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# FRIDAY UPDATE

**May 10, 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 (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

### CDC PHEP Recipient Call Scheduled for May 15

The next monthly PHEP recipient conference call will be held from **2 p.m. to 3 p.m. EDT on Wednesday, May 15**. During the call, DSLR will provide updates on 2024 PHEP application reviews and notices of award and PHEP exercise framework requirements, as well as current emergency response highlights. A replay of the call will be held at 8 p.m. EDT on Thursday, May 16, using the same connection details. Following is the participant information.

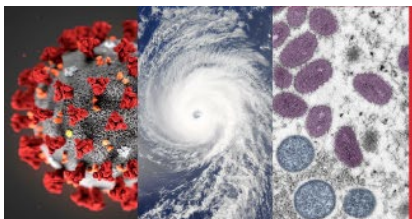
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## Emergency Response Activities

### CDC All-STLT Call to Be Held May 20

CDC's next All-STLT Update Call will be held from **2 p.m. EDT on Monday, May 20**. CDC subject matter

experts will provide updates on CDC's emergency response-related activities. A portion of time is also allotted to answer participants' questions regarding the presented topics. A replay of the call will be held at 3 p.m. EDT on Tuesday, May 21, using the same connection details. Following is the participant information.

#### Participant Information

Dial-In: (646) 828-7666 (Audio only)

Meeting ID: 161 016 7208

Passcode: 46217352

Access Link: <https://cdc.zoomgov.com/j/1610167208?pwd=Y1h2QWp5SFJDZlhnU2NoeDZrT21JUT09>

To subscribe to this listserv to receive updated invitations to the monthly CDC All-STLT Update Call and replay, email [eocevent375@cdc.gov](mailto:eocevent375@cdc.gov).

#### **CDC Continues to Work with States on Avian Influenza A(H5N1) Response Activities**

CDC's response to this outbreak of A(H5N1) bird flu in dairy cattle includes working with states to finalize and standardize study protocols for state-led field studies; beginning [weekly reporting on the numbers of people being monitored](#) and tested for A(H5N1) viruses; and engaging manufacturers and clinicians on the development of commercial H5N1 tests.

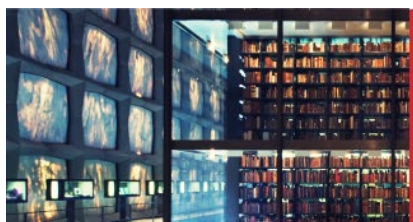
#### **CDC Launches New Measles Multimedia Webpage**

CDC recently launched a new [Measles Multimedia](#) webpage. The webpage features videos, infographics, and print materials on preventing measles and getting vaccinated.



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## Preparedness and Response Resources

#### **SNS to Host May Office Hours on PHEP Exercise Framework**

The next monthly Strategic National Stockpile (SNS) Office Hours will be held on **from 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. EDT on Wednesday, May 15**. This one-hour national call for state, local, tribal, and territorial partners will focus on PHEP exercise framework guidance that supports medical countermeasure (MCM) planning for public health emergency responses. During this session, subject matter experts from CDC and SNS will provide information on MCM-related exercise framework requirements in the 2024-2028 PHEP cooperative agreement notice of funding opportunity. Presenters will also discuss Cities Readiness Initiative responsibilities and the purpose of information data exchange.

Register [here](#) for the May SNS Office Hours. Within 72 hours of registering, registrants will receive an email from [no-reply@zoomgov.com](mailto:no-reply@zoomgov.com) with a calendar invite and information to join the call. For questions, please contact [sns-sltt@hhs.gov](mailto:sns-sltt@hhs.gov).

#### **CDC Foundation Offers Two Funding Opportunities on Climate Adaptation Initiatives**

The Climate and Health initiative is a partnership between the CDC Foundation and CDC's National Center for Environmental Health (NCEH). This initiative will convene a cohort of community-based organizations (CBOs) to partner with state and local health departments to develop climate adaptation and data collection plans, participate in virtual and in-person peer learning opportunities, and receive technical assistance from CDC Foundation and NCEH staff.

The CDC Foundation will offer 16 grants of up to \$100,000 to eight CBOs in the Gulf South region and eight CBOs in the Midwest/Great Plains region. Applications must be submitted by **11:59 p.m. EDT on May 31**.

Full details regarding these funding opportunities can be found at the [CDC Foundation RFP webpage](#) and at the following links.

- [Providing Climate Change and Health Community Support at the Local Level – Gulf South](#)
- [Providing Climate Change and Health Community Support at the Local Level – Midwest/Great Plains](#)

### **2024 State of Workplace Mental Health Webinar Scheduled for May 15**

The University of Colorado will host a webinar on the “State of Workplace Mental Health: 2024” from **1 p.m. to 2 p.m. EDT on Wednesday, May 15**. [Health Links®](#), along with local and national experts will discuss the state of workplace mental health in 2023 and 2024, best practices from small and large employers who focus on workplace mental health, and how the Black, Indigenous, and People of Color (BIPOC) community is impacted by workplace mental health. Register [here](#) to attend the webinar.



### **DSLRL Authors Publish Article on COVID-19 and Vaccine Uptake**

A new article published in the journal Vaccine highlights innovative approaches that reduced COVID-19 vaccination disparities in the U.S. territories and freely associated states (TFAS). [Strategies to Strengthen COVID-19 Vaccine Uptake and Improve Vaccine Equity in U.S. Territories and Freely Associated States during the First Six Months of Vaccine Rollout](#) is co-authored by four DSLR staff members on the STLT Support Task Force and DSLR's regional Career Epidemiology Field Officer in the Pacific Islands. Subject matter experts supporting CDC's COVID-19 Response recognized the unique historical, geographic, social, and cultural dynamics for residents in the U.S. territories and freely associated states and worked with partners to prevent, detect, and respond to the pandemic in these jurisdictions. As a result of innovative partnerships and vaccine distribution strategies, vaccine equity was improved in the during the COVID-19 vaccine rollout.

### **New CDC Resources Help Protect Against Extreme Heat**

The Atlantic hurricane season begins June 1, and Colorado State University hurricane researchers are predicting an extremely active Atlantic hurricane season in its initial [2024 forecast](#). The recent warmer temperatures are also a reminder of another annual summer occurrence – [extreme heat](#). Heat-related deaths and illnesses are preventable. Despite this fact, more than 1,200 people in the United States are killed by heat every year, making it the deadliest weather-related hazard.

Recently, CDC, in partnership with the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's (NOAA) National Weather Service (NWS), launched a new Heat and Health Initiative. The new initiative has three resources:

- The [HeatRisk Forecast Tool](#), designed for public health audiences, provides a seven-day, nationwide heat forecast of temperatures that may reach levels that could harm health.
- The [HeatRisk Dashboard](#), designed for the general public, integrates the HeatRisk Forecast Tool data with other information, including details on local air quality, to inform the public on how best to protect themselves when outdoor temperatures are high and could impact their health.
- New [CDC clinical guidance](#) helps clinicians keep at-risk individuals safe when temperatures rise.

Preparation, including having a clear, actionable [emergency plan](#), can significantly reduce the risks associated with hurricanes, tornadoes, heat, and other threats.



### CDC MMWR Reports

- [Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report, May 10](#)
- [Shiga Toxin–Producing \*Escherichia coli\* O157:H7 Illness Outbreak Associated with Untreated, Pressurized, Municipal Irrigation Water — Utah, 2023](#)
- [Notes from the Field: Increases in Imported Malaria Cases — Three Southern U.S. Border Jurisdictions, 2023](#)
- [Notes from the Field: Potential Outbreak of Extrapulmonary \*Mycobacterium abscessus\* subspecies \*massiliense\* Infections from Stem Cell Treatment Clinics in Mexico — Arizona and Colorado, 2022](#)

### 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** [RSV VaxView](#)

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