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# FRIDAY UPDATE

**August 5, 2022**

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.

For more information, visit the [CDC State and Local Readiness website](#) or contact us at [preparedness@cdc.gov](mailto:preparedness@cdc.gov).



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## PHEP Cooperative Agreement Updates

### CDC Reopens Crisis Response NOFO

On August 1, CDC reopened the 2022 Public Health Crisis Response notice of funding opportunity (NOFO), [TP22-2201](#), through Grants.gov. The NOFO will remain open through October 10, 2022, to allow for applications from local health departments or tribes that meet eligibility requirements due to population changes. CDC plans to reopen the funding announcement annually during the NOFO's five-year performance period to ensure CDC maintains a current roster of eligible jurisdictions for public health emergency response funding. CDC encourages all applicants that meet the NOFO requirements to apply so they may be eligible to receive rapid funding in the event a public health emergency occurs and funding is made available through this NOFO.

In April 2022, CDC issued approved but unfunded (ABU) notices to eligible jurisdictions who applied for the [Public Health Crisis Response Cooperative Agreement](#). The 88 jurisdictions, including all 62 PHEP recipients, that applied and were granted ABU status will remain on the ABU roster until January 31, 2027, and need **not** apply again at this time. The 88 jurisdictions include the 50 states, eight territories and freely associated states, and 30 localities. No tribal organizations submitted applications.

Potential applicants should note that Grants.gov will be unavailable from 12:01 a.m. EDT on Friday, September 23, to 11:59 p.m. EDT on Thursday, September 29, to migrate the system to a new hosting environment. CDC has extended the application period through **Monday, October 10**, to account for this down time and encourages applicants to submit their applications prior to the transition, if possible.

For additional information, new applicants should contact [DSLRCrisisCoAg@cdc.gov](mailto:DSLRCrisisCoAg@cdc.gov).

### Additional PORTS Office Hours Scheduled for August

CDC has scheduled additional dates to assist PHEP recipients in entering and submitting PHEP Budget Period 3 (BP3) data using the PHEP ORR Reporting and Tracking System (PORTS). Recipients will have until October 31, 2022, to upload additional supporting evidence necessary to substantiate their BP3 ORR

responses submitted in June. The PORTS office hours serve as an open forum where PHEP recipients can ask technical questions on using the Operational Readiness Review (ORR) module and how to submit data properly. CDC encourages recipients to email questions in advance to [dslrtraining@cdc.gov](mailto:dslrtraining@cdc.gov).

#### Upcoming August [PORTS Office Hours](#)

- 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. EDT on Tuesday, August 16
- 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. EDT on Monday, August 29

Each PORTS office hours session will be facilitated by the PORTS training team and ORR evaluation staff.

#### Save the Date: Upcoming August PHEP Connects Webinars

CDC has scheduled three PHEP Connects webinars in August. The webinar dates and topics include:



- 1 p.m. EDT on Wednesday, August 10: Combatting Health-Related Misinformation and Disinformation
- 2 p.m. EDT on Wednesday, August 17: Environmental Health: Hurricane Safety and Preparedness
- Wednesday, August 24: Time and topic to be available later this month

The August 10 webinar will be presented by Tara Kirk Sell, senior scholar at the Johns Hopkins Center for Health Security and assistant professor in the Department of Environmental Health and Engineering at Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health. She will discuss communication approaches during current and previous public health emergencies. The presentation will also highlight the harms and monetary costs of health-related misinformation and policy efforts that may help combat the problem. Following is the participant information.

#### Participant Log-in Information

Dial-In: (669) 254-5252 (Audio only)  
Meeting ID: 161 241 1865  
Passcode: 569595  
Access Link: <https://www.zoomgov.com/j/1612411865>

The August 18 webinar will be a special encore presentation on “Environmental Health: Hurricane Safety and Preparedness.” Presenters include Vivi Siegel from CDC’s National Center for Environmental Health (NCEH) and Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR) and Douglas Hilderbrand from the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA)/National Weather Service. Speakers will discuss community safety strategies during hurricane season, highlight additional hurricane preparedness training opportunities, and CDC’s [Preparedness and Safety Messaging for Hurricanes, Flooding, and Similar Disasters](#). Following is the participant information.

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#### Wisconsin CEFO Is Lead Author on Work-related COVID-19 Risks Article

Ian Pray, CDC’s Career Epidemiology Officer (CEFO) in Wisconsin, is the lead author on a journal article published August 4 in *Clinical Infectious Diseases*. The article, [Measuring work-related risk of COVID-19:](#)

[comparison of COVID-19 incidence by occupation and industry – Wisconsin, September 2020-May 2021](#), was a state-led project based on Wisconsin data and co-authored by Wisconsin health department staff.

### **Clinical Update Available on Monkeypox in People with Select Conditions**

As of July 29, CDC and state and local public health partners have reported 5,189 cases of *Monkeypox virus* infections in the United States across 47 states, Washington, D.C., and Puerto Rico. On July 22, CDC reported the first two cases of monkeypox in children in the United States during the current outbreak.

On July 30, CDC issued an [Update for Clinicians on Monkeypox in People with HIV, Children and Adolescents, and People who are Pregnant or Breastfeeding](#). This Health Alert Network (HAN) Health Update provided clinicians with clinical considerations for preventing, diagnosing, and managing monkeypox infection in multiple populations including [people with HIV](#), [children and adolescents](#), and [people who are pregnant or breastfeeding](#). These newly released clinical considerations complement existing clinical guidance for managing monkeypox and provide information on signs and symptoms of *Monkeypox virus* infection; pre- and post-exposure prophylaxis; treatment; and infection control in these populations.

Since May 2022, CDC has been urging healthcare providers in the United States to be on alert for patients who have rash illnesses [consistent with monkeypox](#). People with HIV, individuals who are immunocompromised, children, adolescents, and people who are pregnant or breastfeeding may be at risk for increased disease severity and adverse health outcomes associated with monkeypox infection. Clinicians should be familiar with unique clinical considerations for monkeypox in these patient populations. A broad diagnostic approach is encouraged to distinguish *Monkeypox virus* infection from other causes of fever and rash illness. Testing should be performed on persons for whom monkeypox is suspected based on clinical presentation or [epidemiologic criteria](#). Clinicians should consult their state or territorial health departments ([State Contacts](#)) or CDC's Emergency Operations Center at 770-488-7100 as soon as monkeypox is suspected. Following are CDC monkeypox resources.

#### CDC Resources

- [Clinical Considerations for Monkeypox in People Who are Pregnant or Breastfeeding | Monkeypox | Poxvirus](#)
- [Clinical Considerations for Monkeypox in Children and Adolescents | Monkeypox | Poxvirus](#)
- [Clinical Considerations for Treatment and Prophylaxis of Monkeypox virus Infection in People with HIV | Monkeypox | Poxvirus](#)
- Visit [CDC-INFO](#) or call CDC-INFO at 1-800-232-4636
- CDC 24/7 Emergency Operations Center (EOC) 770-488-7100



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## Preparedness and Response Resources

### **CDC Hosts 11th International Conference on Emerging Infectious Diseases in August**

CDC, in collaboration with the [Task Force for Global Health](#), will host the [11th International Conference on Emerging Infectious Diseases](#) (ICEID) from **August 7 through August 10** in Atlanta. The conference brings together more than 1,500 public health professionals from around the world to encourage the exchange of the latest information on issues affecting the emergence, spread, and control of infectious disease. With scientific input from more than 30 national and global partners, the ICEID 2022 program will include plenary and panel sessions with invited speakers, oral abstract and poster presentations, and multiple scientific and public health exhibitors—all focusing on emerging and re-emerging infections.

[Register](#) to attend the three-day conference. For information about presentations that will be live streamed during the conference, visit the [ICEID Virtual Platform](#).

### **August 11 NACCHO Webinar Focuses on How to Leverage GIS to Build Healthy Communities**

The National Association of County and City Health Officials (NACCHO) and affiliate partner [Esri](#) will host an informational webinar at **2 p.m. EDT on Thursday, August 11**, to discuss how organizations can enhance the health of communities using geographic information system (GIS). [Register](#) to attend the webinar.



## News You Can Use

### **CDC Observes Immunization Awareness Month in August**

CDC recognizes [National Immunization Awareness Month \(NIAM\)](#) in August, offering [resources](#) to assist jurisdictions in communicating about vaccinations during the month of August and throughout the year. NIAM is observed annually to highlight the importance of vaccination for people of all ages.

While many are familiar with immunization recommendations for children, they may not be aware of adult immunization considerations. Staying up to date with their immunizations can keep adults from getting sick with preventable diseases, keep them healthy during high-risk outbreaks, and enhance their overall resiliency. The [Adult Vaccine Quiz](#) assessment tool can help adults identify the immunizations they may need and the [Vaccine Administration Record for Adults](#) is as a record-keeping tool for adults.

Following are adult immunization suggestions (other than for travel), assuming no underlying diseases are present. First, all childhood immunizations should be completed if not done so already. Some current childhood vaccines may not have been available for all adults at the time they received their childhood immunizations. Specifically, adults should consider catching up on vaccines for hepatitis A, hepatitis B, and possibly chickenpox.

Generally, all adults need to continue their tetanus and diphtheria immunizations every 10 years. In addition, regular influenza and COVID-19 vaccines will keep adults healthy, and older adults will also benefit from pneumonia vaccines.



## Online Resources

### CDC MMWR Reports

- [Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report, August 5](#)
- [Outbreaks of Acute Gastrointestinal Illness Associated with a Splash Pad in a Wildlife Park — Kansas, June 2021](#)
- [Interim Recommendation of the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices for Use of the Novavax COVID-19 Vaccine in Persons Aged  \$\geq 18\$  years — United States, July 2022](#)
- [Post-COVID-19 Symptoms and Conditions Among Children and Adolescents — United States, March 1, 2020–January 31, 2022](#)
- [Notes from the Field: Increase in Pediatric Intracranial Infections During the COVID-19 Pandemic — Eight Pediatric Hospitals, United States, March 2020–March 2022](#)
- [QuickStats: Age-Adjusted Death Rates from Diabetes Mellitus Among Adults Aged  \$\geq 65\$  Years, by Single Race and Hispanic Origin — National Vital Statistics System, United States, 2020](#)
- [Epidemiologic and Clinical Characteristics of Monkeypox Cases — United States, May 17–July 22, 2022](#)
- [Interim Guidance for the Prevention and Treatment of Monkeypox in Persons with HIV Infection — United States, August 2022](#)

### Monkeypox Guidance and Resources

- **UPDATED** [2022 Monkeypox Outbreak](#)
- **UPDATED** [How to Prevent Monkeypox](#)
- **UPDATED** [Sexual Health](#)
- **UPDATED** [U.S. Map and Case Count](#)
- **UPDATED** [Pediatric Considerations](#)

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