Strengthening the Nation's Capacity to Respond to Domestic Infectious Diseases

CDC's Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity for Prevention and Control of Emerging Infectious Diseases Cooperative Agreement (ELC) provides financial support and technical assistance to the nation's health departments to detect, prevent, and respond to emerging infectious diseases. ELC's 65 recipients, which consist of state, large local, and U.S. territory and affiliate health departments, serve as the foundation for our national public health infrastructure and are integral to the nation's ability to tackle infectious disease threats.

The ELC accomplishes its mission by providing critical support for core public health programs and a range of disease-specific projects. ELC also distributes supplemental funding on behalf of CDC for emergency response efforts, such as those for the influenza H1N1, Zika, and Ebola epidemics, and most recently, the COVID-19 pandemic.

Innovative Design: What Sets ELC Apart



Flexible, response-ready funding allows recipients to meet their own changing needs, especially during small- and large-scale outbreaks.



Disease-specific programs and projects allow recipients to address specific pathogens or conditions that impact their communities.



Funding for leadership and management supports the strategic planning and management of ELC resources.



Cross-cutting projects and programs enhance collaboration between state epidemiology and laboratory, as well as local public health departments.

In 2025, ELC awarded approximately \$296M to its 65 recipients in core funding to continue the crucial work of health departments across the United States in fiscal year 2025 of the 5-year cooperative agreement (CK24-0002). Learn more about ELC at: www.cdc.gov/elc.



Fiscal Year 2025 Funding

Cross-Cutting Emerging Infectious Disease Capacity, Systems, and Leadership	Recipients	Award Amount
Cross-Cutting Epidemiology & Laboratory Capacity Program	65	\$28,954,244
ELC Leadership, Management & Administration Project	65	\$9,770,184
Health Information Systems Capacity Project	65	\$38,210,455
Advanced Molecular Detection Project	64	\$7,125,615
National Wastewater Surveillance System Project	16	\$13,854,161
Cross-Cutting Emerging Issues Project	24	\$19,202,282

Infectious Disease Programs	Recipients	Award Amount
Foodborne, Waterborne, Enteric, and Environmentally Transmitted Diseases: Capacity Building for Surveillance, Detection, Response, Reporting, and Prevention	58	\$37,844,968
Healthcare-associated Infections, Antimicrobial Resistance, and Antibiotic Stewardship	64	\$30,250,182
Antimicrobial Resistance Laboratory Network	56	\$19,900,139
Enhanced Surveillance for Vaccine-Preventable Disease (VPD) and Respiratory Diseases	65	\$44,026,142
Vector-borne Diseases and Tick-Associated Conditions: Building Comprehensive Programs to Identify, Diagnose, Report, Prevent, and Respond	65	19,180,482

Disease-Specific Projects	Recipients	Award Amount
Prion Surveillance	6	\$479,602
Mycotics: Detecting and Preventing Fungal Infections	37	\$5,483,766
Binational Border Infectious Disease Surveillance (BIDS)	4	\$863,039
Parasitic Disease Surveillance	10	\$180,000
Combating Antimicrobial-resistant Gonorrhea and Other STIs	18	\$6,500,000
Rabies Surveillance & Laboratory Capacity	19	\$150,000
SET-NET: Surveillance for Emerging Threats to Pregnant People and Infants Network	21	\$9,812,718
Human Papillomavirus Surveillance Among Men	3	\$300,000
HIV Centers for Cluster and Outbreak Response Enhancement	5	\$4,730,000
Total	\$296,817,979	

Note: Total award includes \$263M in annual funding and an additional \$33M to address ad hoc recipient needs.

