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FRIDAY UPDATE

August 4, 2023

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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PHEP Cooperative Agreement Updates

HPP-PHEP Recipient Meeting with Pacific Island Recipients Rescheduled for August 8

CDC and the Administration for Strategic Preparedness and Response (ASPR) have rescheduled their virtual meeting with HPP and PHEP recipients in the U.S.-affiliated Pacific Islands. This meeting will now be held during the Pacific Islands Preparedness and Emergency Response (PIPER) call scheduled for **8 p.m. EDT on Tuesday, August 8**. The final agenda and participant information will be sent to recipients via a separate email.

PHEP BP4 APR Module Now Open and PERFORMS Training Available

The PHEP Budget Period 4 (BP4) annual progress report (APR) module is now open in PERFORMS. CDC will conduct three training sessions on the APR module that recipients will use to submit BP4 programmatic updates. Recipients must submit APR data by **Tuesday, October 31**.

All three PERFORMS training sessions will cover the same information. Recipients are welcome to participate in one or all sessions.

- **11 a.m. EDT on Monday, August 7**
- **7 p.m. EDT on Monday, August 7**
- **1 p.m. EDT on Tuesday, August 8**

Participant Information

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

Meeting ID: 160 964 4297

Passcode: 000723

Access Link: <https://www.zoomgov.com/j/1609644297?pwd=L3dRYVp5d0t5VEFLRjFHhTRBV05oZz09>

CDC PHEP Connects Webinar Scheduled for August 9

CDC's next PHEP Connects webinar, "The Impact on Public Health Due to Power Outages - Part II," is scheduled for **1 p.m. EDT on Wednesday, August 9**. Presenters will discuss how power outages related to emergencies such as wildfires, hurricanes, and winter storms, whether planned or unplanned, create significant challenges for federal, state, and local communities. In addition, participants will learn how PHEP jurisdictions can leverage best practices, identify planning actions, and mitigation measures. Speakers will demonstrate how the use of preparedness strategies, new data and health information technology capabilities, tools, and resources help prevent adverse health impacts from power outages. Following is the participant information.



Participant Information

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

Meeting ID: 161 241 1865

Passcode: 569595

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

Responses to PHEP BP5 Conditions of Award Due August 15

PHEP recipients have until **Tuesday, August 15**, to submit their responses to any conditions associated with their Budget Period 5 (BP5) funding awards. Recipients should carefully review the terms and conditions of their notices of award (NoAs) to ensure they address all conditions of award (CoAs).

Recipients must respond to all weaknesses and required budget actions by submitting responses in the PERFORMS Program Management Module (PMM), and, if necessary, as grant notes in GrantSolutions by **August 15**. Recipients should refer to the NoA instructions on how to submit required grant notes.

Submissions in PERFORMS and GrantSolutions **must** include a cover letter noting:

- That conditions have been met or how they will be addressed,
- Required redirection requests, including a summary of proposed budget changes and corresponding budget redirection table, if applicable,
- Any NoA errors, including changes to key personnel, and
- Additional required documentation or requested information.

If programmatic or budget actions require the release of an NoA restriction, recipients should submit the request in GrantSolutions using the "Release of Restrictions on NoA" amendment type.

Recipients should direct questions about their NoAs and responding to CoAs to their PHEP project officers.



CDC Reopens Crisis Response NOFO

On July 27, CDC reopened the 2022 Public Health Crisis Response notice of funding opportunity (NOFO), [TP22-2201](#), on Grants.gov. The NOFO will remain open through **11:59 p.m. EDT on Friday, September 29**, to allow for applications from local health departments and tribes that meet eligibility requirements due to population changes. CDC plans to reopen the funding announcement annually during the NOFO's five-year performance period to ensure CDC maintains a current roster of eligible jurisdictions for public health emergency response funding. CDC encourages all applicants that meet the NOFO requirements to apply. This will ensure they may be eligible to receive rapid funding in the event a public health emergency occurs and funding is made available through this NOFO.

The Public Health Crisis Response Cooperative Agreement approved but unfunded roster currently includes 97 jurisdictions: 50 states, eight U.S. territories and freely associated states, 38 local jurisdictions, and one tribal government. The 2022 roster expires January 31, 2027.

For additional information, new applicants should contact DSLRCrisisCoAg@cdc.gov.



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Preparedness and Response Resources

August 10 COCA Call Addresses Clinical Vaccination Guidance for Pregnant People

CDC will conduct a Clinician Outreach and Communication Activity (COCA) call from **2 p.m. to 3 p.m. EDT on Thursday, August 17**. During this COCA call, presenters will give a comprehensive overview of timing and promotion of vaccines people should receive during pregnancy to protect themselves, their pregnancies, and their babies, focusing on Tdap, influenza, and COVID-19 vaccines. The presentation will also include an update on the respiratory syncytial virus (RSV) vaccine for pregnant people.

Materials for the call will be available on the [COCA Call webpage](#) in the call materials section. The presentation slides will be available the day of the call, and the call recording will be posted a few hours after the live event ends. Continuing education (CE) credits will be offered for this COCA call.

Participant Information

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

Webinar ID: 160 441 2918

Passcode: 650748

Access Link: <https://www.zoomgov.com/j/1604412918>

FEMA Center for Domestic Preparedness Adds Additional DREAM Course in September

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Center for Domestic Preparedness has added two additional Disaster Related Exposure Assessment and Monitoring (DREAM) courses on **October 29 through November 3**.

The DREAM training course is designed to provide knowledge and experience in assessing, monitoring, and tracking health effects to emergency responders and community members before, during, and after an emergency or disaster. This includes exposures to chemical, biological, radiological, nuclear, and explosive (CBRNE) threats and other hazards. The course provides training on disaster epidemiologic tools developed by the U.S. Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry and CDC's National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health. The tools include Emergency Responder Health Monitoring and Surveillance (ERHMS)[™], Assessment of Chemical Exposure (ACE), and Epi CASE (Case Assessment Symptom and Exposure).

The training course will take place in Anniston, Ala. FEMA covers state and local participants' travel expenses, lodging, and food. Interested participants must first register for a FEMA student identification number or SID to [apply](#) for the DREAM training course. For additional information, visit FEMA's [Disaster Related Exposure Assessment and Monitoring - Center for Domestic Preparedness](#) webpage.

NACCHO Releases Action Guide to Disrupt Inequitable Health Outcomes

The National Association of County and City Health Officials (NACCHO) and partners released [An Action Guide to Disrupt Inequitable Health Outcomes](#). This guide is a new community-developed tool providing informative cases, actionable steps, and practical resources to drive greater health equity. This guide focuses on four key areas: healthcare facilities and delivery; workforce pathways, research and data, and policy. It also features practical steps to begin or advance efforts toward meaningful change.



2024 Preparedness Summit Abstracts Due September 15

The [abstract submission](#) period is now open for the 2024 Preparedness Summit that will be held on March 25-28 in Cleveland, Ohio. The deadline for submission is **Friday, September 15**. The 2024 theme, "Public Health, Healthcare, and Emergency Management: Aligning to Address Cascading Challenges," will provide an opportunity to revisit pressing issues in preparedness and share resources, shape policies, and build skills to mitigate a variety of threats.

This year's planning committee invites public health, health care, disaster relief, emergency management, and other professionals nationwide to showcase and share their research findings, best practice training models, tools, or other resources that advance the field of public health and health care preparedness and response. The committee seeks evidence-based sessions that:

- Are evidence-based;
- Highlight programs or model practices that have proven effective in building and sustaining public health and healthcare preparedness at the national, state, local, or tribal level; and
- Demonstrate tools and resources that are replicable and scalable at the national, state, local, or tribal level.

More information about the event is available on the [2024 Preparedness Summit](#) website.



CDC MMWR Reports

- [Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report, August 4](#)
- [Fleaborne Typhus–Associated Deaths — Los Angeles County, California, 2022](#)
- [Cluster of Carbapenemase-Producing Carbapenem-Resistant *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* Among Patients in an Adult Intensive Care Unit — Idaho, 2021–2022](#)
- [Notes from the Field: Measles Outbreak — Central Ohio, 2022–2023](#)
- [Notes from the Field: Safety Monitoring of Novavax COVID-19 Vaccine Among Persons Aged ≥12 Years — United States, July 13, 2022–March 13, 2023](#)
- [Erratum: Vol. 72, No. 15](#)

- [QuickStats: Percentage of Emergency Department Visits with Medicaid as the Primary Expected Source of Payment Among Persons Aged <65 Years, by Race and Ethnicity — National Hospital Ambulatory Medical Care Survey, United States, 2011–2021](#)

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