

Division of State and Local Readiness Friday Update

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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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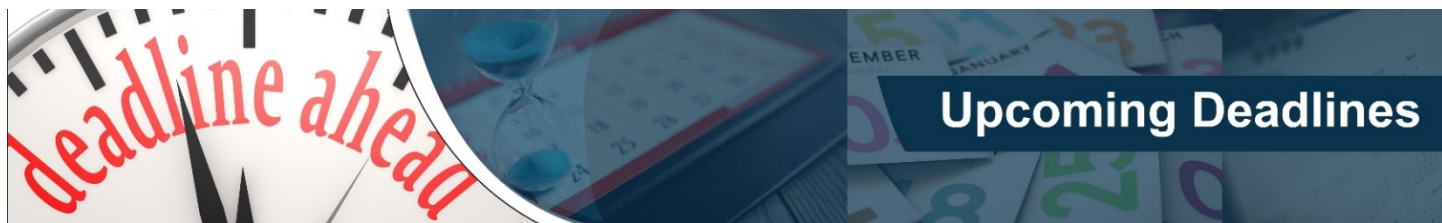
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HPP-PHEP Recipient Conference Call Scheduled for July 21

The next quarterly HPP-PHEP recipient conference call will be held from **2 p.m. to 3 p.m. EDT on Wednesday, July 21**. The joint call will start one hour earlier than normally scheduled to accommodate the COVID-19 vaccination planning call that begins at 3:30 p.m. EDT. In addition to ASPR and CDC updates, the agenda includes a recap of the May 26 joint recipient business meeting discussions, key takeaways, and proposed next steps. Following is the participant information.

Participant Information

Dial-In: (646) 828-7666

Meeting ID: 160 752 4717

Passcode: 07271150

Zoom Link: <https://cdc.zoomgov.com/j/1607524717?pwd=czhra1pScTQrS3ptR3pjMVVSRzEwZz09>

CDC PHEP Grants Management Call Scheduled for July 22

DSLRL and CDC's Office of Grants Services will conduct the next bimonthly PHEP grants management conference call from **3 p.m. to 4 p.m. EDT on Thursday, July 22**. During the call, CDC will review the [Match and Maintenance of Effort](#) presentation to address questions CDC continues to receive from recipients regarding these requirements. We will also discuss questions about PHEP and Crisis Response cooperative agreement funding. Recipients with urgent questions on this topic should contact their project officers. Following is the participant information.

Participant Information

Dial-In: (646) 828-7666

Meeting ID: 1612424804

Passcode: 42186276

Zoom Link: <https://cdc.zoomgov.com/j/1612424804?pwd=eG9OZ2hWUFRObIFPRTIHRFRJWWdUdz09>

PHEP Connects Evaluation Survey Available Online

An online survey evaluation of the July 14 PHEP Connects webinar, “Integrating Behavioral Health into Emergency Preparedness and Response: Lessons from Michigan,” is now available. DSLR encourages webinar participants to provide their feedback using the [online survey](#) by **11:59 p.m. EDT on Friday, July 31**. The survey can be completed in 10 minutes or less. DSLR will use the information collected to enhance the PHEP Connects webinar series to better meet jurisdictional needs. Participation is completely voluntary, and participants may withdraw from the survey at any time.



CDC Provides Information on Emergency Declarations

CDC’s COVID-19 Emergency Response leadership has distributed a [letter](#) to state health officials and other public health partners outlining the impact of federal and state emergency declarations. Resources provided in the letter include:

- [Expiring State COVID-19 Emergency Declarations: Effects on Federal Aid](#)
- [PREP Act Fact Sheet: Expanding the COVID-19 Vaccination Workforce](#)
- [Use of PREP Act to Administer COVID-19 Vaccines and ACIP Recommended Childhood Vaccinations](#)
- [Qualified persons identified and covered by PREP Act](#)

July 19 Partner Call to Discuss COVID-19 and Return to School

CDC will host a COVID-19 partner call on “COVID-19 and Returning to School” from **3 p.m. to 4 p.m. EDT on Monday, July 19**. Greta Massetti, co-lead of CDC’s COVID-19 Community Interventions and Critical Populations (CICP) Task Force, will share information and updates on K-12 school guidance. CICP is responsible for developing guidance and practical tools for community mitigation activities and special populations, particularly those disproportionately affected by COVID-19. Click here to register [here](#) for the webinar.

Additional Updated Resources Available for K-12 Schools

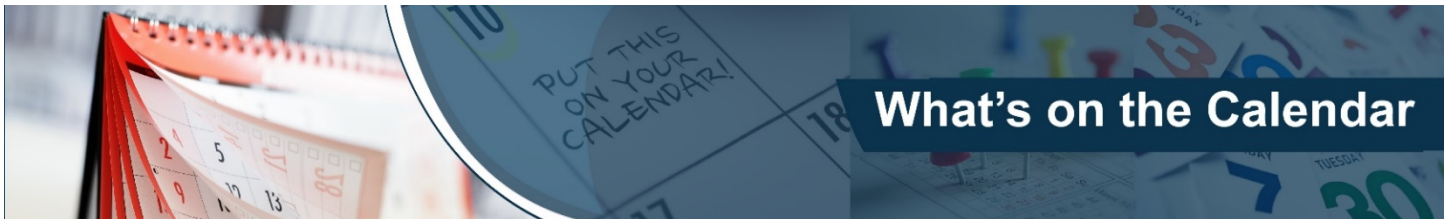
Along with the recently released [Guidance for COVID-19 Prevention in Kindergarten K-12 Schools](#) and [Science Brief: Transmission of SARS-CoV-2 in K-12 Schools and Early Care and Education Programs – Updated](#), CDC also released the following updated resources, which are based on the latest science and emphasize the COVID-19 prevention strategies most important for K-12 schools to support in-person learning.

- The updated version of the [COVID-19 Guidance for Early Care and Education \(ECE\) Programs](#), including childcare centers, home-based programs and family child care, Head Start, and other pre-kindergarten programs outlines strategies for ECE programs to reduce the spread of COVID-19 and maintain safe operations.
- [U.S. Department of Education COVID-19 Handbook Volume 1: Strategies for Safely Reopening Elementary and Secondary Schools](#): The Department of Education’s first volume supplements CDC’s Operational Strategy for K-12 Schools through phased mitigation. This handbook provides examples and roadmaps for educators and staff.
- [U.S. Department of Education COVID-19 Handbook Volume 2: Roadmap to Reopening Safely and Meeting All Students’ Needs](#): The Department of Education’s second volume of the Handbook focuses on research-based strategies to address the social, emotional, mental-health, and academic impacts of the pandemic on students, educators, and staff.

CDC Updates COVID-19 Resources

The following updated resources are now available on the CDC website.

- A new map showing the [Percent of Delivered First Vaccine Doses Administered by U.S. States and Territories](#) can be used to better understand how states are using their COVID-19 vaccine supply to initiate vaccination within their communities.
- CDC's [V-safe COVID-19 Vaccine Pregnancy Registry](#) is inviting pregnant women who received COVID-19 vaccination in the periconception period (within 30 days before last menstrual period) or during pregnancy to participate in the v-safe COVID-19 Vaccine Pregnancy Registry. Individuals who are pregnant and interested in participating can enroll in [v-safe](#).
- The updated CDC [Coronavirus Self-Checker](#) is an interactive clinical assessment tool that assists individuals ages 13 and older and parents and caregivers of children ages 2 to 12 on deciding when to seek testing or medical care if they suspect they or someone they know has contracted COVID-19 or has come into close contact with someone who has COVID-19.
- CDC implemented the [Cruise Ship Color Status](#), a COVID-19 color-coding system for cruise ships to mitigate transmission of COVID-19 onboard. Onboard [preventive measures](#) are recommended or required based cruise ship color status.



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CDC On-Demand Training on Developing Hurricane and Flooding Key Messages Now Available

CDC offers on-demand training on how to use the "[Preparedness and Safety Messaging for Hurricanes, Flooding, and Similar Disasters](#)" reference document to develop content for various communication products and channels. Special considerations for the COVID-19 pandemic are included. The online workshop is now live on the CDC Learning Connection [website](#). The course is also available [here](#) on the CDC TRAIN website.

CDC Offers August 9 RealOpt© Training on Vaccination and Point-of-Dispensing (POD) Sites

The next CDC virtual instructor-led RealOpt© training session on vaccination and point-of-dispensing (POD) sites will be held on **Monday, August 9**. Participants will learn the basic components of RealOpt©, a computer modeling program that determines POD or vaccination site staff requirements and examines process efficiencies based on site-specific configurations. With this tool, participants will learn to manipulate existing POD and vaccine flow models and how to run and interpret the performance reports. By the end of the session, participants will have learned how to build or modify their own models to identify where staff should be allocated and how to eliminate bottlenecks and optimize processing times.

CDC encourages POD and vaccination managers, local and state medical countermeasure planners, and other preparedness planners to register for the training session. Registration for the RealOpt© training session is completed through [CDC TRAIN](#). Please note the training registration deadline is **seven days** prior to the course delivery date. An additional training session will be held on **Thursday, September 16**.

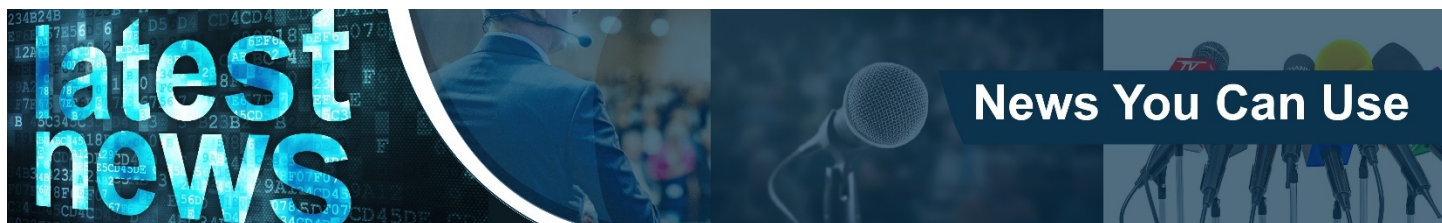
NEMA Conducts Workshop on Mission Ready Packages

The final two sessions in the National Emergency Management Association's (NEMA) series of workshops on developing mission ready packages (MRPs) will be held July 19 and August 25. MRPs are specific response or recovery capabilities that have been created to ensure the skills, capabilities and associated costs are bundled prior to an emergency or disaster for more efficient deployment. MRPs are based on National Incident Management System (NIMS) resource typing concepts but also identify specific details about the resource such as mission description and capability, estimated mission costs, resource footprint, limiting factors, and logistical support requirements. MRPs can greatly assist with the effective and timely deployment of mutual aid assets.

These workshop sessions are designed for resource providers. A resource provider is any organization able to deploy under the [Emergency Management Assistance Compact \(EMAC\)](#) and that has capabilities that might be needed during an emergency response. Previous knowledge of EMAC or MRPs is not required.

Click on one of the following sessions to register. Each session will provide the same information.

- **Monday, July 19 – 1 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. EDT**
<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZwkcOGhqjoiHtMjrRgoJYivDXQ7eD15dRKH>
- **Wednesday, August 25 – 1 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. EDT**
https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZAqfuuhqzqkqHNxT-rqUB8ph2BxwYuF0_Ywt



U.S. COVID-19 Global Response and Recovery Framework Available Online

The [U.S. COVID-19 Global Response and Recovery Framework](#) provides a focused set of objectives for U.S. agencies to execute a whole-of-government response. This response aims to shorten the lifespan of and ultimately end the COVID-19 pandemic globally; mitigate its wider harms to people and economies and support the global recovery; and build back better to strengthen international readiness for future biological threats. Additional information regarding this framework can be accessed at www.whitehouse.gov/briefing-room/statements-releases/2021/07/01/u-s-covid-19-global-response-and-recovery-framework/.



CDC MMWR Reports

- [Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report, July 16](#)
- [Heat-Related Emergency Department Visits During the Northwestern Heat Wave — United States, June 2021 Recommendations and Reports: Antimicrobial Treatment and Prophylaxis of Plague: Recommendations for Naturally Acquired Infections and Bioterrorism Response](#)
- [COVID-19 Vaccination Coverage Among Insured Persons Aged ≥16 Years, by Race/Ethnicity and Other Selected Characteristics — Eight Integrated Health Care Organizations, United States, December 14, 2020–May 15, 2021](#)
- [COVID-19 Vaccine Administration, by Race and Ethnicity — North Carolina, December 14, 2020–April 6, 2021](#)
- [Acceptability of Adolescent COVID-19 Vaccination Among Adolescents and Parents of Adolescents — United States, April 15–23, 2021](#)

- [SARS-CoV-2 B.1.617.2 \(Delta\) Variant COVID-19 Outbreak Associated with a Gymnastics Facility — Oklahoma, April–May 2021](#)

COVID-19 Guidance and Resources

- **UPDATED** [Cases in the U.S.](#)
- **UPDATED** [Cruise Ship Color Status](#)
- **UPDATED** [COVID-19 Travel Recommendations by Destination](#)
- **UPDATED** [Long-Term Effects of COVID-19](#)
- **UPDATED** [Recommendation to Resume Use of Johnson & Johnson's Janssen COVID-19 Vaccine](#)
- **UPDATED** [Selected Adverse Events Reported after COVID-19 Vaccination](#)

CDC Wants to Hear from PHEP Recipients

CDC wants to hear how PHEP jurisdictions are preparing for and responding to incidents, emergencies, and disasters, whether it's the COVID-19 pandemic, recent weather events, or other public health emergencies. Recipients can highlight their experiences in emergency preparedness, response, or recovery by emailing the State and Local Readiness mailbox at preparedness@cdc.gov.

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