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## **COMMUNICATIONS TOPIC: Health Alert Notice to State and Local Public Health Agencies**

### **SUBJECT: UPDATE: CDC Response Activity**

As indicated earlier today, CDC continues to be on heightened alert status to monitor for any possible unusual disease patterns associated with today's events, including chemical and biological agents. No such events have been reported to CDC.

CDC continues to recommend that you maintain heightened surveillance for any unusual disease occurrence or increased numbers of illnesses that might be associated with today's events.

CDC is providing assistance, as requested by public health partners in the affected locations, and will continue to staff our emergency number of 770-488-7100 and our Email receipt point ([healthalert@cdc.gov](mailto:healthalert@cdc.gov)) 24 hours per day. CDC will be conducting business as usual tomorrow. Additional health information can be found on the web site of the Department of Health and Human Services ([www.hhs.gov](http://www.hhs.gov)).

*The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) protects people's health and safety by preventing and controlling diseases and injuries; enhances health decisions by providing credible information on critical health issues; and promotes healthy living through strong partnerships with local, national and international organizations.*

**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

## **HAN Message Types**

- **Health Alert:** Conveys the highest level of importance; warrants immediate action or attention. Example: HAN00001
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- **Health Update:** Provides updated information regarding an incident or situation; unlikely to require immediate action. Example: HAN00309
- **Info Service:** Provides general information that is not necessarily considered to be of an emergent nature. Example: HAN00319

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