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# 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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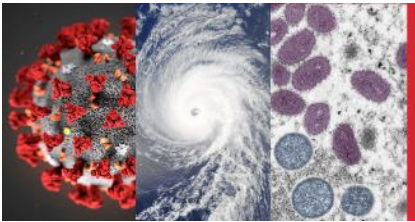
CDC has released two new Operational Readiness Review (ORR) forms for Budget Period 4 (BP4). These forms are designed to collect data regarding the annual PHEP exercise requirement and emergency operations center (EOC) activations.

- [Emergency Operations Center \(EOC\) Activations](#)
- [Annual PHEP Exercise \(Vulnerable Populations\) with Access and Functional Needs \(AFN\) Partners](#)

Recipients must submit these forms along with those related to the [50 capability planning elements](#). Other BP4 submission requirements include critical contact sheet (CCS) updates and workforce development and training (WDT) data. Recipients must also submit PHEP benchmark data related to Laboratory Response Network (LRN) requirements for biological and chemical threats. More information on BP4 requirements is available online at [PHEP BP4 At-a-Glance Program Requirement Updates](#).

CDC expects to have the BP4 ORR forms available in PORTS for data input in November.

While all 62 PHEP recipients are required to participate in the ORR this budget period, the local Cities Readiness Initiative (CRI) planning jurisdictions will not be required to submit data in BP4. However, states remain responsible for ensuring their local jurisdictions continue to advance relevant preparedness capabilities based on jurisdictional needs.



## Emergency Response Activities

### **CDC Allows Novavax Monovalent COVID-19 Boosters for Adults Ages 18 and Older**

On October 19, CDC Director Rochelle P. Walensky, MD, MPH, released a [media statement](#) allowing Novavax monovalent COVID-19 boosters for adults targeting the original COVID-19 strain. Her decision follows the [emergency use authorization](#) granted by the Food and Drug Administration.

Novavax monovalent COVID-19 boosters are available for adults if they have completed primary series vaccination but have not previously received a COVID-19 booster—and if they cannot or will not receive an updated mRNA booster.

CDC recommends that everyone ages 6 months and older stay [up to date](#) with COVID-19 vaccination. Persons 5 years and older are up to date if they have completed a primary series and received the most recent booster dose recommended by CDC. Vaccines are highly effective at protecting people from serious illness and remains the best way to protect from severe COVID-19 hospitalization and death.

Read the full media statement at [CDC Allows Novavax Monovalent COVID-19 Boosters for Adults Ages 18 and Older](#).

### **ACIP Recommends Updates to 2023 Child and Adult Immunization Schedules**

CDC's Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) [recommended updates to the 2023 childhood and adult immunization schedules](#) to include additional information for approved or authorized COVID-19 vaccines. The updated schedules and program guidance will be published in early 2023. CDC only makes recommendations for use of vaccines, while school-entry vaccination requirements are determined by state or local jurisdictions.

More than [630 million doses](#) of COVID-19 vaccines have been administered in the United States, providing people with critical protection against severe COVID-19. ACIP's recommendation to add COVID-19 vaccines to the routinely recommended [immunization schedule](#) represents another step in the nation's recovery from the pandemic.

Read the full media statement at [ACIP Immunization Schedule Vote](#).



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## Preparedness and Response Resources

**Public Health Worker Burnout Webinar Scheduled for November 3**

Pulitzer Prize winning oncologist Siddhartha Mukherjee and [CuraPatient](#) co-founder Charles Rockefeller will host a webinar on “Confronting Worker Burnout Using the Power of Data Modernization for Public Health” at **3 p.m. EDT on Thursday, November 3**. Presenters will discuss technology that modernizes data for public and private agencies to drive efficiencies to reduce the workload on case managers and public health staff. They will also discuss how jurisdictions can leverage this technology to modernize and strengthen public health infrastructure, workforce, and data systems. [Register](#) to attend the webinar.

### **New Global Health Communication Resource Available Online**

CDC’s new [Global Public Health Equity Guiding Principles for Communication](#) resource encourages individuals to adapt and apply these guiding principles when communicating with global partners or when communicating about global public health. Because different words, gestures, images, ideas, and relationships can have different meanings in different countries, this guide can help to recognize and bridge cultural differences. The guide can also enhance the effectiveness of oral and written communication skills.



### **NACCHO Announces Funding Opportunity for Reducing Overdose through Community Approaches Mentorship Program**

The National Association of County and City Health Officials (NACCHO), with support from CDC, has announced a funding opportunity for the Reducing Overdose through Community Approaches (ROCA) Mentorship Program. This funding opportunity pairs local health department (LHD) mentors with experience in overdose prevention with mentee LHDs aiming to strengthen their jurisdictional capacity. Full details can be found in the respective [Mentee Request for Proposals](#) and [Mentor Request for Proposals](#).

Applications must be submitted by **11:59 p.m. EST on Monday, December 5**.

NACCHO will host an optional informational webinar at **3 p.m. EST on Tuesday, November 8** to discuss the funding opportunity and respond to questions. [Register](#) to attend the webinar.



### **CDC Seeks Applicants for PIB Chief Position**

CDC is recruiting a supervisory health scientist to serve as the Program Implementation Branch chief in DSLR. This position reports to DSLR Director Christine Kosmos. Interested candidates must apply online at USAJOBS by **11:59 p.m. EDT on Wednesday, November 2**.

- Health Scientist (Open to the Public) – [www.usajobs.gov/GetJob/ViewDetails/683867600](http://www.usajobs.gov/GetJob/ViewDetails/683867600)

### **2023 Preparedness Summit Abstract Submission Deadline Extended to October 31**

The 2023 Preparedness Summit is scheduled for April 24-27 in Atlanta, and the [abstract submission](#) period is now open. The deadline for submission of abstracts has been extended to **Monday, October 31**. The 2023 theme, “Recover. Renew: Reprioritizing All-Hazards Preparedness,” will provide an opportunity to revisit pressing issues in preparedness and share resources, shape policies, and build skills to mitigate a variety of threats. Additional information is available on the [Preparedness Summit](#) website.

### **ASPR Awards \$21 Million to Health Facilities to Enhance Nation's Preparedness for Special Pathogens**

The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) Administration for Strategic Preparedness and Response (ASPR) recently awarded \$21 million to 13 health care facilities to serve as leading providers of care within their regions to sustain and improve health care system preparedness for emerging special pathogens.

The awards will assist in integrating clinical and health care systems' operational expertise into existing preparedness and response structures at the regional, state, jurisdiction, and local levels. These health care facilities will be better prepared for medical surge capacity and to respond to and treat infectious diseases caused by special pathogens during public health and medical emergencies.

Regional Emerging Special Pathogen Treatment Centers (RESPTCs) are hospitals with enhanced capability and capacity to care for highly infectious diseases, such as Ebola or COVID-19, and serve as regional hubs for the National Special Pathogen System. These hospitals are continuously ready and available to care for a special pathogen patient medically evacuated from overseas or diagnosed within the United States.

To learn more, read the full [press release](#) on ASPR's website.



## CDC MMWR Reports

- [Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report, October 28](#)
- [Severe Monkeypox in Hospitalized Patients — United States, August 10–October 10, 2022](#)
- [Influenza Incidence and Vaccine Effectiveness During the Southern Hemisphere Influenza Season — Chile, 2022](#)
- [Racial and Ethnic Disparities in Outpatient Treatment of COVID-19 — United States, January–July 2022](#)
- [Vital Signs: Influenza Hospitalizations and Vaccination Coverage by Race and Ethnicity—United States, 2009–10 Through 2021–22 Influenza Seasons](#)
- [Receipt of First and Second Doses of JYNNEOS Vaccine for Prevention of Monkeypox — United States, May 22–October 10, 2022](#)
- [Characteristics of JYNNEOS Vaccine Recipients Before and During a Large Multiday LGBTQIA+ Festival — Louisiana, August 9–September 5, 2022](#)
- [A Health Equity Approach for Implementation of JYNNEOS Vaccination at Large, Community-Based LGBTQIA+ Events — Georgia, August 27–September 5, 2022](#)
- [Notes From the Field: Dispensing of Oral Antiviral Drugs for Treatment of COVID-19 by Zip Code–Level Social Vulnerability — United States, December 23, 2021–August 28, 2022](#)
- [QuickStats: Age-Adjusted Death Rates for Stroke Among Adults Aged ≥ 65 Years, by Region and Metropolitan Status — National Vital Statistics System, United States, 2020](#)

## COVID-19 Guidance and Resources

- **UPDATED** [Overview of COVID-19 Vaccines](#)
- **UPDATED** [Stay Up to Date with COVID-19 Vaccines Including Boosters](#)
- **UPDATED** [Pregnant and Recently Pregnant People](#)
- **UPDATED** [Schools and Childcare Programs](#)

## Monkeypox Guidance and Resources

- **UPDATED** [Infection Prevention and Control of Monkeypox in Healthcare Settings](#)
- **UPDATED** [Vaccination](#)

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