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Welcome to the **February 2023** New York State Department of Health's (NYSDOH) e-Distance Learning Newsletter. **In this issue**, you will find virtual and in-person upcoming events, resources & opportunities, including on demand and self-directed content available through the NYSDOH's [NYlearnsPH.com](https://www.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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ICYMI: GOVERNOR HOCHUL – Public Health Related Press Releases

[Governor Hochul Updates New Yorkers on State's Progress Combating COVID-19](#)

Feb 03, 2023 | 02:30 PM EST

Governor Hochul updated New Yorkers on the state's progress combatting COVID-19 and outlined basic steps they can take to protect against the spread of viral respiratory infections that become more common in the winter season.

[Governor Hochul Announces Details of \\$1 Billion Plan to Overhaul New York State's Continuum of Mental Health Care](#)

Feb 02, 2023 | 01:42 PM EST

Governor Hochul announced details of her comprehensive \$1 billion multi-year plan to overhaul the continuum of mental health care and drastically reduce the number of individuals with unmet mental health needs throughout the state.

ICYMI: GOVERNOR HOCHUL – Public Health Related Press Releases (Continued)

[Governor Hochul Announces Highlights of FY 2024 Executive Budget | Video, Audio, Photos & Rush Transcript](#)

Feb 01, 2023 | 02:39 PM EST

Governor Hochul outlined her Fiscal Year 2024 Executive Budget.

[Governor Hochul Announces \\$5.25 Million to Support Addiction Prevention Services in High-Need Communities](#)

Jan 31, 2023 | 02:32 PM EST

Governor Hochul announced \$5.25 million in awards to establish six substance use and prevention coalitions across New York State.

[Governor Hochul Announces Completion of More Than 1,000 Joint Counter Terrorism Exercises Across New York State in 2022](#)

Jan 26, 2023 | 08:49 AM EST

Governor Hochul announced the State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services' Office of Counter Terrorism conducted training exercises at more than 1,000 locations statewide in 2022.

[Governor Hochul Announces More Than 8,000 Public Safety Professionals From New York State and Beyond Completed Training at the State Preparedness Training Center in 2022](#)

Jan 25, 2023 | 01:11 PM EST

Governor Hochul announced that the State Preparedness Training Center in Oriskany trained more than 8,000 local, state and federal public safety professionals from a variety of disciplines and agencies, including law enforcement, the fire service, and emergency management, from across New York State and beyond in 2022.

[Video, Audio, Photos & Rush Transcript: Governor Hochul Delivers Remarks at Planned Parenthood Day of Action](#)

Jan 24, 2023 | 03:31 PM EST

Governor Hochul delivered remarks at the Planned Parenthood Day of Action.

[Governor Hochul Announces Expansion of the Capital Region Crime Analysis Center and Highlights State of the State Proposals to Increase Funding for Local Law Enforcement Agencies | B-roll, Video, Audio, Photos & Rush Transcript](#)

Jan 24, 2023 | 12:19 PM EST

Governor Hochul announced the expansion of the Capital Region Crime Analysis Center in Albany, one of 10 centers in a state-supported network providing critical crime analysis, information, and investigative support to help law enforcement agencies more effectively solve, reduce, and prevent crime.

[Video, Audio, Photos & Rush Transcript: Governor Hochul Highlights State of the State Housing and Lead Exposure Proposals](#)

Jan 23, 2023 | 05:46 PM EST

Governor Hochul highlighted her State of the State housing and lead exposure proposals during a roundtable discussion in Rochester.

[Governor Hochul Announces Availability of \\$7.5 Million for Opioid Treatment Programs](#)

Jan 20, 2023 | 01:56 PM EST

Governor Hochul announced the [availability](#) of up to \$7.5 million for state-certified providers and other treatment programs to establish low threshold buprenorphine services to address opioid addiction and save lives.

ICYMI: GOVERNOR HOCHUL – Public Health Related Press Releases (Continued)

[Governor Hochul Announces Opening of First New York Cannabis Dispensary Owned by a Justice Impacted Individual](#)

Jan 19, 2023 | 04:16 PM EST

Governor Hochul announced the first Conditional Adult-Use Retail Dispensary license in New York State owned by an entrepreneur previously criminalized by cannabis prohibition and supported by the New York Social Equity Cannabis Investment Fund, will open at 144 Bleecker Street in Manhattan on Tuesday, January 24 at 10:00 AM.

[Governor Hochul Announces More than \\$390 Million in Financing to Build More than 1,600 Affordable and Supportive Homes Across New York State](#)

Jan 19, 2023 | 02:51 PM EST

Governor Hochul announced more than \$390 million has been awarded through bonds and subsidies to create or preserve more than 1,600 affordable, sustainable, and supportive homes across the state.

[Governor Hochul Announces \\$38.2 Million Initiative to Address Street Homelessness](#)

Jan 17, 2023 | 03:01 PM EST

Governor Hochul announced the availability \$38.2 million in state funding to establish eight Safe Options Support teams that will provide intensive outreach, engagement and care coordination services to individuals who are experiencing homelessness in areas of the state outside of New York City.

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ICYMI: STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH PRESS RELEASES

February 3, 2023

- [NYS Department of Health Teams Up with Global Initiative to Recognize World Cancer Day](#)
- [NYSDOH Launches New Campaign to Encourage Black & Hispanic Men to Take Prediabetes Risk Test](#)

February 2, 2023

- [Statement From Acting Health Commissioner Dr. James McDonald On Black History Month](#)
- [NY State of Health Encourages New Yorkers to Check Out Health Insurance Options at Their Local Library Throughout February](#)

January 31, 2023

- [New York State Department of Health Issues Commissioner Determination for the Use of Telemedicine to Ensure Continued Access to Life saving Medication for New Yorkers Struggling with Mental Health and Opioid Use Disorder](#)
- [New York State Department of Health Highlights Publication of Study on the Role of Medical Cannabis for Chronic Pain in Reducing Prescription Opioid Dosages](#)

January 30, 2023

- [NYS Department of Health: Flu Cases Decline for Sixth Consecutive Week But Still Widespread](#)

January 26, 2023

- [New York State Department of Health Reminds Homeowners to Test for Radon During National Radon Action Month](#)

January 24, 2023

- [New York State Department of Health Stresses Importance of Screenings and the HPV Vaccine During Cervical Cancer Awareness Month](#)
- [NYSIF Releases Report on Long-Term Impacts of COVID-19](#)

ICYMI: STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH PRESS RELEASES (continued)

January 23, 2023

- [New York State Department of Health Reminds New Yorkers to Stay Vigilant As Flu Remains Widespread, Even Though Cases Are Trending Down](#)
- [New York State Department of Health Announces Wastewater Surveillance Expansion and Increased Disease Monitoring Capabilities](#)

January 20, 2023

- [Governor Hochul Announces Availability of \\$7.5 Million for Opioid Treatment Programs](#)

January 19, 2023

- [New York State Department of Health Highlights Urgent Need for Blood Donations During National Blood Donor Month](#)

January 17, 2023

- [New York State Department of Health Reminds New Yorkers That Flu Is Still Widespread and Urges Vaccination](#)
- [New York State Department of Health Issues Latest County Opioid Quarterly Report Showing 14% Increase in Opioid Overdoses](#)

January 16, 2023

- [Statement From Acting State Health Commissioner Dr. James McDonald On Martin Luther King Jr. Day](#)

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The University at Albany - School of Public Health has an exciting educational opportunity. They have established and are accepting applications for their [Strengthening the Public Health Workforce Scholarship Program \(SPHWSP\)](#). This is a three-year initiative that will provide students accepted into their MPH Program with a scholarship that covers full tuition and fees, a specialized certificate program (either in health disparities or maternal and child health), a seminar series, and career services support. The SPHWSP is supported from funding from the [Health Resources and Services Administration's Public Health Scholarship Program](#).

The **application due date** for the Summer or Fall 2023 semester is **April 1, 2023** for fully online students. To learn more or to apply visit: <https://www.albany.edu/sph/scholarship>. Questions about the program can be directed to Mary Riley-Jacome at mrjacome@albany.edu or to sphadmissions@albany.edu.

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[The Cornell MPH Program](#) are seeking applications from stellar candidates who will be transformational food systems and health leaders. We have funding to fully support three [Transforming Food System Fellowships](#) for the upcoming cohort (August 2023 – May 2025)!

This two-year fellowships will provide support towards tuition, fees, and stipend (\$44,000 in tuition scholarships and a \$37,000 stipend) for students from underrepresented/underserved backgrounds (see [eligibility criteria](#)). Ideal candidates are those who seek to change the status quo by creating more equitable, sustainable, and health-promoting food systems.

Applications are due to Cornell's MPH Program via [SOPHAS](#) by **March 1st** for priority consideration with the supplementary [Transforming Food Systems Fellowship Application](#) due by **March 15th**.

US Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS)

See the U.S. DHHS, Office of Minority Health, *Celebration of Black History Month*

- <https://www.minorityhealth.hhs.gov/BHM/>

ICYMI: [HHS Releases Long COVID Report Providing Insights and Opportunities to Support Patient Community | HHS.gov](#) – Full Report

RAPID ANTIGEN TESTS At-home COVID-19 tests, also called rapid antigen tests, remain a useful tool in helping to interrupt transmission of SARS-CoV-2, although they are not foolproof. See recent articles from [NPR](#) and [New York Times](#) discussing advantages and disadvantages and how to increase testing accuracy (i.e.,: serial testing). Learn more and order at-home tests >> [covidtests.gov](https://www.cdc.gov/covidtests/).

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Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)

CDC Health Alert Network (HAN) -- February 2, 2023: [00485 | Outbreak of Extensively Drug-resistant Pseudomonas aeruginosa Associated with Artificial Tears](#)

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) is issuing this Health Alert Network (HAN) Health Advisory about infections with an extensively drug-resistant strain of Verona Integron-mediated Metallo- β -lactamase (VIM) and Guiana-Extended Spectrum- β -Lactamase (GES)-producing carbapenem-resistant *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* (VIM-GES-CRPA) in 12 states. Most patients reported using artificial tears. Patients reported more than 10 different brands of artificial tears, and some patients used multiple brands. The majority of patients who used artificial tears reported using EzriCare Artificial Tears, a preservative-free, over-the-counter product packaged in multidose bottles. CDC laboratory testing identified the presence of the outbreak strain in opened EzriCare bottles with different lot numbers collected from two states. Patients and healthcare providers should immediately discontinue using EzriCare artificial tears pending additional guidance from CDC & the Food & Drug Administration (FDA).

- **December 22nd:** [0484 – Increase in Pediatric Invasive Group A Streptococcal Infections | HAN](#)
- **December 20th:** [0483 – Important Updates on COVID-19 Therapeutics for Treatment and Prevention](#)

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CDC Releases Two Respiratory Disease Dashboards — COVID-19, influenza, and respiratory syncytial virus (RSV) can cause severe disease resulting in preventable deaths, thousands to hundreds of thousands of hospitalizations, and millions of illnesses each year in the United States. This combined disease burden can impose a strain on healthcare systems during periods of intense circulation or cocirculation. We know that access to timely data is critical for understanding trends in virus circulation, estimating disease burden, and responding to outbreaks. While CDC tracks COVID-19, flu, and RSV hospitalizations through sentinel surveillance systems, until now, there has not been one place to find integrated data on all three viruses.

The first CDC Dashboard is the [Respiratory Virus Hospitalization Surveillance Network \(RESP-NET\)](#) interactive dashboard comprising data from three networks that conduct population-based surveillance for laboratory-confirmed COVID-19, influenza, and RSV-associated hospitalizations among children and adults. The networks gather data from acute care hospitals in select counties in 13 states covering more than 29 million people and include an estimated 8-10 percent of the U.S. population.

RESP-NET interactive dashboard can be used to follow trends and see comparisons of COVID-19, influenza, and RSV-associated hospitalization rates in different demographic groups including by age, sex, and race and ethnicity, and across seasons. The dashboard is updated weekly.

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Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC, continued)

The **second** is a [dashboard](#) that provides a view of emergency department visit data for multiple respiratory diseases tracked by the National Syndromic Surveillance Program (NSSP). NSSP is a collaboration between CDC, federal partners, state and local health departments, and academic and private sector partners to collect, analyze, and share electronic data received from multiple health care settings. Data are monitored for a subset of emergency departments across the United States. By tracking symptoms of patients in emergency departments—before a diagnosis is confirmed—public health can detect unusual levels of certain respiratory illnesses, which can serve as an early warning system for troubling increases or outbreaks.

Up and Away Campaign — Cold and flu season is back again this winter and as a result, more over-the-counter medicines are in homes. The Up and Away campaign, in collaboration with CDC and the PROTECT Initiative, wants to remind families to keep medicines up and away and out of sight of young children. To prevent accidental ingestions, families should keep all medicines, vitamins, and supplements somewhere safe, after every dose. We encourage you to visit [Up and Away's newly designed website](#) to find a library of videos and graphics to post to your social media feeds from **December 1, 2022 – February 28, 2023**.

Enhanced Barrier Precautions— New CDC resources are now available to assist nursing homes with the implementation of [Enhanced Barrier Precautions](#). As a reminder, this is a new CDC infection prevention and control recommendation to protect residents from the threat of multidrug-resistant organisms (MDROs). Resources include the continuing education (CE) webinar recording and slides from November 15, 2022, a fillable or printable pre-implementation planning tool, a fillable or printable observations tool, an observations tool summary spreadsheet, and a template letter you can modify for nursing home leadership.

Please find links to these helpful resources below:

- CE Webinar: [Webpage](#) | CE Webinar: [Video](#) | CE Webinar: [Slides](#)
- [Pre-Implementation Tool - Enhanced Barrier Precautions](#)
- [Observations Tool - Enhanced Barrier Precautions Implementation](#)
- [Observations Tool Summary Spreadsheet](#)
- [Enhanced Barrier Precautions Letter to Nursing Home Leadership](#)

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[CDC Learning Connection's](#) featured courses!

Just last year, CDC supported public health partners in New York State in investigating and responding to a case of polio in an unvaccinated adult resident. Review vaccination guidance to prevent the disease in [You Call the Shots: Polio](#). Free CE.

Is your organization bringing on new staff in 2023? Learn how to create an onboarding plan that sets staff up for success with [Onboarding New Employees](#). [Sign up](#) for CDC's newsletter to stay informed about quality public health trainings from CDC and partners.

Check out CDC's [Environmental Health Nexus](#) Webinars:

Title: [EH Nexus Webinar for Radon Awareness Week – National and State-Level Radon Risk Reduction Initiatives](#)

Date: January 25, 2023

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Public Health Communications Collaborative (PHCC)

Answers to Tough Questions: COVID-19 Emergency Declarations

On Monday, the Biden administration announced that it [plans to end the COVID-19 national emergency declarations](#) on May 11, 2023. Health departments, health care providers, community organizations, and others may receive questions about [what this means](#) for their constituents. Public health leaders might also be asked for their opinion about whether President Biden's policy announcement was the right decision.

As the current news cycle evolves, use [bridging statements](#) to stay grounded in core messages. Here is an example of how you might apply the ABC's of bridging:

- **Acknowledge:** In the next three months, we'll keep people closely updated about any changes to policies and what the shift means for them, as we have throughout the pandemic.
- **Bridge:** Right now, what we do know is that the way we protect ourselves from COVID-19 hasn't changed...
- **Continue:** We have the best tools to stay healthy, and that's how we've made so much progress from where we were a year ago. You should get vaccinated, get the updated booster, use at-home tests, stay home when you're sick, and wear a high-quality mask when levels are high—these are all ways we can continue to protect ourselves and manage the pandemic.

We've updated our [Answers to Tough Questions](#) with information about the announced May 11 end of the national emergency declarations. PHCC will continue to monitor these developments and share additional messaging guidance and tools to help you communicate. In the meantime, we've shared topline messaging and basic information to answer questions including:

- What is an emergency declaration?
- What emergency declarations were issued related to COVID-19?
- What COVID-19 policies will be affected?
- Does this mean COVID-19 is over?

As always, we want to hear from you about the communications challenges you're facing and the questions you're fielding from constituents and the media. [Contact us](#) to share questions and comments—we appreciate your insights

Messaging on the Safety Signal for Pfizer's Bivalent COVID-19 Vaccine

Last Friday, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) announced that a [vaccine safety monitoring system](#) called the Vaccine Safety Datalink picked up a "safety signal" possibly linking Pfizer's COVID-19 bivalent vaccine with an increased risk of stroke in people 65 and older. Since then, federal health officials have thoroughly reviewed the data (from the Datalink system and other safety monitoring systems) and concluded it's very unlikely that there's a true clinical risk of stroke associated with Pfizer's vaccine. But with confusing media coverage and misinformation, questions about vaccine safety continue to circulate.

We've updated our [Answers to Tough Questions](#) to help you answer questions about this issue. Here are topline messages from our updated messaging guidance:

- After extensive review of the latest vaccine safety data, federal health officials have said it's very unlikely that there's a true clinical risk of stroke associated with Pfizer's COVID-19 booster. 7

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- The safety system that monitors COVID-19 vaccine safety is the most extensive in U.S. history.
- The COVID-19 vaccines and updated boosters are safe. Getting vaccinated and boosted remains our best defense against serious illness and hospitalization due to COVID-19.

For additional resources, you can use our [Talking Points on Vaccine Safety and Effectiveness](#) to help you address vaccination misinformation in your community and underscore the importance of staying up-to-date on COVID-19 vaccination.

PHCC Misinformation Alerts

As vaccine misinformation continues to spread, use our [Misinformation Alerts](#) to help combat misinformation. Developed through automated media monitoring and manual review by public health data analysts at the Public Good Projects, the [Misinformation Alerts](#) identify misinformation circulating on social media and in the news (such as false claims about football player [Damar Hamlin's recent cardiac arrest](#)). The alerts are categorized as low, medium, or high risk and offer guidance on how to respond with messaging that's focused on the facts. To help counter misinformation in your community, you can also use our "[Building Bridges](#)" resource to learn how to stay grounded in core messages and build trust with fact-based messaging.

On the PHCC Radar:

- Report: [Reframing the Conversation about Child and Adolescent Vaccinations](#) (FrameWorks Institute)
- Book Release: [Strategic Skills for Public Health Practice: Community Engagement](#) (de Beaumont F)
- Resources: ["Let's RISE" Initiative to Promote Routine Immunizations](#) (CDC)
- Article: [With public health on the line, here's how LHDs are fighting misinformation](#) (CNN)
- Article: [The Way Forward for Public Health](#) (U.S. News & World Report)
- Blog: [COVID-19 vaccines and sudden deaths: Separating fact from fiction](#) and [accompanying video](#)
- Blog: [Are we still in a COVID-19 emergency?](#) (Your Local Epidemiologist)
- Blog: [Why Declaring Racism a Public Health Emergency Matters](#) (NPHIC)
- 🧠 ICYMI: Check out our [new video](#) about where PHCC started and where we're going (and please share with your network!)
- [Toolkit: Children and COVID-19 Vaccination](#) | [Toolkit: At-Home COVID-19 Testing](#)
- [Messaging: Vaccine Safety and Effectiveness](#) | [Misinformation Alerts](#)

To get the latest updates, misinformation alerts, and resources from the PHCC and their partners, visit their [website](#) and follow them on Twitter at [@PH_Comms](#) and [LinkedIn](#).

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CDC COCA (Clinical Outreach and Communication Activity)

CDC Launches Website to Help Consumers Find Free COVID-19 Testing Sites The Increasing Community Access to Testing (ICATT) program provides no-cost testing sites to communities greatly affected by the pandemic. ICATT sites operate as a partnership between the federal government, state and local jurisdictions, and a federal testing contractor.

The ICATT program provides testing resources for people who are experiencing [symptoms](#) related to COVID-19 or [have been exposed](#) to someone with COVID-19. People without health insurance do not have to pay for COVID-19 testing at ICATT locations. The tests are billed to third-party payers, such as Medicare, Medicaid, and private health insurers, to increase program sustainability. For more information about the CDC Testing Locator website, visit [testinglocator.cdc.gov](#). For more information about the ICATT program, visit [cdc.gov/icatt](#).

Association of State and Territorial Health Officials (ASTHO)

[Rebuilding Trust in Public Health Through Effective Communications](#) Trust is a cornerstone of public health practice. Unfortunately, the fallout from the COVID-19 pandemic has chipped away at that foundation, leaving many public health jurisdictions weakened in their ability to do their daily work. Is it possible to overcome this trust deficit through effective communication? What steps should state and territorial health officials take to begin rebuilding trust with audiences who need public health departments to continue to protect their water, food, and environment? Learn more about developing a strategy to improve trust between health departments and their audiences in this new blog.

[Telehealth and Licensure Policies Improving Healthcare Access for Rural Communities](#) People living in rural communities face financial, geographic, and provider supply barriers to accessing healthcare services. Historically, providers may deliver healthcare services via telehealth to patients located in the state in which the provider is licensed. Expanding cross-state licensure for healthcare providers can mitigate some of these challenges by allowing patients to engage in virtual telehealth appointments with a broader network of providers. Recent legislation at both the state and federal levels has significantly affected the ability of healthcare providers to serve patients virtually and across state lines. Learn more in this week's *Health Policy Update*.

NEWS RELEASE | State and Territorial Health Officials Applaud FDA's Decision to Improve U.S. Blood Supply | FDA recently announced a new proposal to conduct individual risk assessments for blood donors. "The FDA's proposed policy change driven by data and science will increase the supply of blood to save lives, end the discriminatory categorical exclusion of gay and bisexual men, and protect the safety of blood supply based on what people do and not who people are," says Elizabeth Cuervo Tilson (SHO Designee-NC). "I am grateful that ASTHO and many state health officials joined in advocating for this important change." **[Learn more about the proposal here.](#)**

NEW JPHMP COLUMN | Supporting Healthy Aging and Older Adult Health: The Role of State and Territorial Health Agencies | ASTHO has a new article out in the *Journal of Public Health Management and Practice* (JPHMP) exploring how health agencies can support healthy aging and health equity, particularly for older adults, by addressing the social determinants of health. **[Check out the full article for more.](#)**

[Public Health Associations Band Together to Combat Foodborne Disease and Death](#) ASTHO has been awarded funding from FDA to advance retail food safety initiatives and reduce foodborne illness. The funding comes from the Retail Food Safety Association Collaborative Cooperative Agreement. "ASTHO is looking forward to growing our partnership with the Retail Food Safety Regulatory Association Collaborative," says ASTHO CEO Michael Fraser. "As a member of the Collaborative, ASTHO will help ensure that decisions affecting our nation's health and well-being incorporate the insights of state and territorial public health leaders." Learn more about the Collaborative and ASTHO's food safety work in this news release.

[States Stepping Up to Support Families and Reduce Adverse Childhood Experiences](#) Adverse childhood experiences (ACEs), which include families struggling to pay basic living expenses, can harm a child's social, cognitive, and emotional functioning and increase their risk of chronic health problems, mental illness, and substance use in adulthood. Research confirms that strengthening economic supports can improve parental mental health, children's health, education, and social outcomes. CDC recommends several strategies for preventing ACEs, and states have played a critical role in enacting policies to support them. Learn more about these strategies in this week's *Health Policy Update*.

Association of State and Territorial Health Officials (ASTHO)

Additional ASTHO Resources:

- [Who Is Onesimus? | ASTHO](#)
- [Building a Culture of Care: Art, Quiet, and Animal Therapy | ASTHO](#)
- [Responding to Disruptions in Access to Opioid Prescriptions: A Guide for State Health Departments and Their Partners | ASTHO](#)
- [State Offices of Rural Health Address Health Equity Through Collaboration | ASTHO](#)
- [A Grassroots Leader's Vision for the Future Community Health Workforce | ASTHO](#)
- [Cultivating Gen Z as Partners for Healthier Communities | ASTHO](#)
- [The Return on Investment of Time Spent on Your Own Leadership Development | ASTHO](#)
- [Strengthening Risk-Appropriate Care in American Indian and Alaska Native Communities | ASTHO](#)
- [Hiring Practices That Support State Integration of Community Health Workers | ASTHO](#)
- [School-Based Strategies are Crucial to Supporting Adolescent Girls' Mental Health | ASTHO](#)
- [Should COVID-19 shots become like annual flu shots? FDA advisers aren't sure. | The Washington Post](#) | Marcus Plescia, ASTHO CMO
- [Data shows legislators introduced over 1,500 bills to change authority of state and local officials in 2021 and 2022. | Medical Xpress](#) | ASTHO
- [How will life change once the COVID-19 emergency ends? | Associated Press](#) | Anne Zink (SHO-AK), ASTHO President
- [Kaiser Permanente commits \\$25M to preventing gun violence. | Vator News](#) | ASTHO
- **LAST CALL: Applications for the 2023 DELPH Program Accepted through February 28th!**

The DELPH program provides opportunities for participants to explore individual leadership identities and actions to positively influence the work and culture of organizations. [Learn more here.](#)

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American Journal of Public Health

[American Journal of Public Health - Volume 113, Issue 2 \(aphapublications.org\)](#)

Engaging Communities to Confront HIV, COVID-19, & Climate Change

The February issue of *AJPH* features a special section from *AJPH*'s Student Think Tank on peace and public health. Select articles cover pathways to peace in conflict zones, community-based climate action, health justice in response to the impacts of HIV and COVID-19, and reproductive rights. Other papers in this issue address topics such as COVID-19 vaccination uptake in homeless communities, rural-urban disparities in adverse maternal outcomes, insurance-based discrimination, and more.

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Kids' Well-being Indicators Clearinghouse (KWIC)

New Data Resource about the Digital Divide in NYS - [2022 NY KIDS COUNT interactive data resource about the Digital Divide in New York State](#) pulls together data regarding the speed of broadband, number of broadband providers and households with children that have or do not have an internet subscription by income and race. These data are important for identifying the gaps in coverage and where coverage is less than adequate for work and school endeavors. The 2022 interactive tool includes a section highlighting the Affordable Connectivity Program which offers qualifying households monthly discounts on their internet costs and a onetime discount towards a device. The Affordable Connectivity Program is a Federal Communications Commission (FCC) benefit program that helps ensure that households can afford the broadband they need for work, school, healthcare and more.

Kids' Well-being Indicators Clearinghouse (KWIC, continued)

KWIC has ADDED new KWIC reports for towns and cities!! These new reports highlight data available at the town/city geography within a county or borough. You can see the number and percent of children in a single age (year) and much more. These demographic data on KWIC are one of the first places you can isolate data for a town or city in New York State. Check it out [today!](#)

New Legislative Boundaries coming soon to KWIC

The Council on Children and Families will be updating the NYS Senate and Assembly and US Congressional boundaries in 2023. In the meantime, check out the KWIC map builder and open the Community Assets legend at, <https://www.nyskwic.org>.

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New York State Public Health Association (NYSPHA)

Last Call for Mentors & Mentees - NYSPHA is hosting a new mentorship program as an exclusive benefit to our members! Please email emily@nyspha.org to tell them if you are interested in being a mentor or mentee and a little about your background to help us match. *If you are not a member but would like to take advantage of this perk, please go to our membership page and [Join Now!](#)*

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Community Commons (CC)

- [LGBTQ+ Health Equity Library](#)
- [Women and Girls](#)
- [Nowhere to Go: Maternity Care Deserts Across the U.S.](#)
- [The Power of Narrative: Bringing People Together to Advance Equity with Jonathan Heller](#)
- [Classifying Economic Distress in Appalachian Counties](#)
- [Principles for Using Public Health Data to Drive Equity](#)
- [AirToxScreen Mapping Tool](#)
- **ICYMI:** [An Introduction to Health Equity: Legacies, Measurement, and Opportunities for Change](#)
- **ICYMI:** [Disease Tracking and Surveillance | PHERN](#)
- **ICYMI:** [How Cities Can Build Food System Resilience](#)
- **ICYMI:** [Decolonization](#)
- **ICYMI:** [How Land Banks and Community Land Trusts Can Partner for Racial Justice](#)
- **ICYMI:** [The Opportunity Atlas](#)
- **ICYMI:** [The Poverty Line Matters, But It Isn't Capturing Everyone It Should](#)
- **ICYMI:** [Community Assessment and Engagement | PHERN](#)
- **ICYMI:** [Fighting for Public Health: Feasibility Study to Strengthen Public Health Advocacy](#)
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- **ICYMI:** [Project REFOCUS](#)
- **ICYMI:** [2023 Farm Bill: Advancing Public Health - Intersection of Food, Environment, & Policy](#)
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- **ICYMI:** [Data Dashboard: Urban Indian Health Institute](#)
- **ICYMI:** [The Nation's Report Card](#)

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de Beaumont Foundation

New from APHA Press and the de Beaumont Foundation, [Strategic Skills for Public Health Practice: Community Engagement](#) explores how leaders in public health and other fields can meaningfully collaborate with community members to drive better health and well-being.

The first title to be published in the new [Strategic Skills for Public Health Practice](#) series. Readers will develop a better understanding of community-centered design and strengthen their ability to support organizational practices that improve health for all.

Edited by Emily Yu, MBA, former executive director of The BUILD Health Challenge, *Community Engagement* offers practical guidance for public health practitioners and community health advocates, including:

- How community members and leaders define engagement and opportunities for improvement
- How communities and institutions can collaborate for success
- Approaches for centering community engagement by reimagining the why, who, what, and how
- Ways to identify and implement strategic health and social impact practices that can lead to community transformation.
- Want to find out more? Editor Emily Yu explains [why you should read this book](#).

Order by February 14 for 15% off with code Engage2023. [Buy from APHA Press](#) | [Learn More](#)

- **ICYMI:** [PH WINS - Special edition of The Journal of Public Health Management & Practice](#)
- **ICYMI:** [Public Health Forward: Modernizing US Public Health System Implementation Guide](#)
- **ICYMI:** [How to Use the Public Health Workforce Calculator](#)

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Trust for America's Health

The [Congressional District Health Dashboard](#), developed by the Department of Population Health at NYU Grossman School of Medicine in partnership with the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, is now live! The Dashboard will equip users with first-of-its-kind data on health and the conditions that affect health in every congressional district across the country. This new Dashboard site builds on the experience creating and managing the [City Health Dashboard](#) and provides important data on health and equity, but now calculated to the congressional district level.

The National Academies of Science, Engineering and Medicine's Board on [Population Health and Public Health Practice](#), [Board on Environmental Studies and Toxicology](#), and [Board on Children Youth and Families](#) convened a [workshop](#) in August 2022 to explore the impact of specific environmental exposures in utero, infancy, early childhood, and adolescence. A recently published [Proceedings of a Workshop](#) summarizes discussions held during the virtual event and outlines recommendations for ways the Environmental Protection Agency can incorporate new research methods into its risk assessments.

The Community Preventive Services Task Force (CPSTF) now recommends patient navigation services to increase [breast](#), [cervical](#), and [colorectal](#) cancer screenings among historically disadvantaged racial and ethnic populations and people with lower incomes. Patient navigation services are expected to advance health equity when implemented among these populations who often have lower screening rates. The recommendations for patient navigation services complement CPSTF's recommendations for [interventions engaging community health workers](#) and [multicomponent interventions](#) to increase breast, cervical, and colorectal cancer screenings.

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Trust for America's Health (TFAH, continued)

- The Community Guide has released a new [What Works Fact Sheet](#) that features an easy-to-read table showing Community Preventive Services Task Force (CPSTF) recommendations and findings for evaluated intervention approaches related to pregnancy health.
- The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) released the resource [Expanding Access to and Use of Behavioral Health Services for People At Risk for or Experiencing Homelessness](#). This guide highlights strategies for behavioral health and housing providers to conduct outreach and engage with individuals experiencing homelessness, initiate use of behavioral health treatment as they wait to receive stable housing and retain them in their recovery efforts once housed.
- The Center for American Progress published the new issue brief [How the Office of Climate Change and Health Equity \(OCCHE\) Can Respond to the Health Threats of the Climate Crisis](#) earlier this week. The resource examines how OCCHE can provide the connective tissue needed to harness resources, leverage authorities, and coordinate expertise across HHS and the federal government in order to protect the nation's health from risks associated with climate change.
- CDC published an [article](#) in *Public Health Reports* summarizing the most recent CDC and other US organizational guidelines and recommendations from the past 30 years relevant to the care of people experiencing homelessness (PEH) with tuberculosis (TB) disease or latent TB infection (LTBI). In 2018, there were 1.45 million estimated PEH in the United States. During the past 2 decades, the incidence of TB was greater than 10 times higher and the prevalence of LTBI was 7 to 20 times higher among PEH than among people not experiencing homelessness.
- The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has several diverse fellowship, internship, training, and volunteer opportunities for students and professionals. Many of these opportunities provide invaluable experience and potentially offer clear cut paths to exciting careers with CDC, including the National Center for Immunization and Respiratory Diseases (NCIRD). Opportunities include:
 - [Prevention Effectiveness Fellowship](#)
 - [Public Health Informatics Fellowship Program](#)
 - [Applied Public Health Informatics Fellowship](#)
 - [Science Ambassador Fellowship](#)

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Public Health Institute (PHI)

Warning Labels: Alcohol & Cancer Risk - For the past three decades, warning labels on alcohol have highlighted the risks for pregnancy, operating heavy machinery and some health impacts—but they don't highlight the strong correlation to cancer. "Alcohol is responsible for 20 cancer deaths every hour of every day of the year. And all of those deaths are preventable," says Pamela Trangenstein, PhD, of PHI's Alcohol Research Group in *Scripps News*. [See the news coverage →](#)

Reducing Asthma's Burden on Low-Income, Communities of Color - Community Health Workers play an important role in helping families understand and prevent asthma at home—yet their culturally rooted services are often not covered by insurance. In 2022, PHI's Regional Asthma Management & Prevention (RAMP) program advanced two Medical policies to help reimburse CHWs and increase access to their services in California: covering home education, environmental asthma trigger assessments and remediation. [Find out more →](#)

Public Health Institute (PHI, continued)

How Community Investments Can Spark Change - In 2021, the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act was passed to address the effects of climate change, promote investment in historically underserved communities and provide all U.S. residents with access to education, safe transportation and potable drinking water. PHI's Build Healthy Places Network explores how community organizations, community development corporations and health partners can guide IJA money to amplify community health efforts. [Read the *Crosswalk* essay →](#)

Training Paramedics to Treat Opioid Use Disorder & Save Lives

People who come into the ER due to an opioid overdose are at high risk of death—but Emergency Medical Services responders can provide immediate support, even before a patient reaches a hospital. In 2022, PHI's Bridge launched an Emergency Medical Services Buprenorphine Use pilot project in Contra Costa County, implementing a first-responder model to treat patients with opioid use disorder. Due to its success, the State Emergency Medical Services Commission changed paramedics' scope of practice, allowing them to administer buprenorphine, a life-saving treatment for opioid use disorder. [Read the impact story →](#)

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PODCASTS:

- **NEW!** CDC Foundation Conversations Podcast: [Contagious Conversations: Creatively Combating Antimicrobial Resistance](#)
- American Journal of Public Health Podcast: [AJPH 12/2022: "WHAT EVERY IMMIGRANT NEEDS TO KNOW ABOUT THE PUBLIC CHARGE RULE" \(ENGLISH\) | watch on YouTube](#)
- **NEW!** Prevent Connect: [Bridging Data and Practice in the Case for Prevention](#)
- Public Health Institute Podcast: [Climate, Health & Community Solutions](#)
 - [People. Power. Perspectives. — A Podcast Series from PHI's CA4Health](#)
- Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health [Public Health on Call podcast](#)
- **NEW Episodes!** "[Conversations with CEI](#)" Podcast:
 - [START Trial Update](#)
- **NEW Episodes!** THIS WEEK ON [PUBLIC HEALTH REVIEW MORNING EDITION](#)
 - [349: Safe Drug Use Sites, Toxic Pandemic Stress](#)
 - [348: WSJ on Fentanyl Dangers, COVID Emergency Ending](#)
 - [347: Educating Capitol Hill, Buffalo Preparedness](#)
 - [346: Federal Budget Partners, Rural Telehealth Strategies](#)
 - [345: Promoting PH Lab Positions, Annual COVID Shots](#)
 - [344: Maine Loves Dr. Shah, Territories Moving Forward](#)
 - [343: Vaccination Disparities, Retail Food Mentorships](#)
 - [342: Racial Healing, Tech Helps Messaging](#)
 - [341: Investing in PH, Protecting Children](#)
 - [340: Climate + Health Equity, ARPA Benefits](#)
- **NEW Episodes!** [ASTHO's PUBLIC HEALTH REVIEW PODCAST](#)
 - [Celebrating 80 Years of ASTHO](#) | Anne Zink (SHO-AK), ASTHO President | Nirav Shah (SHO-ME) | Elke Shaw-Tullock (SHO-ID) | Michael Fraser, ASTHO CEO
 - [The Future of Food Safety Inspections](#) | Edward Simmer (SHO-SC) | Susan Best, SCDOH

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

February 2023

NEW! Disability Etiquette Competence and Inclusion Training

Sponsored by ASTHO and the World Institute on Disability (WID)

February 6, 2023, 11 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Assessment of the Impact of Social Media on the Health and Wellbeing of Adolescents and Children

Sponsored by National Academies Sciences, Engineering, Medicine (NASEM)

February 6, 7, & 10 2023, 1-5 p.m.

[Register Here](#)

NEW! CA4Health's 21-Day Racial Equity & Social Justice Challenge

Sponsored by Public Health institute

February 6, 2023 - February 27, 2023

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Making the Healthy Choice the Tasty Choice

Sponsored by Michael & Susan Dell Center for Healthy Living

February 7, 2023, 1-2pm

[Register Here](#)

Homelessness as a Housing Supply Problem

Sponsored by the Bipartisan Policy Center

February 7, 2023, 1-2pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Log-in2Learn: Mortality surveillance using an Automated Mortality Syndromic Surveillance System (MortalSS) - Lessons Learned from New York City

Sponsored by Region 2 Public Health Training Center

February 7, 2023, 12-1pm

[Register Here](#)

Cities: The Future of Health Session 3: Addressing Social Determinants of Health

Sponsored by Big Cities Health Coalition (BCHC)

Thursday, February 7, 2023, 2-3pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Live with Leadership to Commemorate National Black HIV/AIDS Awareness Day

Sponsored by the Office of Infectious Disease and HIV/AIDS Policy (OIDP)

Thursday, February 7, 2023, 2:30-3:30pm [Register Here](#)

Hepatitis C Treatment

Sponsored by NYS Clinical Education Initiative

Tuesday, February 7, 2023, 4:30-5:30 PM

CME and CNE credits are available!

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Using Whole Person Care to Coordinate Health and Social Services for Medicaid Populations during the COVID-19 Pandemic

Sponsored by Systems for Action

Wednesday, February 8, 2023, 12:00 - 1:00 pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Sexual Health ECHO: Cabotegravir Extended-Release Injectable Suspension for Pre-Exposure Prophylaxis

Sponsored by NYS Clinical Education Initiative

Wednesday, February 8, 2023, 12:00 - 1:00 pm

CME Available!

[Register Here](#)

Questions? Contact Jessica_VanScott@urmc.rochester.edu

The Changing Landscape of Antimicrobial Resistance Following the COVID-19 Pandemic

Sponsored by the Alabama Regional Center for Infection Prevention and Control, Region IV Public Health Training Center, and Deep South Center for Occupational Health and Safety

Wednesday, February 8, 2023, 1-2pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Every Family Forward Conversation Series: How Do We Advance Our Collective Responsibility to All Families?

Sponsored by Every Family Forward

Wednesday, February 8, 2023, 3-4pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Which Legal Documents Are Needed When Alzheimer's Touches Your Family? – Care Connection Webinar

Sponsored by the Alzheimer's Foundation of America

Thursday, February 9, 2023, 1-2pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Health and Nutrition Class: Heart-Healthy Dishes

Sponsored by the African American Health Program

Thursday, February 9, 2023, 1-2pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Virtual Minority Veteran Outreach Symposium

Sponsored by the U.S. Dept of Veteran Affairs Outreach, Transition, and Economic Development

Thursday, February 9, 2023, 1-2pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! The Intractability of Health Disparities: Where Do We Go from Here?

Sponsored by the National Institute on Minority Health and Health Disparities (NIMHD)

Thursday, February 9, 2023, 2-3pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Summer Meals: Recruiting & Retaining Meal Sites

Sponsored by the Food Research & Action Center

Thursday, February 9, 2023, 3-4pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Engagement in the Black Community Summit

Sponsored by the National Association for Addiction Professionals

February 9-10, 2023 [Register Here](#)

NEW! Vaccine Equity Combating COVID-19 Misinformation

Sponsored by ASTHO

Monday, February 13, 2023, 1-2PM

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Advancing Antiracism, Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion in STEMM Organizations: Beyond Broadening Participation

Sponsored by National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine

Tuesday, February 14, 2023, 11am-12:30pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Empowering Sepsis Survivors: Developing Patient & Family Education and Discharge Plans

Sponsored by Sepsis Alliance

Tuesday, February 14, 2023, 2-3pm

(1.20 RN CE Contact Hours)

[Register Here](#)

Project ECHO Immersion Training

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

February 14-16, 2023

[Register Here](#)

Questions about NNPHI's Project ECHO Immersion Training: projectecho@nnphi.org

NEW! Social Justice and HIV: This Month in HIV

Sponsored by NYS Clinical Education Initiative

Wednesday, February 15, 2023, 12:00 - 1:00 PM EST

CME Available!

[Register Here](#)

Questions? Contact Mark.Stratton@mountsinai.org

NEW! New CMS Guidance on Addressing Social Needs Through Medicaid: Implications for States, Managed Care, and Health Systems

Sponsored by The Center for Health Care Strategies (CHCS)

Wednesday, February 15, 2023, 2-3pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Highly Effective Family Engagement: 5 Habits to Start Now

Sponsored by NAFSCE

Wednesday, February 15, 2023, 3:00 - 4:00 pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Harm Reduction Strategies for People Who Use Fentanyl

Sponsored by Dialogue4Health Web Forums and Public Health Institute

Wednesday, February 15, 2023, 1-2pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Why Equity Must Come Before Diversity and Inclusion: The Necessity of Inclusive Practices for a Successful Workplace

Sponsored by Amplify Voices

Thursday, February 16, 2023, 12-1pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! What's on the Horizon: Historically Black Colleges and Universities in the Future of Cancer Care

Discussion hosted by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) Oncology Center of Excellence

February 16, 2023, 2-3pm [Register Here](#)

NEW! Age-Friendly Public Health Systems (AFPHS) Training: Creating and Leading Change

Sponsored by Trust for America's Health

Thursday, February 16, 2023, 3-4pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Virtual State of the Public Health Union address: State of Public Health Union

Sponsored by American Journal of Public Health

February 17, 2023, 3:30-5pm [Register Here](#)

NEW! Evidence-based Public Health Practice: What It Is and Why It Matters

Sponsored by Region V Public Health Training Center

Thursday, February 21, 2023, 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Free to attend. CE and certificate of completion available for \$3.

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Public Health Emergency Management Planning Toolkit with WID

Sponsored by ASTHO and the World Institute on Disability (WID)

Thursday, February 21, 2023, 2-3:30PM

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Innovations in Public Sector Workforce and Human Resources Practices

Sponsored by Trust for America's Health & the MissionSquare Research Institute

Thursday, February 21, 2023, 2:30PM

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Non-Partisan Strategies to Advance Health Policy

Sponsored by County Health Rankings & Roadmaps

February 21, 2023, 3-4pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Insight and Inspiration: Hardwired!

Sponsored by ASTHO

February 21, 2023, 3-4pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! The Secrets of the CBC... What's the Diff?

Sponsored by Sepsis Alliance & Beckman Coulter

February 22, 2023, 1-2pm

[Register Here](#)

What Works? Benefit-Cost Considerations for Injury Prevention Programs

Sponsored by Children's Safety Network

February 23, 2023, 2:00 PM-3:00 PM

[Register Here](#)

NEW! From Dementia to COVID-19: Maintaining Innovations using Data Driven Program Decision Making

Sponsored by NADRC, ACL and RTI International

February 23, 2023, 2:00 PM-3:00 PM

[Register Here](#)

Gun Violence Prevention Forum 2023

Sponsored by Northwell Health

February 28, 2023, 9am-12:30pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Hot Topics: Rethink the Drink: Addressing Excessive Alcohol Consumption in Oregon

Sponsored by Northwest Center for Public Health Practice

February 28, 2023, 3-4pm

[Register Here](#)

March 2023

Special New 4-part ECHO series on "Optimizing Patient Outcomes in HIV Treatment and Care"

Sponsored by **HIV COE**

Monthly sessions will be Wednesdays:

February 1, 2023, 12:00 - 1:00 pm (Recording Available Soon)

March 1, 2023, 12:00 - 1:00 pm

April 5, 2023, 12:00 - 1:00 pm

May 3, 2023, 12:00 - 1:00 pm

[Register Here](#)

Questions? Contact Mark.Stratton@mountsinai.org

NEW! Personal Protective Technology Product Standardization for a Resilient Public Health Supply Chain

Sponsored by National Academies Sciences, Engineering, Medicine

March 1, 2023, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. ET

March 2, 2023, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. ET

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Incorporating Integrated Diagnostics into Precision Oncology Care

Sponsored by National Academies Sciences, Engineering, Medicine

March 6, 2023, 8:00 AM-5:30 PM ET

March 7, 2023, 8:00 AM - 11:45 AM ET

[Register Here](#)

Hepatitis C Reinfection

Sponsored by NYS Clinical Education Initiative

Tuesday, March 7, 2023, 4:30-5:30 PM EST

CME and CNE credits are available!

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Beatrice Renfield Lectureship in Research Nursing: Clinical Research Nursing and Nursing Science: A Perfect Partnership

Sponsored by Heilbrunn Family Center and the University's Women & Science Initiative

Tuesday, March 7, 2023, 6-8pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Integrating Health and Social Services through a Novel Independent Practice Association

Sponsored by Systems for Action

Wednesday, March 8, 2023, 12:00 - 1:00 PM

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Sex Worker Health - Disparities and Best Practices, Sexual Health Lunch & Learn Series

Sponsored by NYS Clinical Education Initiative

Monday, March 13, 2023, 12:00 - 1:00 PM

CME Available!

[Register Here](#)

Questions? Contact Jessica.VanScott@urmc.rochester.edu

NEW! Multimodal Biomarkers for Central Nervous System Disorders: Development, Integration, and Clinical Utility - A Workshop

Sponsored by National Academies Sciences, Engineering, Medicine

Day 1: March 13, 2023, 2-5pm

Day 2: March 14, 2023, 9:30am-4pm

[Register Here](#)

Frontiers of Social Innovation: “The Role of Social Innovation in Democracy”

Sponsored by Stanford Social Innovation Review

March 14-16, 2023

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Multisector Task-Sharing to Improve Mental Health in Harlem, NY

Sponsored by Systems for Action

Wednesday, March 22, 2023, 12:00 - 1:00 PM

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Responding to Challenging Calls from Incarcerated Settings

Sponsored by ValorUS

March 23, 2023, 1:30-3pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! The 2023 Beatrice Renfield Lecture in Research Nursing: The Challenges of End-of-Life Decision Making

Sponsored by The Heilbrunn Family Center for Research Nursing at The Rockefeller University

March 28, 2023, 6:00 - 7:00 p.m.

[Register Here](#)

New & OnDemand Content - NYLearnsPH.com

NEW! Log-in2Learn: Leveraging a bilingual communications campaign to promote physical activity: Muévete a tu Manera

Sponsored by Region 2 Public Health Training Center

Recorded January 10, 2023

Enroll in LMS Course: [Reg2PHTC-2L202301](#)

AFPHS December Training – Equitable Healthy Aging and the Social Determinants of Health

Sponsored by Age-Friendly Public Health Systems

Recorded December 15, 2022

Enroll in LMS Course: [AFPHS-20221215](#)

Sepsis and Flu: Challenges in Prevention and Diagnosis

Sponsored by Sepsis Alliance

Recorded December 9, 2022

Enroll in LMS Course: [SA-20221209](#)

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

Sponsored by Public Health Communications Collaborative

Recorded October 18, 2022

Enroll in LMS Course: [PHCC-20221018](#)

Comms Crash Course: Using Social Media for Public Health Communications

Sponsored by Public Health Communications Collaborative

Recorded July 26, 2022

Enroll in LMS Course: [PHCC-20220726](#)

Communicating Through COVID-19 & Beyond: Impact & Insights from the Field of Public Health

Sponsored by Public Health Communications Collaborative

Recorded April 13, 2022

Enroll in LMS Course: [PHCC-20220413](#)

Additional Training of Interest

NEW! Innovative Local Efforts to Improve the Housing Choice Voucher Program

Sponsored by The Bipartisan Policy Center

Recorded January 26, 2023

[View Here](#)

NEW! Cultivating Community Leadership and Power Within Ecosystems, Session 1

Sponsored by Prevent Connect

Recorded January 18, 2023

[View Here](#)

NEW! Cultivating Community Leadership and Power Within Ecosystems, Session 2

Sponsored by Prevent Connect

Recorded January 26, 2023

[View Here](#)

NEW! PH WINS for the Future: Understanding the Strengths and Needs of Rural Public Health

Sponsored by Northwest Center for Public Health Practice

Recorded January 24, 2023

[View Here](#)

NEW! Strengths-Based Prevention that Works, Session 1

Sponsored by Prevent Connect

Recorded December 13, 2022

[View Here](#)

NEW! Strengths-Based Prevention that Works, Session 2

Sponsored by Prevent Connect

Recorded January 24, 2023

[View Here](#)

NEW! Mentoring Matters

Sponsored by Northwest Center for Public Health Practice at The University Of Washington

Enduring Activity

[View Here](#)

NEW! Council on Linkages Between Academia and Public Health Practice (Council on Linkages) Meeting

Sponsored by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)

Recorded January 24, 2023

[View Here.](#)

NEW! Building Supply, Quality & Equity: Early Head Start-Child Care Partnerships

Sponsored by The Bipartisan Policy Center

Recorded January 23, 2023

[View Here](#)

NEW! Using Behavioral Theory to Understand the Red/Blue Divide in COVID-19 Vaccination Intentions

Sponsored by Region IV Public Health Training Center

Recorded January 23, 2023

[View Here](#)

NEW! Addressing Human Trafficking in Healthcare Settings self-paced training

Sponsored by Region V Public Health Training Center

1.75 CHES Category I CECH

1.75 Nursing Contact Hours

CE and certificate of completion are free.

[View Here](#)

NEW! Incorporating Virtual Visits into Home-Based Asthma Services

Sponsored by PHI's Regional Asthma Management and Prevention Program

Recorded December 13, 2022

[View Here](#)

Federal Funding Streams for Mental Health Services

Sponsored by the Alliance for Health Policy

Recorded January 20, 2023

[View Here](#)

NEW! Supporting Providers of Color in the Pediatric Workforce: Practices to Diversify the Workforce and Improve Retention

Sponsored by Center for Health Care Strategies

Recorded January 19, 2023

[View Here](#)

NEW! Analysis of Count Data in Medical and Social Sciences: An Application to Smoking Among Students

Sponsored by Michael & Susan Dell Center for Healthy Living

Recorded January 17, 2023

[View Here](#)

NEW! A Deep Look into Mental Health: On Campus, In Our Community and Around the World

Sponsored by UCTV - University of California Television

Recorded December 31, 2022

[View Here](#)

NEW! Incorporating Virtual Visits into Home-Based Asthma Services

Sponsored by PHI's Regional Asthma Management and Prevention Program

Recorded December 13, 2022

[View Here](#)

The State of Obesity 2022: Better Policies for a Healthier America National Webinar

Sponsored by Trust for America's Health

Recorded November 30, 2022

[View Here](#) | [TFAH's report](#) | [50 state-by-state fact sheets](#)

Addressing Health Disparities Through Home Care Critical Three-Part Series: Session 1: Introduction to Mental Health and Accessing Services

Sponsored by HCANYS, the New York State Office of Mental Health and the Finger Lakes Geriatric Center of the University of Rochester

Recorded November 30, 2022

[View Here](#)

CDC EPIC Webinar: Flu, RSV, COVID-19 and other Respiratory Threats

Sponsored by The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)

Recorded November 29, 2022

[View Here](#)

NEW! Oral Health and its Link to Systemic, Economic, and Public Health

Sponsored by the National Coalition of Dentists for Health Equity.

- **Part 1:** [The Mouth Really is Part of the Body! An Epidemiologic Perspective on Oral Health and Overall Health](#)
- **Part 2:** [Dental Care Prevents Chronic Disease and Saves Money!](#)

Autism Tree Global Neuroscience Conference 2022

Sponsored by UCTV

Recorded November 23, 2022

[View Here](#)

The High Human Stakes of Ongoing Support for the Community Health Workforce

Sponsored by the CommuniHealth Coalition, Johns Hopkins Center for Health Security

Recorded November 17, 2022

[View Here](#)

One Health Environmental Perspective - Part 1 & 2

Sponsored by ASTHO, in collaboration with EPA's Office of Research and Development, the Environmental Council of the States, and the Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies

Recorded November 3 & 17, 2022

[View Here](#)

Closing the Gaps in Health and Social Services for Low-Income Pregnant Women

Sponsored by Robert Wood Johnson Foundation's Systems for Action

Recorded November 16, 2022

[View Here](#)

Exploring Multi-Sector Collaboration: A Playbook for New Rural Healthcare Models of Investment

Sponsored by AHA

Recorded November 9, 2022

[View Here](#)

Where do we go from here? Strategies to build the public health workforce

Sponsored by de Beaumont Foundation and American Public Health Association

Recorded November 9, 2022

[View Here](#)

Health During and After Incarceration

Sponsored by NIHCM Foundation

Recorded November 7, 2022

[View Here](#)

Exploring Sleep Disturbance in Central Nervous System Disorders

Sponsored by NASEM and the Forum on Neuroscience and Nervous System Disorders

November 2-3, 2022.

[View Here](#) | Speaker presentations are available [here](#).

NEW! Improving Health Through Nature

Sponsored by Michael & Susan Dell Center for Healthy Living

Recorded November 2, 2022

[View Here](#)

Does your patient complain of fatigue, breathlessness, leg swelling and neuropathy? Is it long-COVID, Lyme disease, chronic fatigue?

Sponsored by Clinical Directors Network, Inc. (CDN)

Recorded November 2022

[View Here](#) | 1.5 CME/CNE credits | [Please complete the evaluation for continuing education credits.](#)

An Introduction into Behavioral Health and Primary Care Integration

Sponsored by Alliance for Health Policy

Recorded October 28, 2022

[View Here](#)

NEW! Cost-Effectiveness Calculators for SUD: A Pilot of Peer Recovery Support Services and Bystander Naloxone Distribution

Sponsored by Michael & Susan Dell Center for Healthy Living

Recorded October 25, 2022

[View Here](#)

Addressing Health Inequities by Strengthening Antibiotic Stewardship

Sponsored by CDC's AMR Exchange

Recorded October 25, 2022

[View Here](#)

ONA Webinar: Celebrating LGBTQ+ History Month & Services for LGBTQ+ Immigrants

Sponsored by New York State Office for New Americans

Recorded October 25, 2022

[View Here](#)

Atrial Fibrillation: Alcohol, Caffeine, Apple Watches

Sponsored by UCTV

Recorded October 25, 2022

[View Here](#)

NEW! Webinars & Report: Post-Public Health Emergency Telehealth Policy

Webinar #1: **Crossing State Lines** – October 21, 2022

Webinar #2: **Federal Policy & Telehealth: What to be Aware of Going Forward** – October 28, 2022

Sponsored by PHI's Center for Connected Health Policy

[View Here](#)

Recommendations for Bivalent COVID-19 Booster Doses

Sponsored by Center for Disease Control & Prevention

Recorded October 19, 2022

[View Here](#) | **Free CE**

Our Health Literacy Journey: Moving Forward

Sponsored by the Westchester County Dept of Health and the Orange County Dept of Health
Recorded October 18, 2022

[View Here](#)

Undervalued and Underpaid: The gender pay gap's connection to our health – Three-part series

Sponsored by County Health Rankings & Roadmaps

Episode 1: Connecting the Gender Pay Gap to Everyone's Health – 10/12/2022 | [View Here](#)

Episode 2 in Series: Solving the Gender Pay Gap – 10/19/2022 | [View Here](#)

Episode 3 in Series: The Myth of the Gender Pay Gap Myth – 10/26/2022 | [View Here](#)

Health Workforce Shortages in the Wake of the Pandemic

Sponsored by UCTV

Recorded October 17, 2022

[View Here](#)

2022 Racial Equity Virtual Summit

Sponsored by Columbus Public Health

Recorded October 14, 2022

[View Now](#)

NEW! A Virtual Cross-Sector Symposium

Sponsored by Johns Hopkins Center for Health Security (centerforhealthsecurity.org)

Includes Oct 4 & 6 Webinars

[View Here](#) | **Companion Publication:** [Post-Pandemic Recovery: From What, For Whom, and How?](#)

Is There an Off-Ramp for That? K-12 Schools and COVID-19

Sponsored by UCTV

Recorded September 26, 2022

[View Here](#)

NEW! Data Equity Webinars: Recordings & Resources

Sponsored by PHI's Public Health Alliance of Southern California & Center for Wellness and Nutrition

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Firearm Injury as a Public Health Problem

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Sepsis and Emerging Infectious Diseases: Understanding the Connection

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Enduring Activity | 1.60 RN CE Contact Hours

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Recorded June 20, 2022

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Recorded June 2022

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New Program on Health Equity and Racial Justice!

Sponsored by Region V Public Health Training Center

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Self-paced Training

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Clinical Education Initiative (CEI)

New online accredited courses:

- [Highlights from HIV Glasgow 2022: What Was New and Exciting?](#) [course provided by Physicians' Research Network (PRN)]
- [How to Manage a Pandemic: Science, Public Health and Culture](#) [course provided by Physicians' Research Network (PRN)]

New Learning Module:

- [ECHO: Wound Care for People who Use Drugs](#)

Visit ceitraining.org today to sign-up for other training opportunities: live and online trainings, webinars, preceptorships, HIV, STD and Drug User Health ECHO sessions.



Upcoming and Recent CDC COCA (Clinician Outreach and Communication Activity) Calls:
<https://emergency.cdc.gov/coca/calls/index.asp>

Free continuing education (CME, CNE, ACPE, CEU, CECH, and AAVSB/RACE) are available for most calls.

For more information about free CE, visit <https://emergency.cdc.gov/coca/continuingeducation.asp>

NEW! [Updates to COVID-19 Testing and Treatment for the Current SARS-CoV-2 Variants](#)

Date: Tuesday, January 24, 2023

Time: 2:00–3:00 P.M. ET

Title: [Ebola: Clinical Presentation, Evaluation, and Infection Prevention](#)

Date: Tuesday, December 20, 2022

Title: [Updates on Multisystem Inflammatory Syndrome in Children \(MIS-C\): Epidemiology, Case Definition, and Prevention](#)

Date: Thursday, December 8, 2022

Title: [New 2022 CDC Clinical Practice Guideline for Prescribing Opioids for Pain](#)

Date: Thursday, November 17, 2022

Title: [2022-2023 Seasonal Influenza Testing and Treatment During the COVID-19 Pandemic](#)

Date: Tuesday, November 15, 2022

Title: [Update on Monkeypox in Children, Adolescents, and People Who are Pregnant or Breastfeeding](#)

Date: Thursday, October 27, 2022

Title: [Melioidosis in the United States: What Clinicians Need to Know Following Newly Discovered Endemicity](#)

Date: Thursday, October 13, 2022

Title: [Update on 2022 Ebola Outbreak in Uganda](#)

Date: Wednesday, October 12, 2022

Title: [What Clinicians Need to Know about Dengue in the United States](#)

Date: Thursday, September 29, 2022

Title: [Evaluating and Supporting Patients Presenting with Cardiovascular Symptoms Following COVID](#)

Date: Tuesday, September 20, 2022

National Center for Environmental Health

Check out CDC's [Environmental Health Nexus](#) Webinars:

Title: [EH Nexus Webinar for Radon Awareness Week – National and State-Level Radon Risk Reduction Initiatives](#) | **Date:** January 25, 2023

Title: [All Children Can Be Exposed to Lead: CDC's Efforts to Promote Awareness and Testing](#) | **Date:** October 27, 2022

Title: [CDC and HRSA Partner for Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention: Guidance for Clinicians](#) | **Date:** October 26, 2022

Title: [Set the Table: Improving Restaurant Food Safety Through Science and Practice](#) | **Date:** September 13, 2022

Title: [CDC Workshop on Applied Epidemiology and Environmental Health](#) | **Date:** August 2–3, 2022

Title: [Working for Environmental Justice: Data and Resources from CDC's Environmental Public Health Tracking Network](#) | **Date:** July 12, 2022

Title: [Protecting Yourself From Mold: Myths and Facts](#) | **Date:** June 22, 2022

Title: [CDC/NOAA on Hurricane Safety and Preparedness](#) | **Date:** May 24, 2022

Title: [National Integrated Heat Health Information System \(NIHHIS\) National Meeting](#) | **Date:** April 26-28, 2022

Title: [CDC/HRSA on Climate Change and Health: The Risks to Community Health and Health Care Utilization](#) | **Date:** March 17, 2022

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Questions?: Email edlearn@health.ny.gov or call 518-473-4223 and speak with Tom Reizes or Abbey Greenbaum.

The **Strategic Skills Training Series** developed by the **Region 2 PHTC** aims to help prepare public health practitioners to develop the practices and competencies associated with being a Chief Health Strategist. The modules in this series use the community health improvement planning process to introduce you to the basics of the four strategic skills areas. The first set of modules have been developed at the introductory level; subsequent parts of the series build on these foundational modules.

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2. [Reg2PHTC-Strategy Policy Development](#) - Strategy and Policy Development in the Policy Process and How Systems Thinking Fits In
3. [Reg2PHTC-Succession Planning](#) - Succession Planning and Workforce Development for Public Health Agencies
4. [Reg2PHTC-Marketing2](#) - Reducing Promotion and Consumption of Ultra-Processed Food
5. [Reg2PHTC-Community Engagement](#) - Community Engagement: The People's Approach to Improving Health and Social Outcomes
6. [Reg2PHTC-Equity](#) Promoting Equity in Public Health and the Role of Change Management
7. [Reg2PHTC-Behavior](#) Communicate More Effectively: Psychological Principles to Change Behavior and Improve Outcomes
8. [Reg2PHTC-FoodWorkers](#) Improving Well-Being of Low Wage Food Workers: What Role for State and Local Governments?
9. [Reg2PHTC-Enactment](#) Policy Enactment and Implementation in the Policy Process and How Systems Thinking Fits In
10. [Reg2PHTC-Recruit](#) How to Recruit, Hire, Monitor and Train Community Health Workers: Guide for Local Health Departments

These programs have been approved for Category Continuing Education Credit for CHES/MCHES by the Rutgers School of Public Health and Certified in Public Health (CPH) credit by the Region 2 Public Health Training Center.

Region 2 PHTC – Recent Log-in2Learn Webinars:

NEW! Log-in2Learn: Leveraging a bilingual communications campaign to promote physical activity: **Muévete a tu Manera**

Sponsored by Region 2 Public Health Training Center

Recorded January 10, 2023

Enroll in LMS Course: [Reg2PHTC-L2L202301](#)

Log-in2Learn: Adaptive Leadership: Strategies for Public Health

Sponsored by Region 2 Public Health Training Center

Recorded December 6, 2022

Enroll in LMS Course: [Reg2PHTC-L2L202212](#)

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Recorded November 1, 2022

Enroll in LMS Course: [Reg2PHTC-L2L202211](#)