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Welcome to the **October 2022** New York State Department of Health's e-Distance Learning Newsletter. **In this issue**, you will find virtual and in-person events, resources and opportunities, including on-demand and self-directed content available through the NYSDOH's NYLearnsPH.com Learning Management System (LMS). Check back each issue to find previously live content available on-demand at www.NYLearnsPH.com. **Questions?** Email: edlearn@health.ny.gov.

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- Monkeypox Resources Webpage: health.ny.gov/monkeypox
- Polio and immunization Webpage: health.ny.gov/polio

Feeling stressed by the COVID-19 epidemic? You are not alone. Call the NYS Emotional Support Helpline 7 days a week, 8am-10pm at 1-844-863-9314.

NYS Office of Mental Health:

https://omh.ny.gov/omhweb/disaster_resources/emergency-mental-health-resources.html

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Read the [Commissioner's Declaration Letter](#)

Governor Kathy Hochul today announced additional steps New York State is taking to address evidence of circulating poliovirus in New York State, including an official declaration to further support local health departments in driving immunizations. Earlier today, New York State Health Commissioner Dr. Mary T. Bassett declared poliovirus an imminent threat to public health in New York State, thereby expanding the availability of funding and resources to support local health departments in establishing immunization clinics, deploying vaccine to health care partners, and conducting outreach to unvaccinated and under-vaccinated New Yorkers to increase immunization rates particularly in the areas affected by the virus and among children.

"From day one, we've taken an aggressive public health approach to combat the spread of polio and ensure New Yorkers are protected," **Governor Hochul said**. "This declaration will bolster our ongoing efforts to protect New Yorkers against paralytic disease, prevent spread, and support our public health partners."

New York State Department of Health Commissioner Dr. Mary T. Bassett said, "Working daily with local county health departments, our partners at CDC, and trusted leaders, the Department is working effectively to increase childhood and community vaccination rates in counties where the virus has been detected. Thanks to long-established school immunization requirements, the vast majority of adults, and most children, are fully vaccinated against polio. Our focus remains on ensuring the on-time administration of polio vaccination among young children and catching kids and adults up who are unimmunized and under-immunized in the affected areas. That work continues at full force."

The declaration enables localities to continue to work closely with the State Department of Health's Office of Public Health Practice to claim reimbursement for these public health activities. The Commissioner's declaration covers poliovirus response activities undertaken from July 21 through Dec. 31.

Working with the State Department of Health, local health departments continue to actively respond to polio in New York State through wastewater monitoring, clinical surveillance, and vaccine administration for unimmunized and under-immunized New Yorkers. These departments are also conducting education and outreach in communities where the virus has been detected to spread greater awareness and encourage vaccination, particularly to parents and guardians of young children.

GOVERNOR HOCHUL ANNOUNCES (continued):

Following the [identification](#) of a case of paralytic polio in an unvaccinated individual in Rockland County, the State Health Department launched wastewater surveillance, a tool to check for signs of the virus in sewage water in communities. Sequence analysis from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention has since found repeated evidence of poliovirus detected in samples collected from Rockland County, Orange County, and Sullivan County as well as detected in samples collected from New York City and Nassau County.

Earlier this month, Governor Hochul declared a [State Disaster Emergency](#) to aggressively tackle any potential spread and threat to public health. The declaration increased the availability of resources to protect New Yorkers against paralytic disease.

Previously, Governor Hochul issued an [executive order](#), which immediately expanded the network of polio vaccine administrators by allowing emergency medical services workers, midwives, and pharmacists to administer vaccines and authorize physicians and certified nurse practitioners to issue non-patient specific standing orders for polio vaccines. Issued in July, this executive order also requires health care providers to send polio immunization data to the State Department of Health through the New York State Immunization Information System, enabling the agency and local health departments to focus vaccination activities where they are needed most and providing them yet another [datapoint](#) to understand the level of protection against polio in communities.

Polio vaccination has long been part of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices recommended immunization schedule and New York State's requirements to attend school. Most adults and many children in New York State are already vaccinated.

Polio vaccines provide durable protection, and the inactivated polio vaccine, the only vaccine available in the U.S., protects 99 to 100 percent of people against disease who receive all recommended doses. From July 21 to Sept. 25, approximately 26,000 polio vaccine doses have been administered to children 18 years and younger in Rockland, Orange, Sullivan, and Nassau Counties — a 26 percent increase compared to the same time period in 2021.

Parents and guardians with children 17 years of age or younger who are unvaccinated or not up to date with their polio immunizations should immediately make sure their children get up to date with all recommended doses. This is particularly urgent if they live, work, attend school, or have frequent social interactions with [communities where poliovirus has been repeatedly detected in wastewater](#), which includes Rockland, Orange, and Sullivan counties.

Unvaccinated or under-vaccinated New Yorkers who live or work in areas with repeated poliovirus detection and are at increased risk of exposure should make sure to get all [recommended doses](#).

New York adults outside of these areas who are unvaccinated, unsure of their vaccination status, or not up to date with vaccinations should consult with a health care provider. If vaccination is recommended and a provider does not have doses on hand, New Yorkers should contact their local health department.

GOVERNOR HOCHUL ANNOUNCES:

Polio is a serious, life-threatening disease that affects the nervous system and can cause muscle weakness, paralysis, or death. Polio is very contagious and can be spread by someone even if they aren't sick or experiencing symptoms, which range from mild flu-like symptoms to paralysis, permanent disability, and death.

- Learn more about [polio](#), [polio immunization](#), [polio vaccination rates for children by the age of 2 by county](#), by [ZIP code](#), and the latest [wastewater surveillance results](#).
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September 28th: UPDATES NEW YORKERS ON STATE'S PROGRESS COMBATING COVID-19

Keep Using the Tools to Protect Against and Treat COVID-19: Vaccines, Boosters, Testing, and Treatment

"As the weather gets colder bringing us back indoors, I urge New Yorkers to remain vigilant, be sure to use the tools that are available to keep themselves, their loved ones, and their communities safe and healthy," Governor Hochul said. "Take advantage of the vaccine by staying up to date on doses. Test before gatherings or travel and if you test positive, talk to your doctor about potential treatment options."

Governor Hochul continues to urge NYers to get their bivalent COVID-19 vaccine boosters from Pfizer-BioNTech for anyone age 12 or older and from Moderna for those 18 or older. To schedule a booster appointment, NYers should contact their local pharmacy, county health department, or healthcare provider; visit [vaccines.gov](https://www.vaccines.gov); text their ZIP code to 438829, or call 1-800-232-0233 to find sites nearby.

New Yorkers looking to schedule vaccine appointments for 5-11-year-old children are encouraged to contact their child's pediatrician, family physician, county health departments, Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHCs), rural health centers, or pharmacies that may be administering the vaccine for this age group. Make sure that the provider offers the Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine, as the other COVID-19 vaccines are not yet authorized for this age group.

In addition, Governor Hochul is encouraging New Yorkers to get their annual flu vaccine as flu season approaches. The flu vaccine is recommended for almost everyone 6 months and older. The flu virus and the virus that causes COVID-19 may simultaneously spread this fall and winter, so getting vaccinated against both is the best way to stay healthy and to avoid added stress to the health care system.

For information about flu vaccine clinics, [contact the local health department](#) or visit <https://www.vaccines.gov/find-vaccines/>

The Omicron variant now represents more than 95% of the viruses in circulation. For more information on variant tracking, please visit here: ([COVID-19 Variant Data | Department of Health \(ny.gov\)](#)).

Visit our [website](#) for parents and guardians for new information, frequently asked questions and answers, and resources specifically designed for parents and guardians of this age group.

GOVERNOR HOCHUL ANNOUNCES:

September 7th: NEW YORKERS CAN NOW RECEIVE NEW COVID-19 VACCINE BOOSTERS DESIGNED TO STRENGTHEN DEFENSES AGAINST OMICRON SUBVARIANTS

Updated COVID-19 Boosters for Individuals 12 Years and Older That Are Two Months Past Previous Booster or Original Series Completion

Masking Now Optional Where Previously Required In Settings Including Public Transportation, For-Hire Vehicles, Airports, Homeless Shelters, Correctional Facilities, and Detention Centers

To Find Nearby Locations Offering Updated COVID-19 Boosters, New Yorkers Can Text ZIP Code to 438829, Call 1-800-232-0233, or Visit [Here](#)

- [#VaxToSchool COVID-19 Vaccine Effort](#)
- **Learn more about COVID-19 Vaccines and Boosters [here](#)**

All New Yorkers outside of New York City, regardless of income or health insurance coverage who test COVID-19 positive, are eligible to be evaluated for treatment by calling 888-TREAT-NY (888-873-2869) available 24/7 or at the [NYS COVID-19 ExpressCare Therapeutics Access](#) website, which includes a telemedicine visit. The ExpressCare platform allows New Yorkers to receive virtual care from NYC Health + Hospitals providers who have clinical training to prescribe treatment and referrals if needed.

- NYC residents should call 212-COVID-19
- Learn more about COVID-19 treatment options at health.ny.gov/CovidTreatment.
- The [COVID-19 Vaccine Tracker Dashboard](#) is available to update New Yorkers on the distribution of the COVID-19 vaccine.

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STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH ANNOUNCEMENTS: Long COVID

September 21st: STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH LAUNCHES NEW WEBSITE AND AUDIO RESOURCES TO SUPPORT NEW YORKERS WITH LONG COVID

Continuation of State's Ongoing Commitment to Respond to Long COVID

Includes New, Accessible Resources to Guide Those Seeking Information and Providers Treating Long COVID Patients

- **Learn more at our Long COVID website [here](#) [Español](#) [中文](#) [Русский](#) [ভাষা-বাংলা](#) [한국어](#) [Kreyòl Ayisyen](#) [Italiano](#) [العربية](#) [Polski](#) [Français](#) [اردو](#)**
- **September 26th UPDATE: Long COVID FAQ now available in an audio format, listen [here](#).**
- Learn more about the COVID-19 vaccine: [COVID-19 Vaccine](#).

New Yorkers who test positive for COVID and think they may be suffering from long COVID can prepare to [Discuss Post-COVID Conditions](#). There is also a [Healthcare Appointment Checklist](#) designed to help patients and caregivers get the most out of appointments with healthcare providers.

Because management of long COVID may require a team approach, a healthcare provider can help you get referrals to other providers who offer focused care.

New Yorkers who have, or had, COVID-19 and are not getting better should call their health care provider or visit our [Provider List](#).

If you are struggling with long COVID symptoms or suspect you have long COVID and you do not have a health care provider, don't wait to seek care. Reach out to a health care provider as early as possible. If you do not have a health care provider, use the [NYS Provider & Health Plan Look-Up Tool](#) to find one that works with your health plan. If you are a New York City resident, you can visit the [NYC Health and Hospitals aftercare page](#) for more resources.

Governor Hochul has also launched new, [online education opportunities](#) to help workers who believe they contracted COVID-19 due to an exposure at work, especially those suffering from ongoing long COVID symptoms. A new series of webinars - offered through the New York State Workers' Compensation Board - will provide information on workers' rights when it comes to filing a workers' compensation claim and the cash and/or medical benefits they may be eligible to receive. For COVID-19-related questions and other information relating to health coverage, visit the [NYS Department of Financial Services' COVID-19 FAQ page here](#).

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All New Yorkers who are unvaccinated, including children by 2 months of age, those who are pregnant, and people who have not completed their polio vaccine series previously, should get immunized right away. Unvaccinated New Yorkers or those not up to date with immunizations who live, work, go to school in, or visit Rockland County, Orange County, New York City, Sullivan County, and Nassau County are at the highest risk of contracting paralytic disease.

The inactivated polio vaccine (IPV), the only vaccine available in the United States, is safe, and contains no live virus. It protects 99 – 100 percent of people who get all recommended doses. In accordance with CDC, the polio immunization schedule by age is as follows:

- **All children should get 4 doses of the polio vaccine.** The first dose should be given at 6 weeks through 2 months of age, followed by one dose given at 4 months of age, 6 through 18 months old, and 4 through 6 years old.
- **People starting the polio immunization series after 4 years of age who are unvaccinated or are unsure if they have been immunized should receive a total of 3 doses.**
- **Adults who have only had 1 or 2 doses of the polio vaccine in the past should get the remaining 1 or 2 doses** – it does not matter how long it has been since the earlier doses.
- In addition, adults who live or work in the areas where poliovirus has been detected (Rockland County, Orange County, New York City, Sullivan County, and Nassau County) and don't believe they are vaccinated should get vaccinated.

At this time, the following New Yorkers who have previously completed their polio vaccine series should receive one lifetime booster dose of IPV:

- Individuals who will or might have close contact with a person known or suspected to be infected with poliovirus or such person's household members or other close contacts.
- Healthcare providers working in areas where poliovirus has been detected (Rockland County, Orange County, Sullivan County, New York City, or Nassau County) who might handle specimens that might contain polioviruses or who treat patients who might have polio (e.g., urgent care, emergency department, neurology, virology laboratory workers).
- Individuals with occupational exposure to wastewater can consider a booster.

Polio is a dangerous, debilitating, and life-threatening disease. Spread from person-to-person, poliovirus enters the body through the mouth, usually from hands contaminated with the stool of an infected individual. People can spread the virus even if they do not know they are sick, and asymptomatic spread is a high concern among health officials. According to CDC, 70 percent of people infected with polio experience no symptoms. About 25 percent experience mild or flu-like symptoms that may be mistaken for many other illnesses. About 1 in 100 individuals will develop severe disease, including permanent paralysis. Of those paralyzed, 2-10 percent die when their breathing muscles become immobilized. Based on evidence from earlier polio outbreaks, health officials estimate that for every one case of paralytic polio observed, there may be hundreds of other people infected.

There is no cure for polio, but it is preventable through safe and effective vaccination. A core component of CDC's childhood immunization schedule and required by [NYSDOH for all school-aged children](#), most children are already vaccinated. New Yorkers who are unsure of their or their child's vaccination status should reach out to a healthcare provider right away. A rate of well over 90 percent is NYSDOH's goal, and every adult and child must be up to date with vaccinations to prevent disease at the individual level. In addition to immunization to prevent disease, **New Yorkers should know that handwashing with soap is important, as alcohol-based sanitizers do not work on some types of germs, like polio.**

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STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH ANNOUNCEMENTS: Monkeypox

September 28th: Executive Order 20.2 “Declaration of a Statewide Disaster Emergency due the Ongoing Spread of the Monkeypox Virus in the State of New York” was continued through October 27th <https://www.governor.ny.gov/executive-order/no-202-continuing-declaration-statewide-disaster-emergency-due-ongoing-spread>

The JYNNEOS CDMS operation has been modified to allow for a second dose automation moving forward. The team was distributing an alert to all LHD users letting them know of the change, including a quick card reference for setting this up.

For more Healthcare Provider info, visit: [Monkeypox for Healthcare Providers Page \(ny.gov\)](#)

ICYMI Help keep communities safe and sexually healthy. Please share the materials listed below:

- [MP - Protect yourself, your friends and your community Poster \(PDF\)](#)
- [MP - Protect Your Community and the People You Party or Play With Poster \(PDF\)](#)
- [MP - What all New Yorkers Should Know \(PDF\)](#)
- [MP - Palm Card \(PDF\)](#)
- *Want printed copies mailed to you? Please fill out [this order form](#) and email to bmcc@health.ny.gov.*
- **Visit** health.ny.gov/monkeypox

NEW! Weekly Monkeypox Briefing (Thursdays at 2:00 PM EST)

Sponsored by Department of Health and Human Services Office of Intergovernmental and External Affairs, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA), and the Administration for Strategic Preparedness and Response (ASPR)

Date: Every Thursday (October 6th, 13th, and 20th)

Time: 2:00 PM EST

Register for the [briefing here](#).

NEW! NYSDOH & NYCDOHMH Providers Webinar September 29, 2022 :

[Dermatologic Considerations for Monkeypox Among People of Color](#)

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The Office of Minority Health and Health Disparities Prevention (OMHHDP)

View the [2021 Health Equity Reports](#) provide an analysis of the health status of minority citizens and the status of minority health delivery systems.

Join OMHHDP [Health E-Newsletter](#) email list.

In continuation of the observance of National Hispanic Heritage Month, The Office of Minority Health and Health Disparities Prevention has compiled information regarding the effects of the recent health epidemics on the NYS Hispanic Population around COVID-19, and Monkeypox.

OMHHDP – COVID-19

- NYS Department of Health COVID-19 tracking has found that hospital admissions of Hispanic New Yorkers is at about the same rate as white New Yorkers (approximately 8 people per 100,000 during the Omicron surge in January 2022 and approximately 1.5 people per 100,000 as of September 2022)

- Hispanic New Yorkers also have the highest rate of death in NYC at 34% of deaths (29% of the population) and the 3rd highest rate of deaths, when excluding NYC, at 8% of deaths (12% of the population) according to NYS Dept of Health
- “The Hispanic community has been disproportionately hurt by the coronavirus pandemic due to their jobs as essential workers and multigenerational living conditions, according to a panel of health experts at Duke University.” (<https://www.cnn.com/2020/06/10/health/hispanics-disparity-coronavirus/index.html>).
- “We’re talking about people who, during this pandemic, have been essential in working in meatpacking plants and manufacturing. They have been involved in cleaning, maintenance, construction jobs,” Dr. Viviana Martinez-Bianchi, a primary care doctor and associate professor in family medicine and community health at Duke, said during the discussion panel (<https://www.cnn.com/2020/06/10/health/hispanics-disparity-coronavirus/index.html>).
- However, Hispanic New Yorkers have the 2nd highest rate of vaccinations at 71.5% of the population having completed vaccination series, according to NYS Dept of Health.

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OMHHDP – Monkeypox

- As of September 9th, 2022, a total of 3,542 orthopoxvirus/monkeypox cases have been confirmed, according to NYS Dept of Health.
- “Among the cases with available data, 94% were in men who reported recent sexual or close intimate contact with another man. More than half (54%) of cases were among Black and Hispanic people, a group that represents about a third (34%) of the general US population.” (<https://www.cnn.com/2022/08/05/health/monkeypox-black-hispanic-reaj/index.html>).
- “According to data from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, as of Aug. 31, people of color make up more than two-thirds of reported monkeypox cases in the nation with 29% of cases reported among Hispanics.” (<https://abcnews.go.com/Health/black-hispanic-americans-receive-monkeypox-vaccines-cdc/story?id=89402028>).
- Only 13.9% of first doses of the JYNNEOS vaccine have been administered to Hispanic New Yorkers
- Comparatively, white New Yorkers make up 30% of cases and have received 62% of first dose monkeypox vaccines, according to NYS Dept of Health.

Sources:

- <https://coronavirus.health.ny.gov/hospital-admissions-raceethnicity>
- <https://coronavirus.health.ny.gov/fatalities-0>
- <https://www.health.ny.gov/diseases/communicable/zoonoses/monkeypox/>
- https://www.health.ny.gov/diseases/communicable/zoonoses/monkeypox/docs/demographic_data.pdf
- https://www.health.ny.gov/diseases/communicable/zoonoses/monkeypox/docs/vaccination_demographic_data.pdf
- <https://www.cnn.com/2020/06/10/health/hispanics-disparity-coronavirus/index.html>
- <https://abcnews.go.com/Health/black-hispanic-americans-receive-monkeypox-vaccines-cdc/story?id=89402028>
- <https://www.census.gov/>
- <https://www.cdc.gov/poxvirus/monkeypox/response/2022/demographics.html>

NYSDOH ANNOUNCEMENTS: BRFSS Reports (September 2022)

New reports based on 2020 Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS)

The Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS) is an annual telephone survey of adults developed by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention conducted in all 50 States, the District of Columbia, and several US Territories. The New York BRFSS is administered by the New York State Department of Health to provide statewide and regional information on behaviors, risk factors, and use of preventive health services related to the leading causes of chronic and infectious diseases, disability, injury, and death. Data from the BRFSS are useful for planning, initiating, and supporting health promotion and disease prevention programs at the state and federal level, and monitoring progress toward achieving health objectives for the state and nation.

September 15th: NYSDOH BRFSS report “[Diagnosed Diabetes, New York State Adults, 2020](#)” provides updated prevalence estimates of diagnosed diabetes in the state. According to the report:

- An estimated 1.58 million adult New Yorkers (10.3%) have diagnosed diabetes.
- The prevalence of diabetes is significantly higher among Black, non-Hispanic adults (15.1%) than White, non-Hispanic adults (8.3%).
- Adults with obesity are significantly more likely to report being diagnosed with diabetes (17.8%) compared to adults with overweight (10.2%) or with neither overweight nor obesity (6.4%).
- Diabetes is more prevalent among adults receiving Medicare (21.4%) or Medicaid (13.6%) than among those with private insurance (6.9%) and is more common among older adults, adults with lower household incomes and educational attainment, and adults living with a disability.

September 1st: NYSDOH BRFSS report “[Cannabis Use, New York State Adults, 2020](#)” provides new prevalence estimates of NYS adults who report using marijuana or cannabis in the past 30 days, the mode (or method) and reasons for use. According to the report:

- An estimated 1.6 million NYS adults aged 18 and older (12.8%) report using cannabis in the past 30 days.
- Just over half of the adults who consume cannabis, or 6.8% of all adults, consume it less than 20 days per month, while an estimated 6% of adults consume cannabis daily or near daily (20 or more days per month).
- Of those who consume cannabis, the most common mode of cannabis use is smoking (73.8%) followed by eating (12.1%) and vaporizing (9.3%).
- Among cannabis consumers, 44% use it for non-medical reasons alone, 36% for medical and non-medical reasons, and 19% for medical reasons only. In total, eight out of 10 New Yorkers who consume cannabis use it, in part, for non-medical reasons, while five out of 10 use it, in part, for medical reasons.
- Prevalence of cannabis use decreases with increasing age and is significantly higher among males and individuals who self-identify as lesbian, gay, bisexual, or other sexual orientation (LGBO) or transgender.

Both non-daily cannabis use and daily or near daily cannabis use are significantly higher among adults who report frequent mental distress, currently smoke, use e-cigarettes, and report binge or heavy drinking.

Cannabis is commonly used in the United States with an estimated 48.2 million people consuming it in 2019. The NYSDOH established a regulated medical cannabis program in November 2016 allowing doctors or other health care providers to prescribe cannabis for treatment of debilitating or life-threatening medical conditions. In NYS, adult-use cannabis became legal for individuals aged 21 and older on March 31, 2021. Cannabis is believed to have a wide effect on health, but more research is needed. The NYSDOH is committed to monitoring trends in adult cannabis use to understand use in the population and its associated impact on health and health-related outcomes.

This brief has been approved for public release. Please feel free to use and share this report and the data with your partners and colleagues.

Additional reports and resources are available on the NYSDOH Public Website:

<https://www.health.ny.gov/statistics/brfss/reports/>

https://health.ny.gov/statistics/prevention/injury_prevention/information_for_action

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CDC Health Alert Network -- [2022 HAN Messages | Health Alert Network \(HAN\)](#)

- **September 29th:** [Severe Manifestations of Monkeypox among People who are Immunocompromised Due to HIV or Other Conditions](#)

The purpose of this Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Health Alert Network (HAN) Health Advisory is to inform healthcare providers that

- 1) Severe manifestations of monkeypox have been observed in the United States in the current outbreak.
 - 2) People who are immunocompromised due to HIV or other conditions are at higher risk for severe manifestations of monkeypox than people who are immunocompetent.
 - 3) Because people with HIV-associated immunocompromise are at risk for severe manifestations of monkeypox, the HIV status of all sexually active adults and adolescents with suspected or confirmed monkeypox should be determined.
 - 4) There are diagnostic and clinical management strategies that may help address severe manifestations of monkeypox.
- **August 30, 2022:** [Variant Influenza Virus Infections: Recommendations for Identification, Treatment, and Prevention for Summer and Fall 2022](#)

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CDC's COVID-19 tools are regularly updated with the latest information, data, and guidance. Many of these tools connect to resources in several languages [COVID-19 Toolkits \(cdc.gov\)](#)
Additional CDC COVID-19 Resources:

- [V-safe After Vaccination Health Checker | CDC](#)
- [Vaccine Adverse Event Reporting System \(VAERS\) | CDC](#)
- [Frequently Asked Questions about COVID-19 Vaccination | CDC](#)
- [COVID-19 Vaccine FAQs for Healthcare Professionals | CDC](#)
- [Interim Clinical Considerations for Use of COVID-19 Vaccines | CDC](#)

Fall into October's featured trainings on [CDC Learning Connection](#)

- Ethical dilemmas can arise when working with people who may have experienced trafficking. Learn how to apply ethical principles and protect individuals' privacy in [SOAR - Ethical Considerations](#). **Free CE.**
- [Sign up](#) for our newsletter to stay informed about quality public health trainings from CDC and partners.

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Centers for Disease Control and Prevention e-Learning Institute

Public health training developers: create quality training with expert help from the [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention](#) (CDC) and [Public Health Foundation](#). If you develop training for your organization, apply for CDC's free, six-month [E-Learning Institute \(ELI\) Fellowship](#). Applicants do not need to have formal education in training development; skilled training developers serve as mentors for ELI fellows. [Learn more](#) about ELI and [apply](#) before October 21, 2022.

###

Project Firstline

When One Size Doesn't Fit All: PPE Fit and Equity in Health Care

Properly fitting PPE is both a matter of safety for healthcare workers and patients, and a critical aspect of creating diverse, inclusive healthcare environments where everyone is supported and treated equitably.

- A [recent episode](#) of "Stories of Care," the podcast by the American Medical Association (AMA) and CDC's Project Firstline, discusses the issues of PPE fit and the lack of training on proper PPE use within health care.
- [CDC's Project Firstline](#) aims to help with that issue by providing innovative and accessible infection control education designed for all healthcare workers, regardless of previous training or educational background.
- To read more about the needs of properly fitted PPE, check out our latest blog post: [When One Size Doesn't Fit All: PPE Fit and Equity in Health Care](#).

New Interactive Resources on Infection Control

Understanding the stress and time constraints of working in a healthcare setting, [Project Firstline](#) has created new infection control educational resources that are interactive, approachable, and easy to use on your own schedule. Healthcare workers can test their infection control knowledge in real time with a variety of [interactive resources](#), including:

- **When Healthcare Tasks Take a Turn!** – How well can you stop infections from spreading when dealing with the unexpected?
- **What's Wrong with This Picture?** – Identify the infection risks in common healthcare settings to reduce the spread of germs.
- **Interactive Infographic** – Explore the healthcare environment to understand where germs live and how they spread.

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September 22nd: Updated Messaging: Answering Questions on the State of the Pandemic

Many people are asking when the pandemic will end or if the pandemic is over. Although we have come a long way in combating COVID-19 and we remain on the right track, **COVID-19 continues to be a serious threat in some communities—and especially for people who are at highest risk of severe disease.**

PHCC has updated their [messaging guidance](#) to help you answer questions about the state of COVID-19, following President Biden's recent statement on *60 Minutes* regarding the end of the pandemic. Here are topline tips and considerations to help you communicate about the state of the pandemic and the continuing need for precautions:

- Emphasize the progress we've made
- Explain that the threat remains
- Emphasize public health recommendations
- Recognize uncertainty
- Underscore the role of public health

For additional resources, you can also use their "[Building Bridges](#)" resource to learn how to stay grounded in core messages and build trust with fact-based messaging. Using bridging statements effectively is also PHCC's #TipOfTheWeek!

- [Building Bridges Communications Tool](#)
- [Answers to Tough Questions](#)
- [COVID-19 Testing Toolkit](#)
- [Daily Downloads](#)
- [Booster Dose Toolkit](#)
- [Misinformation Alerts](#)
- [Other Messaging Resources](#)
- [Talking Points](#)
- [Messaging: Monkeypox](#)
- [NEW Directory of Mental Health Resources](#)

AmeriCorps – Public Health

In partnership with CDC, AmeriCorps recently [announced](#) the next round of funding for the [Public Health AmeriCorps](#) program. Public Health AmeriCorps is a groundbreaking initiative funded by the American Rescue Plan Act. Organizations interested in hosting one or more Public Health AmeriCorps members may apply for the [2023 Public Health AmeriCorps Grant](#) through January 4, 2023, at 5:00 p.m. (ET). Successful applicants will be notified in April 2023. Public Health AmeriCorps members will provide support to recipient organizations and become a valuable part of our nation's public health workforce. Eligible organizations include nonprofit, faith-based, tribal and community-based organizations; higher-education institutions; state, local and territorial government entities, including local public health departments.

Association of State and Territorial Health Officials (ASTHO)

NEW! Resources

- [Building a Culture of Care: Leadership in Public Health Agencies](#) (blog)
- [Men and Firearms: Proven Public Health Interventions to Curb Violence](#) (Blog)
- [Hiring Practices That Support State Integration of Community Health Workers](#)
- [Supporting Pregnant and Postpartum Women with Opioid Use Disorder: An Infographic Series](#)
- [As public health does double duty, everyday work falls behind](#) | *The Nation's Health* | Michael Fraser, ASTHO CEO
- [AmeriCorps Hopes to Breathe Life into Public Health Workforce](#) | *Governing* | ASTHOGoverning

New Article in the American Journal of Public Health | ASTHO and the University of Washington co-authored a new article on the growing climate crisis and what it will take to get state and territorial health agencies ready to respond to the effects of climate change on public health.

[Check out the full article for more.](#)

eLearning Series for QI & Planning: ASTHO has published two performance improvement eLearning series. Available in English and Spanish they can be used asynchronously or as a team refresher.

- The [Quality Improvement Learning Series](#)
- The [Data Visualization for Performance Improvement Learning Series](#) These are available on [ASTHO's eLearning Center](#) and [TRAIN](#).

State/Territorial Policy Considerations for Preventing Adverse Childhood Experiences

National Association of County & City Health Officials (NACCHO), in collaboration with the Association of State & Territorial Health Officials (ASTHO): Suicide, Overdose, and Adverse Childhood Experiences Prevention Capacity Assessment Tool (SPACECAT).

This report details several areas in which LHDs reported strengths including, inclusion of the perspectives of those with lived experience, partnerships across sectors, and strategic planning across prevention focus areas.

Recommendations for next steps to address the intersection of suicide, overdose, and ACEs prevention include:

1. Increasing collaboration across these three prevention areas
2. Leveraging capacity in overdose prevention
3. Consideration of both upstream and downstream approaches in these three areas of prevention
4. Further development of partnerships and sustainable funding source

Access the full report [here](#).

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The Public Health Accreditation Board (PHAB)

PHAB is forming the first cohort of the [Pathways Recognition program](#). Pathways is a program for local, Tribal, and territorial health departments to support performance efforts, strengthen infrastructure, promote public health system transformation, and facilitate accreditation readiness. Apply by December 15, 2022 to join the first cohort of health departments and start on the path to performance improvement and PHAB accreditation.

- **Interested in Pathways?** [Visit PHAB's website](#) for more information.
- [Pathways Webinar: A Step Toward Performance Improvement](#) – October 20, 2022 1-2pm

To apply for Pathways Recognition, health departments must first [register](#) to begin the Readiness and Training process. This process includes a Readiness and Training fee and provides access to the Readiness Assessment, on-demand trainings, and a live training. The Readiness Assessment is a way for health departments to assess their readiness for Pathways Recognition and gain valuable feedback directly from PHAB.

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TRUST FOR AMERICA'S HEALTH:

[The 19th annual State of Obesity 2022: Better Policies for a Healthier America](#) report, released today by Trust for America's Health (TFAH), finds that obesity rates continue to climb nationwide and within population groups. These persistent increases underscore that obesity is caused by a combination of factors including societal, biological, genetic, and environmental, which are beyond personal choice. Addressing the obesity crisis will require attending to the economic and structural factors of where and how people live.

[Vaping Prevention and Education Resource Center](#). The online resource center provides science-based, standards-mapped materials that teachers can use to help their students understand the dangers associated with vaping and nicotine addiction.

The Association of Asian Pacific Community Health Organizations released the report [The Health Of Asian Americans, Native Hawaiians And Pacific Islanders Served At Health Centers: An Analysis of the 2020 Uniform Data System](#). This report examines current patient demographics and utilization of health services at health centers serving Asian Americans (AAs) and Native Hawaiians and Pacific Islanders (NH/PIs) and highlights the differences between these centers and the national average of all health centers in the United States.

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National Network of Public Health Institutes (NNPHI)

REPORT: GLIDEPATH to the FUTURE of PUBLIC HEALTH (GLIDEPATH FPH)

The National Network of Public Health Institutes (NNPHI), in collaboration with The Georgia Health Policy Center (GHPC) and Health Resources in Action (HRiA), developed this report to provide tactical and strategic frameworks for modernizing public health structures, systems, and practices.

GLIDEPATH FPH is designed for health department leaders actively building the future of public health practice in their respective jurisdictions and for nonprofit partners engaged in building capacity to protect and improve public health. **Access the full report [here](#).**

Public Health Institute

Championing Public Health Amid Legal & Legislative Threats: Framing & Language

Recommendations – As communities continue to confront efforts to shrink the authority of public health officials and agencies, it's critical that practitioners and advocates are equipped to speak about why we need public health to keep our communities safe and healthy. A new report from PHI's Berkeley Media Studies Group and Real Language offers five key framing recommendations, along with messaging examples and sample language to answering difficult questions. One tip: Frame public health as indispensable, using metaphors when possible. [Explore the full report →](#)

Using Art to Lift Up Community Stories & Advance Vaccine Equity

Thanks to a partnership with PHI's Communities Rise Together, CHROMATIC BLACK (CB) is galvanizing artists in Black and Brown communities that are deeply impacted by the pandemic—using the power of storytelling to share their COVID-19 experiences, break down barriers and increase access to vaccines and other resources. "This work allows us to knit communities together, fostering connectivity to help ourselves and each other," said CB Founder Abeni Bloodworth.

Home-Based Asthma Services: Model Health Benefit Packages

A new report from PHI's Regional Asthma Management and Prevention program and the National Center for Healthy Housing provides insights and guidance for how managed care organizations and other healthcare payers can improve asthma management among their enrollees by ensuring the provision of asthma home visiting services. It also addresses the key roles of community, state, and federal stakeholders in motivating and supporting healthcare payers. [Explore the report →](#)

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National Academies of Sciences Engineering and Medicine (NASEM)

NEW! PUBLICATION: [Exploring Psychedelics and Entactogens as Treatments for Psychiatric Disorders: Proceedings of a Workshop](#) - Psychiatric illnesses—such as major depressive disorder, anxiety disorder, substance use disorder, and posttraumatic stress disorder (PTSD)—are widely prevalent and represent a substantial health burden worldwide. Yet, conventional medications for mental illnesses often fail to provide relief to patients of disruptive and disabling symptoms. Existing and emerging evidence that psychedelics (e.g., LSD and psilocybin) and entactogens (e.g., MDMA) may be useful as tools to alleviate mental illness has sparked a renaissance of interest by investigators, clinicians, drug developers, and patient advocates in recent years. While promising data on therapeutic efficacy has energized research and development, resolving the mechanisms of action will be important for optimizing the efficacy and safety of these medicines. Further, evaluating the effect of psychedelics and entactogens on mood and behavior comes with unique challenges still in need of resolution. These include unresolved questions relating to blinding, placebo and nocebo effects, and the impact of psychosocial contexts.

In response to this renewed interest, the National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine's [Forum on Neuroscience and Nervous System Disorders](#) convened a workshop on March 29–30, 2022. The workshop brought together a diverse group of stakeholders to explore the use of psychedelics and entactogens as treatments for psychiatric disorders. This Proceedings of a Workshop summarizes the presentations and discussions of the workshop.

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Community Commons

- **NEW!** [Priority Populations](#)
- **NEW!** [Brain Health](#)
- **Updated!** [Campus Well-Being Resource Library](#)
- **NEW!** [The Sum of Us: What Racism Costs Everyone and How We Can Prosper Together](#)
- **NEW!** [Mapping Race and Housing Segregation in America | Technical Guide](#)
- **NEW!** [Intro to Traumatic Stress: Trauma, Stress, and Trauma-Informed Practice for Community Health and Well-Being](#)
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- **NEW!** [Ten Essential Practices for Transforming Regional Health and Well-being Through Regional Stewardship](#)
- **NEW!** [Indigenized Energy Initiative](#)
- **NEW!** [Hispanic and Latinx People](#)
- **NEW!** [Public Transportation in the U.S.: A Driver of Health and Equity](#)
- **NEW!** [How to Best Use Benchmarks when Exploring Population Health Data \(i-p3.org\)](#)
- **ICYMI:**
 - [Accessibility and Disability Equity Library](#)
 - [Kidney Diseases](#)
 - [North Sound ACH Resource Library](#)
 - [Pathways to Population Health Equity Action Plan](#)
 - [Reclaiming Indigenous Health in the US: Moving beyond the Social Determinants of Health](#)
 - [Lives Saved Calculator](#)
 - [Resources for Rural Community Health Needs Assessments and Community Health Improvement Plans](#)
 - [Indigenous Knowledge Library](#)

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County Health Rankings and Roadmaps

Measuring the Burden of Child Care Costs and its Impact on Health - The high cost of childcare has forced many American families to make challenging choices between paying for their children's care or other necessities such as food, safe housing and health care. On average, families with two children pay a quarter of their income toward childcare, driving some out of the workforce altogether.

- View the 90-second video brief [on YouTube here](#).
- View the full 15-minute video on child care cost burden [HERE](#).
- [Read their blog](#) to learn more about this measure and how it impacts health.

The 2022 County Health Rankings

The [National Findings Report](#) explores topics key to advancing a just recovery for economic security and health, including a living wage, equitable pay, childcare affordability and availability, and equitable school funding.

- [EXPLORE YOUR DATA](#)

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PUBLIC HEALTH PODCASTS:

- **Community Commons – All IN: Data for Community Health Podcast Series**
 - [S1 E9: How Can Neighborhood-Level Data Improve Health and Equity? - Community Commons](#)
 - [S1 E4: Capturing the Community Voices Behind the Data - Community Commons](#)
- **NEW!** PreventConnect [Connecting Critical Race Theory and Anti-Oppression](#)
- **NEW!** Public Health Institute (PHI) Podcast: [Innovating to Meet Reproductive Health Needs with MPTs](#) PHI's Dr. Bethany Young Holt discusses Multipurpose Prevention Technologies (MPTs) products that provide not just contraception, but protection against HIV and other STIs.
- [AJPH Podcast: "Harassment Of Public Health Officials: Looking At The Full Picture"](#) (video)
- **Region V PHTC:**
 - [Ideas for Practice Podcasts: Public Health Series and Independent Podcasts](#)
 - **NEW!** [Water Rights, Health and Justice Part 1 and Part 2](#)
- **CCSI – Tuesday Talks Series: Building Resilient Communities** – Monthly Podcasts:
 - Sept. 20: Building Resilient Organizations Through Adaptive Leadership
- **PHI's People.Power.Perspectives CA4Health Podcast:**
 - [Building a Culture of Solidarity in Public Health](#)
 - [Reproductive Health, Rights & Justice](#)
- **NEW Episodes! THIS WEEK ON PUBLIC HEALTH REVIEW MORNING EDITION**
 - [273: Classroom Mental Health](#) Sept. 29 – Dr. Sharon Hoover, Co-Director of the National Center for School Mental Health
 - [272: Oregon's Regional Health Equity Coalitions](#) Sept. 28 – Jeffrey Ekoma, ASTHO's Senior Director of Government Affairs
 - [271: Minnesota Eyes Maternal Disparities](#) Sept. 27 - Dr. Brooke Cunningham, Assistant Commissioner for Health Equity Bureau, Minnesota Department of Health
 - [270: Tracking Polio in New York](#) Sept. 26 - Dr. Jim McDonald, Medical Director for the New York State Department of Health
 - [269: Urging COVID-19 Booster Uptake](#) Sept. 23 - Dr. Steven Stack, ASTHO President-Elect
 - [268: ACEs Legislative Scan](#) Sept. 22 - Dr. Jonathan Purtle, Associate Professor at New York University's School of Global Public Health
 - [267: Managing Septic Grants](#) Sept. 21 - Lance Gregory, Environmental Health Division Director with the Virginia Department of Health
 - [266: ASTHO's New President-Elect](#) Sept. 20 - Dr. Steven Stack, Commissioner of the Kentucky Department for Public Health, and new ASTHO President-Elect
 - [265: Maternal Health Crisis Blueprint](#) Sept. 19 - Dr. Jamila Perritt, President and CEO of Physicians for Reproductive Health
 - [264: New PH Job Website](#) Sept. 16 - Joanne Pearsol, ASTHO, Director of Workforce Development
 - [263: Youth Worried About Climate Change](#) Sept. 15 - Rachael Banks, Public Health Director for the Oregon Health Authority Division of Public Health
- **PUBLIC HEALTH REVIEW PODCAST**
 - **NEW Episode!** [Improving Health Equity with Data](#)

New and Upcoming Live Events: Note: *Some items are marked **NEW!** generally indicating that the promotion is new to this edition of eDistance Learning Newsletter.*

NEW! Log-in2Learn: Monkeypox: Epidemiology, Clinical Features, Challenges and Opportunities

Sponsored by Region 2 PHTC
Tuesday, October 4, 2022, 12-1pm

[Register Here](#)

Enroll in LMS Course: [Reg2PHTC-L2L202210](#)

NEW! Win-Win Family Engagement: Setting School Staff and Families Up for Successful Partnerships

Sponsored by National Association for Family, School, and Community Engagement
Tuesday, October 4, 2022, 2:00 - 3:00 pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Post-Pandemic Recovery: From What, For Whom, and How?

Sponsored by The Johns Hopkins Center for Health Security
October 4th and 6th

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Utilizing Culturally Responsive and Racially Equitable Evaluation

Sponsored by Michigan Public Health Institute
October 4-6

\$495 per person

[Register Here](#)

NEW! October 2022 Preventive Medicine Grand Rounds Public Health Law and Legal Epidemiology

Sponsored by Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
Wednesday, October 5, 2022, 1:30 – 3:00 p.m.

Remote participation only through [Zoom](#)

Passcode: PMGR_1005 (if asked)

NEW! Societal Experts Action Network (SEAN): Fall 2022 Symposium

Sponsored by NASEM
Wednesday, October 5th, 10:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Weekly Monkeypox Briefing

Sponsored by Department of Health and Human Services Office of Intergovernmental and External Affairs, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA), and the Administration for Strategic Preparedness and Response (ASPR)
Date: Every Thursday, Time: 2:00 PM EST

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Human Resource Management for Public Health Leaders: Developing Your Organization's Most Valuable Resource

Sponsored by Region IV Public Health Training Center, Emory University
October 6, 2022, 8:45am-12pm

[Register Here](#)

REIA ECHO Series Utilizing Racial Equity Impact Assessments for Performance Improvement Session 2 of 6: Community Engagement and Power Sharing

Sponsored by The Institute for Public Health Innovation
October 6, 2022, 2:30 – 4:30 PM

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Injury Control Research Center Program 35-Year Anniversary Fireside Chat

Sponsored by Safe States and CDC
Thursday, October 6th, 4:00 - 5:00 p.m.

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Solutions Forum: Making Cities Work for Everyone

Sponsored by the National League of Cities
Friday, October 7th, 9:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

[Register Here](#)

NEW! OMH Statewide Virtual Town Hall Featuring Commissioner Ann Sullivan, M.D.

Sponsored by The Office of Minority Health and Health Disparities Prevention
Wednesday, November 9, 2022, 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Save the Date

Fifth Annual Advocacy in Medicine Conference - Abstracts Due: September 22

Sponsored by The New York Academy of Medicine
Monday, October 10, 2022, 10am-2pm

[Register Here](#)

2022 End Social Isolation and Loneliness Action Forum

Sponsored by the Foundation for Social Connection
October 11th - 13th - virtual

[Register Here](#)

Realizing the Potential of Genomics across the Continuum of Precision Health Care

Sponsored by National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine
October 12, 2022, 10:30 AM - 6:00 PM ET

[Register Here](#)

NEW! The Environmental Justice Index: Ranking Cumulative Health Impacts

Sponsored by APHA
Wednesday, October 12, 2022, 2:00 - 3:00 PM

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Keeping Kids Healthy This School Year

Sponsored by CDC Foundation

October 12, 2022, 3:00-4:00pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Rethinking Conflict: Conflict Management for Public Health Professionals (Interactive online workshop)

Sponsored by The Region IV Public Health Training Center

Thursday, October 13, 2022, 8:45am-12pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Strategies for Combatting Health Misinformation (Live webinar)

Sponsored by The Region IV Public Health Training Center

Thursday, October 13, 2022, 1-2pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Weekly Monkeypox Briefing

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Date: Every Thursday, Time: 2:00 PM EST

[Register Here](#)

Children's Environmental Health Day

Sponsored by Children's Environmental Health Network

Thursday, October 13, 2022

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Creating Healthier, More Resilient Kids Through Recess (Outdoor Play)

Sponsored by Michael & Susan Dell Center for Healthy Living

Thursday, October 13, 2022, 12:30 PM - 1:30 PM

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Enhanced Engagement: Supporting Older Adults with Mental Health Challenges and Dementia

Sponsored by Alzheimer's Foundation of America

Thursday, October 13, 2022, 1-2 PM

[Register Here](#)

REIA ECHO Series Utilizing Racial Equity Impact Assessments for Performance Improvement Session 3 of 6: Data – Documenting Inequities and Impacts on Equity

Sponsored by The Institute for Public Health Innovation

Thursday, October 13, 2022, 2:30 – 4:30 PM

[Register Here](#)

Accelerating the Development & Uptake of Rapid Diagnostics to Address Antibiotic Resistance
Sponsored by the National Academies' [Forum on Drug Discovery, Development, and Translation](#);
the [Forum on Medical and Public Health Preparedness for Disasters and Emergencies](#); and the [Forum on Microbial Threats](#)

October 13-14th

[Register Here](#)

SHIFT Summit

Sponsored by GP RED

October 17th - 20th

Fort Collins, CO

[Register Here](#)

NEW! The ABCs of Viral Hepatitis: Update for Public Health Professionals (Live Webinar)

Sponsored by The Region IV Public Health Training Center

Tuesday, October 18, 2022, 1-2pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! The Power of Framing: Bridging Political Divides to Strengthen Public Health

Sponsored by the Public Health Communications Collaborative

Tuesday, October 18, 2022, 1:00 p.m.

[Register Here](#)

Then & Now: The Past and Future of Medical Libraries

Sponsored by The New York Academy of Medicine

Tuesday, October 18, 2022, 5-6pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Project ECHO Immersion Training

Sponsored by The National Network of Public Health Institutes (NNPHI)

October 18-20, 2022

[Register Here](#)

Email projectecho@nnphi.org with any questions

NYAM Authors' Night with Dr. Vimla Patel and Dr. Edward Shortliffe - Intelligent Systems in Medicine & Health: The Role of AI

Sponsored by The New York Academy of Medicine

Wednesday, October 19, 2022, 5-6pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Community Preventive Services Task Force Meeting

Sponsored by The Community Preventive Services Task Force (CPSTF)

October 19th - 20th

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Practical Evaluation Skills for Public Health Practitioners (Interactive online workshop)

Sponsored by The Region IV Public Health Training Center

October 20, 2022, 8:45am-12pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Reflections on Science Communication & Human Rights amid Public Health Emergencies

Sponsored by National Academies of Science, Engineering, and Medicine's

October 20, 2022, 10:30-11:30am

[Register Here](#)

NEW! PHAB Pathways Recognition Program: A Step Toward Performance Improvement and Accreditation

Sponsored by PHAB and NACCHO

Thursday, Oct. 20, 2022, 1:00 - 2:00 PM

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Weekly Monkeypox Briefing

Sponsored by Department of Health and Human Services Office of Intergovernmental and External Affairs, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA), and the Administration for Strategic Preparedness and Response (ASPR)

Date: Every Thursday, Time: 2:00 PM EST

[Register Here](#)

REIA ECHO Series Utilizing Racial Equity Impact Assessments for Performance Improvement Session 4 of 6: What Causes these Inequities?

Sponsored by The Institute for Public Health Innovation

October 20, 2022, 2:30 – 4:30 PM

[Register Here](#)

SOPHE 2022 Advocacy Summit

Sponsored by Society for Public Health Education (SOPHE)

October 21st - 24th

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Insight and Inspiration: Conversations for Public Health Leaders

Sponsored by ASTHO

October 23, 2022

[Register Here](#)

Informing Workplace Practices and Policies to Advance Equity

Sponsored by Raising the Bar

Monday, October 24, 2022, 3:00pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Public Health at the Crossroads: The Role of Social Workers

Sponsored by The New York Academy of Medicine

Monday, October 24, 2022, 5:30-6:30pm

[Register Here](#)

Igniting Impact Together: Birthing Equitable Communities

Sponsored by The Mom and Baby Action Network and March of Dimes

Atlanta, GA (and virtually)

October 24-25, 2022

[Register Here](#)

AMR Exchange Webinar: Addressing health inequities by strengthening antibiotic stewardship

Sponsored by Centers for Disease Control & Prevention

Tuesday, October 25, 2022, 10-11:30 am

[Register Here](#)

2022 Community Benefit 101

Sponsored by Catholic Health Association (CHA)

October 25th – 27th

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Constructing a Human Rights Framework for Online Health-Related Speech

Sponsored by National Academies of Science, Engineering, and Medicine

Wednesday, October 26, 2022, 2-3pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Insight and Inspiration: Start With Why - Experience the Simon Sinek Golden Circle

Sponsored by Association Of State And Territorial Health Officials

Wednesday, Oct. 26, 2022, 3-4 p.m

[Register Here](#)

NEW! "Health Equity Benefits Everyone" - 20th Annual Meeting of the National Forum for Heart Disease and Stroke Prevention

Sponsored by The National Forum for Heart Disease & Stroke Prevention

Thursday, October 27, 2022, 10:30 AM – 3:45 PM

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Weekly Monkeypox Briefing

Sponsored by Department of Health and Human Services Office of Intergovernmental and External Affairs, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA), and the Administration for Strategic Preparedness and Response (ASPR)

Date: Every Thursday, Time: 2:00 PM EST

[Register Here](#)

REIA ECHO Series Registration Utilizing Racial Equity Impact Assessments for Performance Improvement Session 5 of 6: Developing Alternatives to Enhance Equity

Sponsored by The Institute for Public Health Innovation

October 27, 2022, 2:30 – 4:30 PM

[Register Here](#)

A Life-Course Approach for Improving Women’s Cardiovascular Health

Sponsored by The New York Academy of Medicine

Thursday, October 27, 2022, 4:00 PM - 5:15 PM ET

[Register Here](#)

2022 AICR Research Conference

Sponsored by the American Institute for Cancer Research

October 31st to November 2nd

[Register Here](#)

November 2022

Exploring Sleep Disturbance in Central Nervous System Disorders

Sponsored by National Academy of Sciences

November 2-3, 2022

[Register Here](#)

REIA ECHO Series Utilizing Racial Equity Impact Assessments for Performance Improvement Session 6 of 6: Equitable Evaluation: Measuring and Sustaining Equity

Sponsored by The Institute for Public Health Innovation

November 3, 2022, 2:30 – 4:30 PM

[Register Here](#)

APHA Annual Meeting & Expo

Sponsored by American Public Health Association

November 6-9, 2022

[Register Here](#)

My City My Health Conference

Sponsored by The Healthy Project

Friday, November 11, 2022, 10am-4pm

[Register Here](#)

Addressing Resistance in the Development of Cancer Immune Modulator Therapeutics

Sponsored by National Academy of Sciences

November 14 & 15, 2022

[Register Here](#)

NEW! 175th Anniversary Discourse And Celebration Of NYAM Fellows & Members

Sponsored by New York Academy of Medicine

Wednesday, November 16, 2022, 5:30PM-7:30PM

[Register Here](#)

NEW! The Social Determinants of Health Policy Forum

Sponsored by RISE and Aligning for Health

November 28th - 30th

[Register Here](#)

December 2022

NEW! The New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH) Commissioner's Special Recognition Awards

Sponsored by The New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH)

Thursday, December 1, 2022, 2:00 pm.

worldaidsday@health.ny.gov.

NEW! National Overdose Prevention Leadership Summit

Sponsored by Public Health Institute

Tuesday, December 6th - Wednesday, December 7th

[Register Here](#)

New OnDemand Content Available on the NYLearnsPH.com LMS

NEW! Log-in2Learn: Adaptation to Stress: Five Practices to Cultivate Resilience and Work-Life Wellbeing

Sponsored by Region 2 Public Health Training Center

Recorded September 13th, 2022

Enroll in LMS Course: [Req2PHTC-L2L202209](#)

Healing Trauma for Better Health

Sponsored by County Health Rankings & Roadmaps

Recorded Aug 16, 2022

Enroll in LMS Course: [CHRR-20220816](#)

Region 2 PHTC Log in 2 Learn: Gun Laws, Mental Illness and Stigma

Sponsored by Region 2 Public Health Training Center

Recorded Aug 1, 2022

Enroll in LMS Course: [Req2PHTC-L2L202208](#)

Person Centered Care: Why it Matters

Sponsored by Center for Consumer Engagement in Health Innovation at Community Catalyst

Recorded July 21, 2022

Enroll in LMS Course: [CC-20220721](#)

Additional Training of Interest

NEW! Weekly Monkeypox Briefing (Thursdays at 2:00 PM EST)

Sponsored by Department of Health and Human Services Office of Intergovernmental and External Affairs, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA), and the Administration for Strategic Preparedness and Response (ASPR)

Date: Every Thursday (October 6th, 13th, and 20th)

Time: 2:00 PM EST

Register for the [briefing here](#).

NEW! The Mystery and Epidemiology of Long COVID

Sponsored by The University of Alabama at Birmingham

Recorded September 29, 2022

[View Here](#)

Practical Law for Public Health Officials

Sponsored by Northwest Center for Public Health Practice

[View Here](#)

NEW! Introduction to Public Health Practice training plan

Sponsored by Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

[View Here](#)

NEW! Leaving No One Behind: How Can the Federal Government Help Meet the Unique Health Needs of Rural Communities in Pandemics.

Sponsored by Capitol Hill Steering Committee on Pandemic Preparedness & Health Security

Recorded September 29, 2022

[View Here](#)

NEW! Infectious Disease Transmission Models for Decision Makers

Sponsored by Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health Course on Infectious Disease Modeling, & Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's Center for Forecasting and Outbreak Analytics

[View Here](#)

NEW! Together at The Table: Bringing Diverse Groups Together in Partnership for Public Health

Sponsored by National Network of Public Health Institutes

Recorded September 23, 2022

[View Here](#)

NEW! Maternal Mortality and New Risks to Women's Reproductive Health, Part of "Stopping the Other Pandemic: Systemic Racism and Health"

Sponsored by NIHCM

Recorded September 20, 2022

[View Here](#)

NEW! New Healthy Aging Learning Module

Sponsored by ASTHO

[View Here](#)

NEW! Addressing Monkeypox in the Bay Area & Beyond

Sponsored by Public Health Institute

Recorded September 14, 2022

[View Here](#)

NEW! Food and Nutrition Security

Sponsored by UCTV

Recorded September 3, 2022

[View Here](#)

Child Care Cost Burden

Sponsored by County Health Rankings & Roadmaps

Recorded Sept. 2022

[View Here](#)

Around the Table: Civic Health

Sponsored by NYAM

Recorded August 30, 2022

[View Here](#)

How to be Anti-Racist in the Everyday Practice of Public Health (CE)

Sponsored by Region V Public Health Training Center

Self-paced

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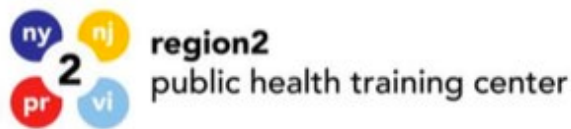
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