16**, on <u>Enhancing the Understanding of Environmental Exposures in Cancer by</u> <u>Strengthening Clinical, Government, and Community Partnerships</u>. During this event, panelists will discuss approaches to support connections between health officials, health care providers, patients and families, and their advocates to better understand and address concerns around cancer and the environment across U.S. communities. Register in advance and submit questions to the panelists at <u>Cancer Moonshot Community</u> <u>Conversation</u>.



Online Resources

CDC MMWR Reports

- Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report, July 12
- Human Case of Leptospirosis During a Canine Disease Outbreak Wyoming, 2023
- Notes from the Field: Respiratory Viral Panel as an Early Diagnostic Tool for Neonatal Enterovirus Infection — San Diego, California 2023
- Notes from the Field: Illnesses After Administration of Presumed Counterfeit Botulinum Toxin in Nonmedical Settings — Tennessee and New York City, March 2024
- Erratum: Vol. 73, No. 21

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 <u>RSV VaxView</u>

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