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# FRIDAY UPDATE

**February 9, 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 (DSL)R Friday Update provides information and resources for PHEP recipients and other preparedness planners. Please share the newsletter with your colleagues.

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### February 14 PHEP Connects Webinar Highlights NIMS Guidance for Public Health Communities

CDC’s next PHEP Connects webinar, “The National Incident Management System (NIMS): Guidance for Public Health Communities,” is scheduled for **1 p.m. EST on Wednesday, February 14**. Guest presenters will provide an overview of the

National Incident Management System (NIMS), National Integration Center (NIC) planning guidance, and tools designed to assist state and local communities in addressing preparedness challenges. Additionally, a representative from Central Connecticut Health District will include a local perspective on resource typing, the common language used for the mobilization of resources in public health communities. Following is the participant information.



#### Participant Information

Dial-In: (669) 254-5252 (Audio only)

Meeting ID: 161 241 1865

Passcode: 569595

Access Link: <https://www.zoomgov.com/j/1612411865>

### CDC Provides New Tentative Dates for PHEP NOFO Informational Webinars

CDC will conduct two information webinars to discuss the new PHEP notice of funding opportunity (NOFO). The PHEP NOFO informational webinars are tentatively scheduled for Thursday, February 29. Both webinars

will provide the same information. Following are the new tentative dates and times.

- **2 p.m. EST on Thursday, February 29**
- **8 p.m. EST on Thursday, February 29**

CDC will conduct respective replays of the PHEP NOFO informational webinars on Thursday, March 7. Following are the tentative dates and times of the replay.

- **2:00 p.m. EST on Thursday, March 7**
- **8:00 p.m. EST on Thursday, March 7**

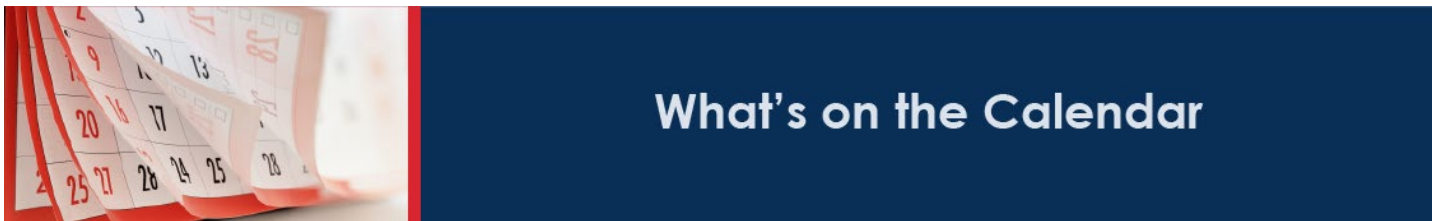
These dates and times are subject to change. CDC will provide more details when the webinars are finalized.



### February 1 COCA Call Recording Available Online

CDC's Clinician Outreach and Communication Activity (COCA) has released online a recording of its February 1 webinar, "[Diagnostic Testing and Treatment Guidelines for COVID-19 and Influenza.](#)" Presenters discussed flu and COVID-19 therapeutic options, eligibility, indications, and efficacy.

Additional CDC resources are available for health care providers on both [flu](#) and [COVID-19](#).



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### Targeted Violence and Terrorism Prevention Grant Program Application Guidance Available Online

The Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Center for Prevention Programs and Partnerships (CP3) recently announced the [2024 Targeted Violence and Terrorism Prevention \(TVTP\) Grant Program](#). This program provides funding for state, local, tribal, and territorial governments; nonprofits; and institutions of higher education with funds to establish or enhance capabilities to prevent targeted violence and terrorism.

The [2024 TVTP Application Guidance](#) is now available on grants.gov. This publication is a **forecasted announcement and not a formal call for applications**. The Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) is anticipated in March 2024. The Application Guidance will enable prospective applicants to familiarize themselves with the critical information necessary to begin seeking the necessary partnerships and preparing their applications prior to the NOFO's anticipated release, increasing accessibility to the grant program and supporting CP3's commitment to equity.

DHS will host two informational webinars for prospective applicants. Both webinars will cover the same information. Register [here](#) to attend the informational sessions.

- **3 p.m. EST on Tuesday, February 13**
- **1 p.m. EST on Thursday, February 15**

For additional information, visit the [TVTP Applicant Resources page](#) or send email inquiries to [TerrorismPrevention@hq.dhs.gov](mailto:TerrorismPrevention@hq.dhs.gov).

### **PFA Host Site Applications Available Online**

CDC is continuing to expand the current Preparedness Field Assignee (PFA) program to meet the growing preparedness and response needs of PHEP jurisdictions. DSLR is implementing a phased approach to strategically grow its field-based footprint and is seeking PHEP jurisdictions to host DSLR preparedness field assignees (PFAs) to increase their public health emergency preparedness and response capacity. CDC will fund the salaries of PFAs to develop skills and field experience in state and local emergency preparedness and response.

The program provides PFAs with hands-on field training and experience, thus increasing the overall program competency of DSLR staff. This opportunity is open to all PHEP recipients who currently **do not** host a PFA.

Interested jurisdictions must submit the [PFA Host Site Applications](#) to [dslrpfa@cdc.gov](mailto:dslrpfa@cdc.gov) by **11:59 p.m. on Friday, February 23**. For questions regarding the application submission, contact Scott Tulloch at [sdt2@cdc.gov](mailto:sdt2@cdc.gov).

Learn more about [Becoming a PFA Host Site](#).

### **SNS to Host February Office Hours**

The next Strategic National Stockpile (SNS) monthly Office Hours session is scheduled from **4 p.m. to 5 p.m. EST on Wednesday, February 28**. During this session, SNS health scientists will provide the most recent SNS science updates and answer questions on SNS formulary topics. To ensure maximum benefit from this session, participants are strongly encouraged to submit questions to [sns-sltd@hhs.gov](mailto:sns-sltd@hhs.gov) (subject: SNS Office Hours: Office of Science Updates) by Friday, February 9. Register [here](#) to attend the February SNS Office Hours.

### **ASPR Releases New Voluntary Performance Goals to Enhance Cybersecurity Across the Health Sector and Gateway for Cybersecurity Resources**

ASPR recently released voluntary health care specific cybersecurity performance goals (CPGs) and a new [gateway website](#) to help health care and public health sector organizations implement these high-impact cybersecurity practices and ease access to the plethora of cybersecurity resources HHS and other federal partners offer.

Read the ASPR full press release at [HHS Releases New Voluntary Performance Goals to Enhance Cybersecurity Across the Health Sector and Gateway for Cybersecurity Resources](#).

### **CIFOR Learning Modules Available Online**

The [Council to Improve Foodborne Outbreak Response \(CIFOR\) Learning Modules](#) provide summaries of the [CIFOR Guidelines](#). These guidelines are a comprehensive resource for state, local, tribal, territorial, and federal agencies involved in foodborne disease investigation and control. The modules cover topics such as

legal preparedness, planning and preparation, surveillance and outbreak detection, control measures, and multi-jurisdictional outbreaks.



### **New Study Highlights Importance of Bird Flu Surveillance in Live Bird Markets**

A new [CDC co-authored study](#) describes findings from avian influenza A(H5) virus surveillance in live bird markets (LBMs) across Vietnam over a nearly six-year period (March 2017- September 2022). The study found almost 40% of samples taken from LBMs in Vietnam were positive for influenza A viruses with the prevalence of H5 bird flu increasing in 2022. This study underscores how LBM surveillance remains a vitally important activity for situational awareness around bird flu, bird flu mitigation, and pandemic preparedness activities. Following are additional resources.

#### **Additional CDC Resources**

- [New Study Highlights Importance of Bird Flu Surveillance in Live Bird Markets](#)
- [Information on Bird Flu](#)

### **DHS Releases Statement on Safety and Enforcement During River Flooding in California**

The Department of Homeland Security (DHS) is working with its federal, state, local, and non-governmental partners to support the needs of the people in the areas that may be impacted by the atmospheric river system in California.

Learn more at [DHS Statement on Safety and Enforcement During the Atmospheric River System in California](#).



### **CDC MMWR Reports**

- [Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report, February 9](#)
- [Characteristics of Alcohol, Marijuana, and Other Drug Use Among Persons Aged 13–18 Years Being Assessed for Substance Use Disorder Treatment — United States, 2014–2022](#)
- [Selection of Antibiotics as Prophylaxis for Close Contacts of Patients with Meningococcal Disease in Areas with Ciprofloxacin Resistance — United States, 2024](#)
- [Severe Work-Related Injuries in the Oil and Gas Extraction Industry — 32 Federal Occupational Safety and Health Administration Jurisdictions, United States, January 2015–July 2022](#)
- [Comparison of Administration of 8-Milligram and 4-Milligram Intranasal Naloxone by Law Enforcement During Response to Suspected Opioid Overdose — New York, March 2022–August 2023](#)
- [Notes from the Field: Rapidly Linking an Outbreak of \*Salmonella\* Typhimurium Infections to Domestically Grown Cantaloupes Through Early Collaboration — United States, 2022](#)
- [QuickStats: Percentage of Children and Adolescents Aged 5–17 Years Who Had Ever Received a Diagnosis of Attention-Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorder, by Urbanization Level and Age Group — National Health Interview Survey, United States, 2020–2022](#)

### **CDC Online Resources**

- **UPDATED** [CDC Respiratory Virus Updates](#)

- **UPDATED** [Weekly U.S. Influenza Surveillance Report](#)
- **UPDATED** [Flu Vaccination Coverage Update](#)
- **UPDATED** [RSV VaxView](#)

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