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Welcome to the **May 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 and the National Hurricane Center Announce Hurricane Preparedness Week in New York State](#)

May 01, 2023 | 11:44 AM EDT

Governor Hochul and the National Hurricane Center announced Hurricane Preparedness Week will run April 30 through May 6.

[Governor Hochul and Mayor Adams Launch New \\$15 Million Effort to Build All-Electric, Affordable Homes in NYC](#)

May 01, 2023 | 10:22 AM EDT

Governor Hochul and Mayor Adams launched the [Future Housing Initiative](#), a new partnership investing \$15 million to fast-track the creation of 3,000 energy-efficient and all-electric affordable homes in NYC.

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

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

Apr 28, 2023 | 03:58 PM EDT

Governor Hochul updated New Yorkers on the state's progress combating COVID-19 and outlined basic steps they can take to protect against the spread of viral respiratory infections.

[Governor Hochul Announces Launch of NY Green Bank's \\$250 Million Community Decarbonization Fund](#) | [Spanish Translation](#)

Apr 28, 2023 | 10:33 AM EDT

Governor Kathy Hochul today announced NY Green Bank, a division of the New York State Energy Research and Development Authority and the state's clean energy and sustainable infrastructure financing entity, has launched a \$250 million Community Decarbonization Fund.

[Governor Hochul Announces Agreement on FY 2024 State Budget](#)

• [Spanish Translation](#) | [Video, Audio, & Transcript](#)

Apr 27, 2023 | 09:35 PM EDT

Governor Hochul announced agreement to address key priorities in Fiscal Year the 2024 NYS Budget.

[Governor Hochul Announces Start of Severe Weather Awareness Week in New York State](#)

• [Spanish Translation](#)

Apr 24, 2023 | 11:33 AM EDT

Governor Hochul highlights the need for New Yorkers to have a plan and stay informed for when severe weather strikes.

[Governor Hochul Announces \\$15 Million in Cooling Assistance for Vulnerable New Yorkers](#)

• [Spanish Translation](#)

Apr 24, 2023 | 11:12 AM EDT

Governor Hochul announced that \$15 million is available through the Home Energy Assistance Program to help vulnerable, low-income New Yorkers without air conditioning to stay cool during the heat of summer.

[Governor Hochul Updates New Yorkers on State Resources Deployed to Assist Local Governments Following Tornado in Sullivan County](#)

Apr 27, 2023 | 12:31 PM EDT

Governor Hochul directed additional State agency assets to Sullivan County to help communities recover after a tornado touched there.

[Governor Hochul Announces More Than \\$20 Million for Supportive Housing Projects](#)

• [Spanish Translation](#)

Apr 27, 2023 | 11:11 AM EDT

Governor Hochul announced more than \$20.1 million for housing projects in the New York City region to provide permanent supportive housing for individuals who have experienced homelessness

[Governor Hochul Announces \\$6 Million Now Available for Environmental Justice Community Impact Grants](#) | [Spanish Translation](#)

Apr 26, 2023 | 01:53 PM EDT

Governor Hochul announced \$6 million in grants for communities facing environmental justice challenges and addressing environmental concerns.

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

[Governor Hochul Announces 19 New Certified Climate Smart Communities](#)

• [Spanish Translation](#)

Apr 21, 2023 | 12:52 PM EDT

Governor Hochul announced the latest round of communities to achieve certification as part of New York State's [Climate Smart Communities program](#).

[Governor Hochul Announces Start of Construction on Flood Resiliency Project in Town of Clayton, Jefferson County](#)

Apr 21, 2023 | 12:14 PM EDT

Governor Hochul announced the start of construction of a flood resiliency project in the Town of Clayton, Jefferson County.

[Governor Hochul Announces Over 100,000 Acres of Farmland Has Been Protected Across NYS](#)

Apr 20, 2023 | 02:45 PM EDT

Governor Hochul announced New York State has reached a significant milestone in protecting valuable and at-risk farmland through its Farmland Protection Implementation Grant program.

[Governor Hochul Announces More Than \\$1.68 Million in Grants Through New York State's Securing Reproductive Health Centers Program](#)

• [Spanish Translation](#)

Apr 19, 2023 | 02:19 PM EDT

Governor Hochul announced more than \$1.68M in grants through New York State's Securing Reproductive Health Centers Program.

[Governor Hochul Unveils New Statewide Cannabis Public Education Campaign](#)

• [Spanish Translation](#)

Apr 18, 2023 | 02:41 PM EDT

Governor Hochul announced the launch of "Why Buy Legal New York", a public education campaign promoting safer, informed, legal purchases of cannabis from licensed dispensaries in New York State.

[Governor Hochul Officially Kicks Off Construction Season in New York State and Announces National Work Zone Awareness Week to Take Place from April 17 through 21](#)

• [Spanish Translation](#)

Apr 17, 2023 | 01:38 PM EDT

Governor Hochul announced that the state will officially commemorate National Work Zone Awareness Week from April 17 through April 21 as construction season kicks off.

[Governor Hochul Announces \\$425 Million in Grants for Critical Water Infrastructure Projects Statewide](#)

Apr 17, 2023 | 01:11 PM EDT

Governor Hochul announced \$425 million will be made available through the next round of the State's Water Infrastructure Improvement and Intermunicipal Grant programs, bolstered by the first spending under the Clean Water, Clean Air, and Green Jobs Environmental Bond Act of 2022.

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

[Governor Hochul Launches Statewide Listening Tour to Advance Clean Water, Clean Air and Green Jobs Environmental Bond Act](#)

[Spanish Translation](#)

Apr 17, 2023 | 12:45 PM EDT

Governor Hochul kicked off New York State’s celebration of Earth Week by announcing a statewide educational listening tour for the \$4.2 billion Clean Water, Clean Air and Green Jobs Environmental Bond Act of 2022.

ICYMI: STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH - PRESS RELEASES

April 27, 2023

- [New York State Department of Health Issues A Reminder About Pricing Regulations for Funeral Firms](#)
- [NY State of Health Partners with YMCA on National Kids Day, Urges New Yorkers to Keep Their Families Healthy with Insurance Through the Marketplace](#)

April 26, 2023

- [New York State Department of Health Recognizes National Infant Immunization Week](#)
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- [NY State of Health Partners with Pharmacies Across the State to Prepare New Yorkers for Health Insurance Changes and Educate Them on Coverage Options](#)
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April 24, 2023

- [The NYS Office of Addiction Services and Supports and the NYS Department of Health Launch Buprenorphine Assistance Program \(Bupe-AP\)](#)
- [OPDV, OGS, and DOH Partner on Exhibit for SAAM and Denim Day](#)

April 21, 2023

- [New York State Department of Health Awards \\$8.9 Million to Promote Breast/Chest Feeding in Racially and Ethnically Diverse Communities](#)

April 20, 2023

- [NY State of Health Releases 2023 Health Insurance Update, Enrollment Totals Continue to Rise with Nearly 7 Million New Yorkers Covered Through the Marketplace](#)

April 18, 2023

- [New York State Department of Health Recognizes Minority Cancer Awareness Week](#)
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April 14, 2023

- [New York State Departments of Health and Motor Vehicles Urge New Yorkers to Register as Organ Donors During National Donate Life Month in April](#)
 - [Español](#) [中文](#) [Русский](#) [יידיש](#) [বাঙালি](#) [한국어](#) [Kreyòl](#)
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- [New York State Department of Health Recognizes Black Maternal Health Week](#)
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April 12, 2023

- [New York State Department of Health Promotes Positive Sexual Health and Raises Awareness for Sexually Transmitted Infections during STI Awareness Week](#)
 - [Español](#) [中文](#) [Русский](#) [יידיש](#) [বাঙালি](#) [한국어](#) [Kreyòl](#)
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SPRING 2023 SANITARY SURVEY COURSES TRAINING ANNOUNCEMENT

Eight sanitary survey (SS) courses have been scheduled for this spring, MARO ground water (GW) and surface water (SW) courses were completed on March 7-10, Capital Region GW and SW courses were completed March 28-31, and Central Region GW and SW courses were completed on April 25-28 leaving Western Region GW and SW, as outlined below. Due to the overwhelming demand and the contract classroom restrictions of 25 people, these courses are open to those that are new to taking the course and within the region that the course is given.

Region	Course	Location	Dates	Times
Western Region	GW	Wyoming County Ag & Business Center, 36 Center Street (Suite B), Warsaw, NY 14569	May 9 th & 10 th , 2023	8:30 AM – 4:30 PM
Western Region	SW	Wyoming County Ag & Business Center, 36 Center Street (Suite B), Warsaw, NY 14569	May 11 th & 12 th , 2023	8:30 AM – 4:30 PM

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NYSDOH – Opioid Surveillance Data Dashboard

We are excited to share that the Opioid Surveillance Data Dashboard application was updated on the NYSDOH website: <https://www.health.ny.gov/opioiddashboard>. This dashboard makes opioid-related data easily accessible to health officials and the public, and displays data for opioid indicators interactively at state, county, and sub-county levels. The dashboard is designed to be a key resource for enhancing the utilization of opioid surveillance data, and assisting in the response to the opioid crisis.

We hope the dashboard is a useful tool for you among other resources available at: <https://www.health.ny.gov/statistics/opioid/>, including quarterly opioid data reports, annual opioid reports, and other important datasets that support efforts to prevent opioid overdose death. We would like to thank our partners who have contributed data and support in the development and update of the dashboard and various reports. Please direct questions and feedback to opioidprevention@health.ny.gov.

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New York State Department of Health Resources (Continued)

[The Prevention Agenda \(PA\) Dashboard](#) has been updated with the most recent data and it is now available on the NYSDOH website. The PA dashboard is an interactive visual presentation of the most current tracking indicator data to track progress of the New York State's Health Improvement Plan at state, county and sub-county levels. It serves as a key source for monitoring progress that communities around the state have made regarding meeting the Prevention Agenda objectives. The most current data for New York State and the Prevention Agenda objectives are presented for approximately 100 tracking indicators, and are compared to data from previous time periods to assess the progress for each indicator.

Based on the most recent data available statewide:

- 29 (29.3%) of the 2024 objectives are met.
- 70 (70.7%) of the objectives are not being met
 - However, 18 (18.2%) of these objectives are improving
 - 32 (32.3%) are staying the same
 - 19 (19.2%) are going in the wrong direction

The following dashboards have also been updated with the most recent data available:

- [The Community Health Indicator Reports \(CHIRS\) Dashboard](#): presents data for over 350 indicators at state and county levels, is designed to be a key resource for Community Health Needs Assessment, County Health Improvement Plan, and Community Service Plan.
- [New York State Opioid Data Dashboard](#): presents opioid-related data and is a key resource for monitoring fatal and nonfatal opioid overdoses, opioid prescribing, opioid use disorder treatment, and the overall opioid overdose burden.
- [New York State Asthma Dashboard](#): presents asthma-related data for asthma prevalence, emergency department visits, hospital discharges, mortality, asthma health care utilizations and costs.
- [New York State Maternal and Child Health \(MCH\) Dashboard](#): presents state and county data for tracking measures related to the New York State's Maternal and Child Health Block Grant application and selected National Outcome and Performance measures.
- [The New York State Leading Causes of Death Data application](#): an interactive visual presentation for up to seven leading causes of all deaths or premature death.

Additionally, the following data pages have been updated:

- [County/ZIP Code Perinatal Data Profile](#): displays vital statistics data from a three-year period and includes ZIP Code based tables of commonly requested perinatal data, including teen pregnancy, birth-related outcomes, and infant deaths. Each county in the state has their own Perinatal Profile.
- [County Health Indicators by Race/Ethnicity \(CHIRE\)](#): displays incidence, hospitalization, and mortality data for several indicators by race/ethnicity. The health topics include socio-demographics, general health, birth, injury, respiratory disease, heart disease and stroke, diabetes and cancer.

NYSDOH has worked diligently over the past year to update and improve these applications, which make data easily accessible to health officials and the public. We hope these dashboard applications will be useful tools for you, and we would like to thank our partners who have contributed data and support in the development and update of these applications.

Please direct questions and requests for additional information to phiginfo@health.ny.gov

NYSDOH - Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS) Reports

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.

- The New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH) is pleased to announce the release of a new report based on data from the Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS). The report [Obesity Disparities in New York State](#) analyzes six years of BRFSS data (2016-2021) to present a series of maps displaying the prevalence of obesity among New York state adults for 11 geographic regions by race/ethnicity, income, and education. The purpose of the report is to increase awareness and understanding of obesity disparities in New York state. Maps in the report demonstrate a clear relationship between obesity and race/ethnicity, household income, and education. The [NYS Prevention Agenda 2019-2024](#) guides state and local efforts to improve the health of all New Yorkers and promote equity in all populations who experience disparities.
- Key findings from the report include:
 - Among all New Yorkers, 4 of 11 regions have an obesity prevalence of 33.29 percent or higher (33.29 percent represents the cut point for the top two percentiles of regional obesity rates)
 - Among people who are Black, Non-Hispanic, 10 of 11 regions have an obesity prevalence of 33.29 percent or higher
 - Among people who are Hispanic or White, 3 of 11 regions have an obesity prevalence of 33.29 percent or higher
 - Among people in other racial/ethnic groups, 1 of 11 regions has an obesity prevalence of 33.29 percent or higher
 - Among people with a high school degree or less, 7 of 11 regions have an obesity prevalence of 33.29 percent or higher
 - Among people with more than a high school degree, 4 of 11 regions have an obesity prevalence of 33.29 percent or higher
 - Among people with a college degree, no regions have an obesity prevalence of 33.29 percent or higher
 - Among people with a lower household income, 7 of 11 regions have an obesity prevalence of 33.29 percent or higher
 - Among people with a higher household income, 1 of 11 regions has an obesity prevalence of 33.29 percent or higher

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- The New York State (NYS) Department of Health is pleased to announce the release of a new infographic based on 2020 data from the Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS). This infographic is the second in a series of infographics on [Improving the Health of New York State Adults Living with Disability](#). This infographic describes disparities in selected health behaviors experienced by adults living with disability.

NYSDOH - Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS) Reports (Continued)

According to the report, health behaviors are actions individuals take that can affect health. Health behaviors can include things like smoking, substance use, physical activity, and diet. There are disparities in health behaviors between adults living with disability and adults not living with disability. According to CDC, people with disability experience a number of challenges that make it difficult to practice healthy living. These challenges can include: a lack of healthy food choices, difficulty chewing or swallowing food, physical limitations that can reduce ability to exercise, pain, lack of energy, lack of accessible environments, and/or a lack of resources. Understanding the challenges people living with disability encounter is the first step in identifying interventions to support healthy lifestyles.

The report provides strategies to address the barriers to healthy behaviors for adults living with disabilities. The strategies include, training health care professionals to counsel and refer people living with disability to inclusive self-management and lifestyle change programs, assess barriers to healthy behaviors for people living with disability and identify opportunities to address them, ensure education and media campaigns to promote health behaviors are inclusive of people living with disability and to make changes to the built environments to make physical activity and healthy foods more accessible to people living with disability.

- These reports have been approved for public release. Please feel free to share this information with your partners or colleagues. Additional IFAs and other reports on chronic disease prevention are available on the NYSDOH website:
 - https://health.ny.gov/statistics/prevention/injury_prevention/information_for_action
 - <https://www.health.ny.gov/statistics/brfss/reports>

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NYSDOH - Office of Minority Health and Health Disparities Prevention (OMHHDP)

- **National Hispanic and Latino Mental Health Technology Transfer Center** -- Get tips on how to improve the emotional wellbeing of Latino students throughout the pandemic with the National Hispanic and Latino Mental Health Technology Transfer Center fact sheets for school personnel and caregivers, available in [English](#) and [Spanish](#)

As National Minority Health Month comes to an end, I encourage everyone—individuals, community-based organizations, federal, state, and local governments, as well as other public and private entities—to continue promoting this year's theme of [Better Health Through Better Understanding](#). Let's continue to focus on improving health outcomes for racial and ethnic minorities by providing culturally and linguistically appropriate healthcare services, information, and resources.

You can play an active role in ensuring healthier, stronger racial and ethnic minority communities by:

- Visiting the [OMH Knowledge Center online catalog](#) for publications and resources on health literacy.
- Learning about [Culturally and Linguistically Appropriate Services \(CLAS\)](#), and the National CLAS Standards, to help implement services that are respectful of the health beliefs and needs of diverse patients.
- Exploring the [free e-learning programs](#) made available through OMH's Think Cultural Health initiative.
- Attending one of the events addressing health care disparities occurring on May 2nd, 3rd, 12th & 15th, and June 9th -- See Upcoming Events section beginning on page 21.

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)

CDC Health Alert Network (HAN) – [2023 HAN Messages | Health Alert Network \(HAN\)](#)

- **ICYMI: April 6th:** [HAN – 00499 | Marburg Virus Disease Outbreaks in Equatorial Guinea and Tanzania \(cdc.gov\)](#)
- **ICYMI: March 3rd:** [HAN - 00488 | Measles Exposure at a Large Gathering in Kentucky, February 2023 and Global Measles Outbreaks \(cdc.gov\)](#)
- **ICYMI: March 2nd:** [HAN - 00487 | Increased Chikungunya Virus Activity in Paraguay and Associated Risk to Travelers \(cdc.gov\)](#)

CDC Resources

ICYMI: New Environmental Health Resource for the 10 Essential Public Health Services

Learn how environmental programs help deliver the 10 Essential Public Health Services to their communities. CDC's [new website](#) provides examples of activities that could contribute to health department accreditation or reaccreditation by the Public Health Accreditation Board.

- Help deliver the 10 Essential Public Health Services in their communities.
- Link to and support broader public health initiatives such as public health accreditation.

The 10 Essential Public Health Services provide a framework for public health and promote the health of all people in all communities. To achieve equity, these services were revised in 2020 to actively promote policies, systems, and overall community conditions that enable optimal health for all and seek to remove systemic and structural barriers that have resulted in health inequities.

Read this [article](#) to learn about key changes in the newly revised 10 Essential Public Health Services and how they relate to environmental public health.

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American Public Health Association (APHA)

[Public Health Newswire](#) from *The Nation's Health*. Read our recent stories:

Check out highlights from the April issue of *The Nation's Health* and read the full issue [online](#). Visit [The Nation's Health online](#) to read more news and share articles on social media. Contact us [here](#).

ICYMI: [Court ruling on prevention coverage 'disastrous for public health'](#)

A Thursday federal district court decision overturning ACA coverage for preventive services threatens public health. Check out our roundup of reactions.

ICYMI: [We Can Do This - Campaign](#)

COVID is still a risk. We can keep more people out of the hospital and from dying by educating patients about [treatment options](#) for people at increased risk for severe COVID illness. APHA has new [communications materials](#) to help you. Developed in partnership with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Service's COVID-19 Public Education Campaign, *We Can Do This*, the materials include handouts, posters, talking points and social media shareables, in both English and Spanish. The information comes from the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and has been culturally tailored by the [We Can Do This](#) campaign's team of multicultural experts.

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Johns Hopkins COVID-19 Resources

COVID-19 pandemic still volatile, WHO says; disease remains a leading cause of death in US

The WHO this week said the [COVID-19 pandemic remains volatile](#), warning that the virus could bring further trouble before settling into a predictable pattern. The agency noted that in the past 28 days, 23,000 people have died of COVID-19 and 3 million new cases have been [reported](#), even with much lower levels of testing. In the US, [COVID-19 remains a leading cause of death](#), with an average of about [245 deaths per day](#) over the past 4 weeks, primarily among older adults or those who are immunocompromised. The WHO Emergency Committee on COVID-19 is set to meet in the beginning of May to once again reconsider whether the pandemic constitutes a public health emergency of international concern (PHEIC), which it has reaffirmed at its previous meetings since first making the declaration in January 2020.

Additionally, SARS-CoV-2 continues to mutate, with the Omicron subvariant XBB.1.16—first detected in India earlier this year—now accounting for [more than 7% of US cases](#). [Another Omicron subvariant, XBC.1.6](#), a combination of the Delta and Omicron variants of concern first detected in Southern Australia where it caused a wave of cases and hospitalizations, could provide competition to XBB.1.16. Even if many feel the pandemic is over, the virus remains a threat, particularly to vulnerable populations.

US health agencies authorize additional bivalent vaccine booster for certain populations, simplify recommendations; Biden administration launching effort to maintain equitable access to COVID-19 vaccinations

Following [US FDA regulatory action](#) earlier this week, the [US CDC on April 19 took steps](#) to [simplify COVID-19 vaccine recommendations](#) and allow more flexibility for individuals at higher risk of severe disease who would like an additional vaccine dose. Adults aged 65 years and older and people who are immunocompromised may now receive a [second dose of updated bivalent mRNA booster](#) targeting both the original viral strain and Omicron BA.4 and BA.5 subvariants at least 4 months or 2 months after their last dose, respectively. Additionally, [people who are immunocompromised will now be able to receive more doses](#) if their healthcare provider feels the shots are necessary. About [250 people die each day of COVID-19-related causes](#) in the US, the majority of whom are age 70 or older or have weakened immune systems.

Most US residents who have had one dose of the bivalent vaccine are not currently eligible for an additional jab, although authorization for another shot is expected for the autumn. However, the CDC recommends everyone aged 6 and older receive a bivalent vaccine, regardless of whether they have previously completed their primary series with the original monovalent vaccine. In fact, the [monovalent mRNA vaccines are no longer authorized](#) for use in the US. People who are unvaccinated will now require only a single dose of bivalent mRNA vaccine to be considered vaccinated. The guidelines for children remain complicated, with recommendations varying by age, vaccine, and which shots they previously received. The CDC is [expected to post a detailed chart](#) with recommendations for children under age 6.

In related news, the Biden administration plans to spend more than US\$1 billion on a [new public-private partnership](#) to maintain broad access to COVID-19 vaccines, treatments, and tests for millions of uninsured Americans when the medical countermeasures move to the commercial market later this

Johns Hopkins COVID-19 Resources (continued)

year. The US Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) [Bridge Access Program For COVID-19 Vaccines and Treatments Program](#) would allow officials to purchase COVID-19 vaccines for uninsured individuals after the current federal supply is exhausted and when vaccine manufacturers [plan to charge as much as \\$130 per dose](#). People with private insurance or who are covered under Medicare or Medicaid will also not be expected to pay out-of-pocket expenses for vaccines once the public health emergency ends in May.

Additionally, HHS officials told state governors last week that it will maintain its authority [allowing pharmacists, pharmacy technicians, and pharmacy interns to administer COVID-19 and flu vaccines](#) after the COVID-19 public health emergency declaration ends. The extension, set to last through December 2024, is [based on the Public Readiness and Emergency Preparedness \(PREP\) Act](#), which offers extra protections to companies and providers making, distributing, and administering medicines and vaccines in times of emergency. The White House "Test to Treat" initiative, which allows pharmacists to test people for COVID-19 and prescribe the antiviral Paxlovid, will also continue.

US Congress continues investigations into COVID-19 pandemic origin with Republican-led Senate report, House hearing

Republicans in both houses of the US Congress continued their efforts to investigate the origin of SARS-CoV-2. The investigations, shaped by tensions between [scientific knowledge](#) and [political discourse](#), have broad [political implications](#) and some say are [detracting from the need to take steps to prevent](#) another disease emergency. On April 18, the US House Select Subcommittee on the Coronavirus Pandemic held a [second hearing](#) on the origins of COVID-19, with testimony from former intelligence officials discussing the [intelligence community's understanding](#) of COVID-19 origins and the Chinese government's lack of transparency in providing data and evidence. The hearing raised the ire of the Chinese Embassy, after Li Xiang, the embassy's liaison to Congress, [emailed a staff member](#) of the subcommittee's chair, Rep. Brad Wenstrup, on April 14 asking "the US side to respect science and facts," "refrain from targeting China," "put a stop to the intelligence-led, politics-driven origins-tracing," and "help promote international solidarity against the pandemic."

Earlier this week, US Senate Republicans who hold minority leadership on the health subcommittee [released a 300-page report](#) that concludes the pandemic [most likely](#) began from [at least one unintentional lab-related incident](#)—possibly resulting from failures of biosafety containment during vaccine-related research—rather than naturally, via an animal infecting a human; however, the document concedes both theories are plausible but lack key supporting evidence. The report is the [result of former Sen. Richard Burr's investigation](#) into the pandemic's origin, began when he served as the minority leader of the Health, Education, Labor and Pensions Committee, although staffers noted Sen. Burr [did not review the full report](#) nor did it go through the vetting process that was afforded an [executive summary](#) publicly released last year.

Speaking at a London summit on pandemic preparedness last week, former China CDC Director Dr. George Gao said there is [no evidence yet to show an animal host](#) or reservoir for SARS-CoV-2. The WHO has [repeatedly called on China](#) to immediately share all available data on the virus, with [Chinese officials and scientists rejecting the agency's accusations](#) that they are hiding information. The WHO says all origin hypotheses remain plausible, while many international scientists say [evidence points to a natural origin](#) for the pandemic.

Johns Hopkins COVID-19 Resources (Continued)

Experts debate universal masking recommendations for healthcare settings; about half of healthcare workers go to work sick with COVID-19, study shows

Most COVID-19-related mask mandates have ended—including those for the [subway system in Beijing, China](#)—but [debate over whether to mask in healthcare settings is ongoing](#). While most [US states have phased out](#) mask mandates for healthcare settings, many healthcare facilities maintain mask requirements for all staff and patients, but they are increasingly dropping those rules. In a recent commentary published in the [Annals of Internal Medicine](#), a group of infectious disease experts and epidemiologists notes that while “universal masking” was critically important during the pandemic—particularly when there was no population immunity, limited testing capacity, and no medical countermeasures (eg, vaccines, therapeutics)—they [argue against masking becoming a required component](#) of Standard Precautions, as COVID-19 transitions from a pandemic to an “endemic phase.” The authors conclude that mandatory masking remains an important infection prevention and control (IPC) strategy that could be employed in the future as “part of a dynamic approach to infection prevention policy that adapts to changing circumstances.”

However, [some healthcare workers](#) and other [infectious disease epidemiologists](#) have voiced [opposition](#) to dropping universal masking, noting that other disease transmission precautions are not scrapped simply because a disease is endemic. In a commentary published in February in the journal [Infection Control & Hospital Epidemiology](#), a separate group of infectious disease experts propose an update to Standard Precautions in healthcare settings, including permanently implementing universal masking in routine patient-care interactions. They say masking prioritizes safety for patients, healthcare providers, and visitors. Other experts fall somewhere in the middle, saying masks remain important in all patient-facing interactions or recommending them to patients who have underlying conditions that put them at higher risk of severe COVID-19.

Notably, a study published last week in the journal [Infection Control & Hospital Epidemiology](#) showed that about half of healthcare workers (HCWs) with COVID-19 worked for at least some time during a day when diagnosed but returned to work for additional days with symptoms. The study found that [presenteeism rates did not vary for HCWs working directly with patients](#), suggesting that the potential for disease transmission to patients did not influence HCWs’ choices about whether to go to work. The researchers note that new strategies are needed to help HCWs with COVID-19 reconcile their duties to do no harm and to provide or support care. Additionally, a [study presented this week](#) at the European Congress of Clinical Microbiology and Infectious Diseases (ECCMID) in Copenhagen, Denmark, suggests requirements to wear surgical masks in a large London hospital during the first 10 months of Omicron activity (December 2021 to September 2022) made [no discernible difference](#) to reducing hospital-acquired SARS-CoV-2 infections. Another study published today in [Scientific Reports](#) uses a COVID-19 model showing that a combination of mask wearing and vaccination may be more effective and reasonable in preventing and controlling SARS-CoV-2 infection and suggests infection control departments strongly recommend the use of both strategies to protect unvaccinated individuals from becoming infected.

People with long COVID, advocates frustrated with lack of attention to, actionable research on condition

Americans suffering from post-COVID condition, commonly known as long COVID, are beginning to get [frustrated](#)—and for good reason. There is still [no clear medical definition, diagnostic framework, or](#)

Johns Hopkins COVID-19 Resources (Continued)

[no clear medical definition, diagnostic framework, or treatment for the condition](#). The [US NIH has received more than US\\$1 billion](#) to study the condition but it has yet to recruit patients to test potential therapeutics and has released minimal findings from observational studies conducted over the last 2 years, all with allegedly insufficient accountability or oversight. Patients are frustrated that the observational studies conducted so far seem redundant to already completed research and that there are no ongoing efforts to support private sector companies or researchers trying to study long COVID through the NIH. Additionally, one treatment option under consideration—exercise—has the real potential to worsen patients' condition, [causing advocates to raise alarm](#). Still, other researchers are currently exploring [more promising candidates](#) for the treatment or prevention of long COVID, such as metformin, Paxlovid, and low-dose naltrexone. In the meantime, patients continue to [feel dismissed by peers, healthcare providers, and institutions](#), as their [lives are disrupted by the condition](#), sometimes leading to unemployment and homelessness.

Wastewater surveillance gains traction as advantageous disease monitoring system in US, South Korea, globally

The COVID-19 pandemic has provided ample case studies on the value of conducting wastewater surveillance for infectious diseases. The process has certain advantages over hospital-based surveillance in that it can detect viral markers from people with mild cases who did not seek out healthcare or who may have been asymptomatic. Wastewater surveillance has also been [instrumental in detecting new viral variants](#), even as fewer and fewer daily PCR tests are being performed that could provide sequencing material. The [US National Wastewater Surveillance System](#) currently has more than 1,000 sites across the country that feed into their data analysis to track SARS-CoV-2 incidence and new variant profiles.

In South Korea, the [Korea Disease Control and Prevention Agency \(KDCA\)](#) is looking to pursue this strategy by implementing a wastewater surveillance system in most major cities and towns. In their current system, hospitals must report all positive tests, which the KDCA director described as an expensive and laborious process. The switch to wastewater surveillance is anticipated to be more cost effective and will provide a broader perspective of the country's COVID-19 situation. There are also proposals to create a global wastewater surveillance system [using airport wastewater](#). While this endeavor would be useful for disease monitoring, possible disincentives to participation include fear of the imposition of travel restrictions should a disease be detected.

Additional reading of interest

INFLUENZA PANDEMIC PREPAREDNESS Countries and international bodies must immediately revise existing pandemic influenza preparedness and response plans to incorporate lessons learned from and the impacts of COVID-19, experts from the Johns Hopkins Center for Health Security and colleagues write in [Nature Medicine](#). The authors note these steps are “particularly urgent given both the emergence of a number of influenza spillover threats and exhausted and depleted public health systems globally.” They make recommendations about how revisions could be achieved, concluding, “The world is in a precarious public health position that warrants weighing potential pandemic risks more seriously. The next pandemic may not be influenza, but the risk calculus for such a pandemic must be prepared now.”

Johns Hopkins COVID-19 Resources (Continued)

VACCINE MANDATE RULING A panel of the San Francisco-based 9th US Circuit Court of Appeals [ruled](#) on April 19 that [President Joe Biden had the authority](#) under the federal Procurement Act—which enables the president to adopt rules that promote economy and efficiency in federal contracting—to mandate COVID-19 vaccination for millions of federal contractor employees in 2021. The decision reverses a previous ruling by an Arizona court that blocked the mandate last year and creates a split with 3 other appeals courts that have said President Biden likely exceeded his authority. In October 2022, the White House told agencies not to enforce the contractor mandate in light of ongoing and pending legal challenges.

US PRISON POPULATION The United States is known for having the highest incarceration rate on the planet, with significant bias by class and race. [COVID-19 reduced the country's prison population by 17%](#), but a [new study in Nature](#) shows that racial disparities worsened with this decrease, as the proportion of incarcerated Black and Latino people sharply increased. The authors cited changes in typical distribution of those admitted into prisons, disruptions in court proceedings, disruptions in transfers from county jails, as well as ongoing [racial disparities in sentence length](#), pre-trial case dismissals, and pre-trial plea deals as contributors to these trends. They also noted potential structural and racial inequalities in decarceration policies. Unfortunately, these trends [reverse some of the progress made in the last decade](#) to reduce prison populations and racial disparities within them.

TYPE 2 DIABETES In a study published this week in [JAMA Network Open](#), Canadian researchers found that people who have had COVID-19 were [significantly more likely to be diagnosed with Type 2 diabetes](#) within a year of their infection, compared with those who had not been exposed to SARS-CoV-2. Notably, men were more likely than women to develop diabetes, and people who were hospitalized or in intensive care with COVID-19 were 2 and 3 times as likely to develop the condition, respectively, when compared with individuals who were not infected. The researchers concluded that 3–5% of new diabetes diagnoses could be related to COVID-19. At least [11 other studies](#) have shown an increased risk of developing diabetes after SARS-CoV-2 infection, with one meta-analysis showing a 66% increased risk of diabetes following COVID-19. Some evidence exists suggesting that vaccination might have a protective effect but also that multiple reinfections could raise the risk of Type 2 diabetes. Healthcare organizations and medical professionals should be mindful of the potential long-term outcomes of COVID-19, including [monitoring patients for diabetes](#).

CHILDHOOD VACCINATIONS The COVID-19 pandemic, conflict, and a loss of confidence in vaccines due to misleading information led to [67 million children missing out on at least one routine vaccination](#) between 2019 and 2021, according to UNICEF's [State of the World's Children 2023 report](#). A trend of declining confidence in childhood vaccines of up to 44 percentage points in several countries is a [“worrying warning signal”](#) of rising vaccine hesitancy, decreasing trust in governments, and increasing politicization, UNICEF Executive Director Catherine Russell said. The report stressed that vaccine confidence can shift and the findings may not indicate a long-term trend.

GLOBAL VACCINATION KNOWLEDGE The [Global Compendium of Country Knowledge on COVID-19 Vaccination](#) is now available online from TechNet-21, the WHO [announced](#). The Compendium, which stores more than 140 documents, provides country experiences, case studies, and country evaluations on COVID-19 vaccination and is a resource for national authorities managing or making key decisions on the deployment, implementation, and monitoring of COVID-19 vaccinations, as well as for partners who can provide technical support based on the best practices.

Johns Hopkins COVID-19 Resources (Continued)

The following websites provide up-to-date epidemiological information down to the US county level:
[Johns Hopkins University Daily COVID-19 Data in Motion](#) (daily video showing global and US trends)

- [New York Times Coronavirus in the US: Latest Map and Case Count](#) (US data portrayed in tables, maps, and graphs)
- [US CDC COVID-19 Integrated County View](#) (click on pulldown menu to view either COVID-19 Community Levels or Community Transmission, as well as other indicators specific to the US)

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Administration for Strategic Preparedness & Response (ASPR)

ICYMI: HHS renews Public Health Emergency for COVID-19 until May 11

Based on current COVID-19 trends, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) is planning for the federal Public Health Emergency (PHE) for COVID-19, declared under Section 319 of the Public Health Service (PHS) Act, to expire at the end of the day on May 11, 2023.

[Read the fact sheet](#) [HHS' letter to states](#)

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American Journal of Public Health (AJPH)

[May 2023 - Volume 113, Issue 5 \(aphapublications.org\)](#)

The May issue of AJPH focuses on population-based monitoring of COVID-19.

It features a special section that explores the value of population-based information based on random samples through the ENE-COVID study in Spain as well as the REACT-1 study in the United Kingdom. Other papers in this issue address topics such as reducing health impacts of extreme heat, identifying loopholes for underage access in e-cigarette delivery laws, vaccinating vulnerable populations for COVID-19, and more. **Featured Articles:**

- [Public Health Impacts of Vaccines for COVID-19 and Beyond: Opportunities to Overcome Technical and Regulatory Barriers for Randomized Trials](#) Alternative designs for pivotal vaccine trials can provide a wide array of info about the various effects of vaccines, to both individual and public health.
- [The Short and the Long Arm of the COVID-19 Pandemic: Direct and Indirect Effects of the US Economic Lockdown Do and Frank Looking Back](#) Brunt of Health and non-Health impacts of U.S. COVID-19 economic shutdown borne by intersecting vulnerable populations.
- [Rural–Urban Differences in Vaccination and Hesitancy Rates and Trust: US COVID-19 Trends and Impact Survey on a Social Media Platform](#) The rural-urban disparity in Covid-19 vaccination is larger than the disparity in vaccination hesitancy, suggesting that access to vaccines is a significant contributor to the low vaccination rate in rural regions.
- [Vaccine Uptake and Hesitancy in Rural America in the Wake of the COVID-19 Pandemic.](#)
- Future research is needed on the difference between vaccine uptake and hesitancy in rural communities, with a focus on issues tied to access, politics, and rural identity.
- [COVID-19 Risk by Workers' Occupation and Industry in the United States, 2020–2021](#) Workers in several industries and occupations with public-facing roles and adults in households with multiple workers had elevated risk of COVID-19, according to a 2020-2021 national survey.
- [The Other Side of the Balance Sheet: Work as a Fundamental Determinant of Health](#) Work is a fundamental determinant of COVID-19 and health broadly. Addressing work as a fundamental determinant of health requires investing in prevention and also understanding how a profit driven economy contributes to these problems.

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Association of State and Territorial Health Officials (ASTHO)

[ASTHO Comments on the Pandemic and All-Hazards Preparedness Act](#)

ASTHO is pleased to provide comments in response to the Senate Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions request for information in their deliberations to reauthorize the Pandemic and All-Hazards Preparedness Act. ASTHO recognizes the need for strong federal support for state and territorial public health preparedness to maintain and advance public health emergency response capacity. Check out the full letter to learn more.

Supporting State Health Agency HAI/AR Programs | Check out two new videos available highlighting strategies to support healthcare-associated infection and antimicrobial resistance (HAI/AR) programs. The first video features Joseph Kanter (SHO-LA) and Erica Washington of the Louisiana Department of Health explaining the need to [align HAI/AR program communications and structure with state and territorial health agencies](#). In the second, ASTHO sat down with Joan Duwve and Bryna Stacey from the Kansas Department of Health and Environment to discuss ways to [support HAI/AR staff recruitment and retention](#).

[States Can Lead on Mitigating the Effects of Climate Change](#) Extreme weather events caused by climate change disrupt healthcare delivery, education, employment, and other social structures, while also displacing people from their homes and communities. Additionally, certain vulnerable and marginalized populations are disproportionately impacted by the health impacts of climate change. However, state health agencies can help protect the public from some of these effects. Learn more in the latest *Health Policy Update*.

[Partner Spotlight: Q&A with Vivian Lasley-Bibbs of NASOMH](#) The National Association of State Offices of Minority Health (NASOMH) works to close the disparity gaps that exist in the nation's marginalized, minority, and socially vulnerable populations. ASTHO spoke with Vivian Lasley-Bibbs, board president of NASOMH, about helping minority/health equity offices with capacity building, policy, and workforce development. Learn how state and territorial health agencies can address minority health disparities in this new blog.

LEGISLATIVE ALERT | Analysis: President Biden's FY24 Budget Proposal | The White House recently released the President's FY24 budget proposal, which kicks off the annual appropriations process for the upcoming fiscal year. It's important to remember that Congress has the authority to approve, reject, or modify funding recommendations from the budget. Learn about the proposed funding levels for key public health programs in this [legislative alert](#).

ASTHO Speaks at Data Infrastructure Conference | Jamie Pina, ASTHO's vice president of data modernization, recently spoke at Regenstrief Institute Center for Biomedical Informatics' conference, Modernizing Indiana's Public Health Data Infrastructure. He spoke about the organization's public health informatics portfolio and the support ASTHO provides to advance the successful modernization of public health data systems and operations. [Learn more about the conference](#).

- **Blog:** [Fathers and Partners are Crucial to the Breastfeeding Community | ASTHO](#)
- **Blog:** [Building an Island Health Equity Framework for the Future | ASTHO](#)
- **Blog:** [A Look at a Critical Player in Public Health, Disease Intervention Specialists | ASTHO](#)
- **Blog:** [Advancing Inclusivity Through Local, Diverse Leadership | ASTHO](#)
- **Blog:** [Top Five Reasons to Join ASTHO's Health Equity Summit | ASTHO](#)
- **Report:** [Data Exchange to Save Lives: IIS and HIE Relationships & The Laws Protecting Public Health Data | ASTHO](#)
- **Blog:** [Integrating Breastfeeding Into Early Childhood Nutrition Security Programs | ASTHO](#)
- [End of data sharing could make COVID-19 harder to control, experts and high-risk patients warn.](#) | CNN | Marcus Plescia, ASTHO CMO

Community Commons (CC)

- [Parks for All People: Addressing Legacies of Racism, Displacement, and Exclusion in National Parks](#)
- [Infectious Diseases](#)
- [To Build a Healthier City, Begin at the Sidewalk](#)
- [No Justice, No Peace of Mind and Body: The Health Impacts of Housing Insecurity for Black Women](#)
- [People Living in Poverty](#)
- [An Interactive View of the Housing Boom and Bust](#)
- [The U.S. Census Sees Middle Eastern and North African People As White. Many Don't.](#)
- [Centering and Celebrating Culture in Public Health](#)
- **ICYM:** [Centering and Celebrating Culture in Public Health](#)
- **ICYM:** [Autism - Community Commons](#)
- **ICYM:** [Taking Action to End Gun Violence: Our Top Tools, Resources, Stories, and Data](#)
- **ICYM:** [NPHW Toolkit | PHERN \(communitycommons.org\)](#)
- **ICYM:** [Exploring Community-led Racial Healing Models to Deepen Partnerships between Community Development and Healthcare - Build Healthy Places Network](#)
- **ICYM:** [Three Keys to Cross-Sector Age-Friendly Care](#)
- **ICYM:** [Data Sharing - Community Commons](#)
- **ICYM:** [All of Us Research Hub \(researchallofus.org\)](#)
- **ICYM:** [Reflecting on My Mom's Death: Moving Toward A More Complex Understanding of Health, Disability, And Dying - Community Commons](#)
- **ICYM:** [Health Data Resources - Community Commons](#)

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County Health Rankings and Roadmaps

ICYM: [The 2023 National Findings Report](#) highlights the connection between civic health and thriving people and places. Civic health reflects the opportunities people have to participate in their communities and is the cornerstone of our democracy, representing promise, opportunity, belonging and shared responsibility.

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• Council of Linkages Between Academia and Practice

• **Domain Definitions Updated for the 2021 Core Competencies** [Following the release of the 2021 Core Competencies for Public Health Professionals](#) (Core Competencies), the Public Health Foundation (PHF) has been working to develop new resources and tools to support public health professionals and organizations in using the newest version of the Core Competencies. Most recently, the domain definitions, [Core Competencies for Public Health Professionals: Domains](#), have been updated for the newest version of the Core Competencies. This tool describes the eight domains used to organize the Core Competencies representing skill areas within public health. Visit the [Core Competencies for Public Health Professionals: Domains](#) webpage to access the updated tool and share any questions with Mayela Arana at marana@phf.org.

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Trust for America's Health (TFAH)

- EPA recently released the [Climate Change and Children's Health and Well-Being in the United States Report](#). This national-scale, multi-sector report quantifies projected health effects associated with extreme heat, air quality, changing seasons, flooding, and infectious diseases. Where possible, the analyses consider the extent to which these risks disproportionately fall on children from overburdened populations.

Trust for America’s Health (TFAH, Continued)

- TFAH is committed to elevating healthy aging as a core public health function. A key component of this effort is building the capacity of public health professionals through training and professional development. TFAH’s Age-Friendly Public Health Systems (AFPHS) Initiative offers an “AFPHS Champion” designation to empower and encourage more leaders to champion healthy aging. This recognition honors public health professionals who are committed to expanding their knowledge about healthy aging and want to lead their departments and organizations in becoming age-friendly. Anyone can become a Champion! Reaching this status is simple: individuals who attend or view at least six AFPHS monthly trainings will be designated as AFPHS Champions. You can [sign up for and attend a live training](#) OR [view a recording of a training](#) and [complete a survey](#) to indicate you viewed a session. Over 50 people across the country have been recognized as Champions! Visit the [AFPHS Recognition Program page](#) for more information.
- Recently, HHS announced the new HHS Bridge Access Program For COVID-19 Vaccines and Treatments. The program will create a unique \$1.1 billion public-private partnership to help maintain uninsured individuals’ access to COVID-19 care at their local pharmacies, through existing public health infrastructure, and at their local health centers. [For more information.](#)
- The latest [CDC Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report \(MMWR\)](#) examines chronic pain in adults from 2019 to 2021. The report found that during 2021, an estimated 20.9% of U.S. adults (51.6 million persons) experienced chronic pain, and 6.9% (17.1 million persons) experienced high-impact chronic pain with a higher prevalence among non-Hispanic American Indian or Alaska Native adults, adults identifying as bisexual, and adults who were divorced or separated. The report recommends that clinicians, practices, health systems, and payers should vigilantly attend to health inequities and ensure access to appropriate, affordable, diversified, coordinated, and effective pain management care for all persons.

ICYMI:

- [April 2023 Climate and Health Outlook](#)
- [Public Health Data Strategy \(PHDS\)](#)
- [Achieving Environmental Health Equity: The Need and Opportunities for Public Health Action](#)
- [Home | Congressional District Health Dashboard](#)
- [Home | City Health Dashboard](#)
- [Chronic Disease Indicators \(CDI\) | DPH | CDC](#)

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National Network of Public Health Institutes (NNPHI)

ICYMI: Seven Directions: 2023 Indigenous Evaluation Toolkit

New Indigenous Evaluation Toolkit, an actionable guide for tribal public health organizations!

As Indigenous communities continue to shape programming to reflect their own stories, ways of knowing, and cultural perspectives, there is a growing need for frameworks that support the infusion of this knowledge into the evaluation of their programs focused on substance use prevention, treatment, and recovery support.

Through step-by-step guidance, worksheets, and storytelling, this toolkit offers communities an iterative, reflective, continuous learning process for beginning or incorporating Indigenous evaluation.

[Read The Toolkit](#)

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Prevent Connect

Housing, Disability Justice and Sexual Violence Prevention: An Introduction

This blog is the first in a series on the intersections of disability justice, housing access, and sexual violence prevention, exploring foundational components to working in the intersections of housing and disability justice. Stay tuned throughout May for new installments! [Read Now](#)

PreventConnect joins panel to address sexual violence as public health crisis

In honor of Sexual Assault Awareness Month, David Lee MPH, Valor.US Deputy Director and PreventConnect Staff, joined experts in public health, education and survivor justice, to address sexual violence as a public health crisis and what's needed to move beyond awareness in a panel event, moderated by 'MeToo' CEO Dani Ayers. [Read Now](#)

Sexual Assault Awareness Month 2023: Resources for the Field

April signals the start of Sexual Assault Awareness Month (SAAM): a time for sexual assault advocates, prevention practitioners, and communities to raise awareness about sexual violence and build skills and strategies to prevent it. We're compiling resources, events and campaigns geared toward building capacity to advancing health equity in sexual violence prevention. [Read Now](#)

Youth Risk Behavior Survey – Data Summary & Trends Report – Opportunities for Primary Prevention in the Anti-sexual Violence Field.

In honor of National Youth Violence Prevention week, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention is uplifting tools and resources to support the health and wellbeing in schools in communities.

Earlier this year, the CDC released the [Youth Risk Behavior Survey](#), indicating that adolescent girls and LGB students are experiencing high rates of sexual violence and their mental health is declining as a result.

The report went on to outline actions prevention practitioners, school staff and supportive adults can take to improve adolescent health and well-being, with a strong emphasis on working in and alongside schools to create inclusive environments.

Find their compilation of data and resources for practitioners, parents and schools [here](#).

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PODCASTS:

- **Prevent Connect:**
 - **Youth Engagement Mini-Series:**
 - **NEW!** [Youth Engagement Mini-Series: RCC GameChangers](#)
 - [Part 1: An Interview with Youth Activists](#)
 - [Part 2: A Coalition's Honest Journey to Centering Youth Voices](#)
 - [Sexual Assault Awareness Month 2023: Prevention Demands Equity](#)
 - [Bridging Data and Practice in the Case for Prevention](#)
- **County Health Rankings and Roadmaps - [In Solidarity](#) podcast** is back and brand-new!
- **CDC Foundation Conversations Podcast: [Contagious Conversations: Creatively Combating Antimicrobial Resistance](#)**
- **Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health [Public Health on Call](#) podcast**

- **American Journal of Public Health Podcast:**
 - **NEW!** [AJPH 4/2023: "VACCINATING AMERICA: THE INSIDE STORY"](#)
 - **ICYMI:** [AJPH 3/2023: "SMART AND MRT: EMERGING METHODS IN PUBLIC HEALTH"](#)
- **Public Health Institute Podcast: [Flipping the Table – Food, Farming and Future series](#)**
 - [Climate, Health & Community Solutions](#)
- **NEW Episode: "[Conversations with CEf](#)": [Providing Affirming Care to Transgender Youth](#)**
- **Public Health Institute Podcast:**
 - **NEW!** [People. Power. Perspectives. — A Podcast Series from PHI's CA4Health](#)
- **"[Conversations with CEf](#)" Podcast:**
 - **NEW!** [The Resurgence of Congenital Syphilis in NYS: A Look at the Past and Present to Change the Future](#)
- **NEW!** [Seven Public Health Podcasts to Check Out | ASTHO](#)
- **NEW!** [Reducing STI Stigma Through Inclusive Care Strategies | ASTHO](#)
- **NEW Episodes!** **THIS WEEK ON [PUBLIC HEALTH REVIEW MORNING EDITION](#)**
 - [409: Data Landscape, Deeper in Debt Ceiling Debate | Public Health Review Morning Edition \(astho.org\)](#)
 - [408: Childhood Toxic Stress, Encouraging Exercise | Public Health Review Morning Edition \(astho.org\)](#)
 - [407: Disaster Response Getting Better, Leadership Diversity | Public Health Review Morning Edition \(astho.org\)](#)
 - [406: One Health Discussion, CDC Data Tech Funding | Public Health Review Morning Edition \(astho.org\)](#)
 - [405: Childhood Immunization Schedules, Island Area Health Equity Plans | Public Health Review Morning Edition \(astho.org\)](#)
 - [404: Food Safety Goals, Debt Ceiling Debate | Public Health Review Morning Edition \(astho.org\)](#)
 - [403: Immunization Data Sharing Reports, Equity Summit Take-Aways | Public Health Review Morning Edition \(astho.org\)](#)
 - [402: Equity Change Agents, Equity Success In Michigan | Public Health Review Morning Edition \(astho.org\)](#)
 - [401: New HAI/AR Resources, STI Hurdles and Opportunities | Public Health Review Morning Edition \(astho.org\)](#)
 - [400: Four Trust Strategies, Modernizing STI Approaches | Public Health Review Morning Edition \(astho.org\)](#)
 - [399: Trust Strategies, Congress Gets Back to Work | Public Health Review Morning Edition \(astho.org\)](#)
- **[ASTHO's PUBLIC HEALTH REVIEW PODCAST](#)**
 - **NEW!** [Connecting Climate Change and Health Equity in Public Health Agencies](#)

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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.

May 2023

Recovery Considerations for Public Health Agencies Following Emergencies and Disasters

Sponsored by Mid-Atlantic Regional PHTC

Monday, May 1, 2023, 11am-12pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! HUD HIV & Aging Webinar May 1 on Combating Social Isolation and Loneliness

Sponsored by UD's Office of HIV/AIDS Housing (OHH)

Monday, May 1, 2023, 1-2:30pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Shades of Lactation

Sponsored by ASTHO's Maternal and Infant Health team

Monday, May 1, 2023, 3:30-4:30pm

[Register Here](#)

Climate Change and Mental Health Interventions Workshop

Sponsored by American Public Health Association

Tuesday, May 2, 2023, 12-1pm

[Register Here](#)

Region 2 PHTC Log-in2Learn: Occupation and COVID-19 Mortality in New York City

Sponsored by Region 2 PHTC

Tuesday, May 2, 2023, 12-1pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! How the Farm Bill Can Promote Disability Economic Justice

Sponsored by Disability Economic Justice Collaborative (DEJC)

Tuesday, May 2, 2023, 12-1pm

[Register Here](#)

Discussion with John Crowley, Chairman and CEO, Amicus Therapeutics

Sponsored by Research!America Alliance

Tuesday, May 2, 2023, 1-2pm

[Register Here](#)

#SaludTues Tweetchat: How to Create Food Equity

Sponsored by Salud America!

Tuesday, May 2, 2023, 1-2pm

[Register Here](#)

World Asthma Day

Sponsored by the American Lung Association

Tuesday, May 2, 2023, 1-2pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Reaching Communities through Patient Navigation: Evidence for Action

Sponsored by American Cancer Society and the Community Preventive Services Task Force

Tuesday, May 2, 2023, 3:30 -4:45pm

[Register Here](#)

Faith Leaders Allied and Aligned to Institute Trust in the Healthy Outcomes from Positive Experiences Program

Sponsored by Systems for Action Individual Research Project

Wednesday, May 3, 2023, 12-1pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! For Some, It's Far From Over: The Long-Term Symptoms of COVID-19

Sponsored by Alabama Regional Center for Infection Prevention and Control Training and Technical Assistance (ARC IPC)

Wednesday, May 3, 2023, 1-2pm

[Register Here](#)

Ready or Not 2023: Protecting the Public's Health from Diseases, Disasters, and Bioterrorism

Sponsored by Trust for America's Health (TFAH)

May 3, 2023, 2-3pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! National Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Education Webinar for Pediatricians

Sponsored by American Academy of Pediatrics

Thursday, May 4, 2023, 2-3:30

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Report Release Webinar: Nonhuman Primate Models in Biomedical Research: State of the Science and Future Needs

Sponsored by *National Academies of Science, Engineering & Medicine (NASEM)*

Thursday, May 4, 2023, 3-4pm

[Register Here](#)

Two-Day Prioritizing Actions for Epidemic and Pandemic Preparedness

Sponsored by National Academies of Science, Engineering & Medicine (NASEM)

Day 1 | Thursday, May 4, 2023, 8am-12pm

Day 2 | Thursday, May 18, 2023, 8am-12pm

[Register Here](#)

Sexual Health Center of Excellence Lunch & Learn: Family Planning for LGBTQ+ Populations

Sponsored by CEI

Monday, May 8, 2023, 12-1pm, CME Available!

[Register Here](#)

Introduction to Effective Writing for Public Health Professionals: Email Etiquette and Related Best Practices

Sponsored by Mid-Atlantic Regional PHTC

May 9, 2023, 12:30-2pm NYSDOH-Office of Public Health Practice eDistance Learning Newsletter

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Street Outreach Program

Sponsored by youthcollaboratory

Tuesday, May 9, 2023, 1:00pm - 3:00pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Successful Public Health Approaches in Dementia Caregiving: A Virtual Roundtable Series

Sponsored by the BOLD Public Health Center of Excellence on Dementia Caregiving

Tuesday, May 9, 2023, 2-3pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Streamline and Improve the Development & Implementation of SHIPs & CHIPs

Sponsored by InsightFormation, Inc.

Tuesday, May 9, 2023, 3:00 - 3:30pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Improving Support for Care Partners –2023 Robert L. Kane Memorial Lecture

Sponsored by the University of Minnesota School of Public Health

Tuesday, May 9, 2023, 5:00 pm

[Register Here](#).

2023 NNPPI Annual Conference

Sponsored by National Network Public Health Institutes

May 9 - 11, 2023, Washington, DC

[Register Here](#)

NEW! From AMR to Zika: Strengthening Pathogen Genomics in Public Health

Sponsored by the American Society for Microbiology

Wednesday, May 10, 2023, 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

385 Russell Senate Office Building

[For more information and to register](#)

NEW! The State of Our Children's Health

Sponsored by the National Institute for Health Care Management (NIHCM)

Wednesday, May 10, 2023, 1-2pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Let Them Lead: Engaging High School Students in Safe Routes Projects

Colorado Safe Routes to School

Wednesday, May 10, 2023, 2 - 3pm ET

[Register Here](#)

NEW! 6th Annual Older Adult Mental Health Awareness Day Symposium

Sponsored by the National Council on Aging

Thursday, May 11, 2023, 10-11am

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Basic Center Program *(Please note the updated date and time)*

Sponsored by youthcollaboratory

Thursday, May 11, 2023, 12:00pm - 2:00pm

[Register Here](#)

Care Connection Webinar: Empowering Your Loved One Through Dementia-Friendly Home Design

Sponsored by Alzheimer's Foundation of America

Thursday, May 11, 2023, 1-2pm

[Register Here](#)

Treatment of Alcohol Use Disorder: Clinical Practice Guidelines for the Primary Care Setting

Sponsored by New York City Department of Homeless Services & CEI

Thursday, May 11, 2023, 3-4pm | CME/ CNE Available!

[Register Here](#)

Take a Break: Social Support for the Public Health Workforce

Sponsored by Mid-Atlantic Regional PHTC

May 12, 2023, 12-1pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Addressing the Rising Mental Health Needs of an Aging Population: Online Training Development Rubrics

Sponsored by Mid-Atlantic Regional PHTC

May 15, 2023, 1-1:30pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Forum on Mental Health & Substance Use Disorders

Sponsored by *National Academies of Science, Engineering & Medicine (NASEM)*

May 15-16, 2023

[Register Here](#)

An Aligned Delivery and Financing Model to Address Food Insecurity and Social Needs of Low-income Pregnant Individuals

Sponsored by Systems for Action Individual Research Project

Wednesday, May 17, 2023, 12 - 1p.m.

[Register Here](#)

NEW! How did the COVID-19 Recession Impact People with Disabilities in Rural America?

Sponsored by The Interagency Committee on Disability Research

Wednesday, May 17, 2023, 12-1pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Brain Health Academy

Sponsored by UsAgainstAlzheimer's

Wednesday, May 17, 2023,

[Register Here](#)

NEW! In-Person Workshop: Supporting AAI Communities in Healing from Racial Trauma

Sponsored by Lotus Project

Thursday, May 18, 2023, 9AM-4:30PM PST, Location: State Building: 455 Golden Gate Ave, SF

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Colorectal Cancer Screening Update: Choosing the Best Test for Your Patient

Sponsored by The Rockefeller University Center for Clinical and Translational Science

Thursday, May 18, 2023, 12:00PM - 1:00PM, This webinar is pending approval for 1.0 Prescribed CME/CNE credit by The American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP)

[Register Here](#)

Finding Joy Through Succession Planning

Sponsored by Region V Public Health Training Center

Thursday, May 18, 2023, 12:30 - 2:00pm

Free to attend - [Register Here](#)

1.5 contact hours MCHES Category I CECH -- CE & Certificate of Completion available for \$6.

Best Practices for Facilities Management in Public Health Emergencies

Sponsored by Mid-Atlantic Regional PHTC

Thursday, May 18, 2023, 1-2pm

[Register Here](#)

Maternal Sepsis: Epidemiology, Early Detection, and Equity Considerations

Sponsored by Sepsis Alliance

Thursday, May 18, 2023, 2-3pm

1.20 RN CE Contact Hours, 1 CE Contact Hour for other healthcare providers

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Age-Friendly Public Health Systems (AFPHS) Initiative: Complementing Existing Health Promoting Programs (wufoo.com)

Sponsored by TFAH

Thursday, May 18, 2023, 3-4pm

[Register Here](#)

Spring 2023 COPN Convening: A California Overdose Data Summit

Sponsored by National Overdose Prevention Network

Tuesday, May 23, 2023, 1pm-2pm

[Register Here](#)

Hepatitis B and C: Coinfection and Reactivation

Sponsored by HepCure and CEI

Tuesday, May 23, 2023, 4:30-5:30pm, CME/ CNE Available!

[Register Here](#)

2023 Public Health TechXpo and Futures Forum

Sponsored by ASTHO

In-person in Chicago, IL, plus hybrid, May 23-25, 2023

[Register Here](#)

Psychological Care for the Caregiver in Public Health Emergency Response: Best Practice Considerations

Sponsored by Mid-Atlantic Regional PHTC

Wednesday, May 24, 2023, 9:30–10:45am

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Reducing Stigma & Changing the Culture

Sponsored by CA Bridge

Thursday, May 25, 2023, 2-3pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Stimulant Use Disorder: Clinical Practice Guidelines for the Primary Care Provider

Sponsored by NYSDOH CEI

Friday, May 26, 2023, 12:00-1:00 PM, CME/CNE available!

[Register Here](#)

Questions? Contact Charlotte.Miller@mountsinai.org

Research to Understand Systems of Housing (RUSH): Feasibility & Acceptability of Aligning Systems for Fathers

Sponsored by Systems for Action Individual Research Project

May 31, 2023, 12 - 1p.m.

[Register Here](#)

June 2023

HIV 101 & Ending the HIV Epidemic in the United States

Sponsored by ASTHO

Jun 01 - 07, 2023

[Register Here](#)

Training for New Accreditation Coordinators: Tools and Strategies for your New Role

Sponsored by PHAB

Monday, June 5, 2023, 1:30 – 3:30 PM

[Register Here](#)

The 2023 Annual Conference on Vaccinology Research (ACVR 2023) Online

Sponsored by National Foundation for Infectious Diseases (NFID)

June 5-7, 2023

[Register Here](#)

Virtual PHIT Public Health Improvement Training (PHIT) Strengthening Performance Through Partnerships and Innovation”

Sponsored by National Network of Public Health Institutes

June 5-7, 2023

9th Annual NYS Sexual Health Conference: Emerging Issues and Practice Updates

Sponsored by CEI

Monday, June 5 - Thursday, June 8, 2023, 12:00-1:30pm daily

[Save the Date](#)

What's New in Version 2022 – Reaccreditation

Sponsored by PHAB

Tuesday June 6, 2023, 2:00 – 3:30

[Register Here](#)

Communicating Equity

Sponsored by Mid-Atlantic Regional PHTC

Part 1: Tuesday, June 6, 2023, 1-3pm

Part 2: Thursday, June 8, 2023, 1-3pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Next-Generation Screening - The Promise and Perils of DNA Sequencing of Newborns at Birth

Sponsored by the Sponsored by National Academies of Science, Engineering & Medicine (NASEM)'s Roundtable on Genomics and Precision Health

Wednesday, June 7, 2023, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Systems Alignment to Optimize Health Services for Youth Experiencing Homelessness

Sponsored by Systems for Action

Wednesday, June 7, 2023, 12 - 1p.m.

[Register Here](#)

Community Participation and Power

Sponsored by Mid-Atlantic Regional PHTC

Wednesday, June 7, 2023, 1-3pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Health Equity Council Meeting

Friday, June 9, 2023, 10:00 a.m. – 1:30 p.m., Albany, NY

If you would like to be added to the Council's meeting invitation list or have questions about the Council, please contact omhhdhp@health.ny.gov or 518-474-2180.

Take a Break: Social Support for the Public Health Workforce

Sponsored by Mid-Atlantic Regional PHTC

Friday, June 9, 2023, 12-1pm

[Register Here](#)

Principles of Adult Education

Sponsored by Mid-Atlantic Regional PHTC

Monday, June 12, 2023, 1-1:30pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! APHA's Policy Action Institute

Sponsored by APHA

Thursday, June 15, 2023, 9-5:30, Washington, D.C.

(Ronald Reagan International Trade Building) and Online

[Register Here](#)

California's Medicaid Waiver for Whole-Person Care Achieve Systems Integration? Key Facilitators of Cross-Sectoral Coordination for Complex Needs Individuals

Sponsored by Systems for Action Individual Research Project

June 21, 2023, 12-1 p.m.

[Register Here](#)

The Aspen Ideas: Health Conference

Sponsored by Aspen Institute

June 21st - 24th, 2023 in Aspen, CO

[Register Here](#)

Equity Impact Reviews

Sponsored by Mid-Atlantic Regional PHTC

Thursday, June 22, 2023, 1-3pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Searching for a Septic Arthritis Solution using a Novel Diagnostic Tool

Sponsored by bioMérieux Sponsored Session

Thursday, June 22, 2023, 2-3pm

[Register Here](#)

SAVE THE DATE [The 2023 New York State HIV Primary Care and Prevention Virtual Conference;](#)

"Innovative Strategies in HIV Care and Prevention."

Sponsored by CEI

Friday, June 23, 2023, 8:30-3:30 PM

Agenda and registration details will follow soon!

Questions? Contact Phoebe.Rosenheim@mountsinai.org

NEW! Council on Linkages Between Academia and Public Health Practice: Strategic Directions

Sponsored by Council on Linkages Between Academia and Public Health Practice (Council on Linkages)

Friday, June 23, 2023, 12:30-2:30pm

[Register Here](#)

Contact Mayela Arana at marana@phf.org

July 2023

Achieving Reach in Youth Behavioral Health and Wellness through Catchment-Area Community Governance

Sponsored by Systems for Action Individual Research Project

July 5, 2023, 12 - 1p.m.

[Register Here](#)

NEW! 2023 NACCHO360 Conference, Elevating Public Health Practice for Today and Tomorrow

Sponsored by NACCHO & PHF

July 10-13, 2023, Sheraton Denver Downtown Hotel in Colorado

[Register Here](#)

Compassion Fatigue: Considerations for Recognition and Management among Public Health Providers

Sponsored by Mid-Atlantic Regional PHTC

Wednesday, July 12, 2023, 10-11am

[Register Here](#)

Tribal Care Coordination Dashboard Project: Coeur Adolescent Support Team (CAST) Referrals

Sponsored by Systems for Action Individual Research Project

July 19, 2023, 12 - 1p.m

[Register Here](#)

Fostering a Culture of Continuous Quality Improvement

Sponsored by Mid-Atlantic Regional PHTC

Tuesday, July 25, 2023, 9:30–10:45am

[Register Here](#)

New & OnDemand Content - NYLearnsPH.com

NEW! Grant Writing Courses from NYSACHO

The New York State Association of County Health Officials (NYSACHO) recently hosted a Grant Writing Webinar Series, designed for local health departments to support them in applying for grant opportunities. This four-webinar series covers effective grant seeking strategies, tips for successfully applying to grants from SAMHSA, HRSA, and foundation funders. Each webinar is approximately 60-minutes.

NYSACHO-GRANT-1

[Grant Writing Webinar #1: Effective Grant Seeking Strategies to Build Impactful Programs](#)

NYSACHO-GRANT-2

[Grant Writing Webinar #2: Successful Grant Seeking Strategies for SAMHSA Grants](#)

NYSACHO-GRANT-3

[Grant Writing Webinar #3: How to Win Funding from HRSA](#)

NYSACHO-GRANT-4

[Grant Writing Webinar #4: Successful Strategies for Attaining Foundation Grants](#)

Addressing Human Trafficking in Healthcare Settings

Sponsored by Region V Public Health Training Center

[Free CE and Certs:](#) 1.75 Nursing Contact Hours | 1.75 CHES Category I CECH

Enroll in LMS Course: [RVPHTC-20210201](#)

Building Systems to Sustain Home-Based Asthma Services

Sponsored by National Center for Healthy Housing (nchh.org)

Online Course

Enroll in LMS Course: [NCHH-11MODS](#)

Log-in2Learn - The Science of Trust: Implications for Public Health Research

Sponsored by Region 2 Public Health Training Center

Recorded on March 7, 2023

Enroll in LMS Course: [Req2PHTC-L2L202303](#)

Log-in 2 Learn - Mortality Surveillance Using an Automated Mortality Syndromic Surveillance System (MortalSS) – Lessons Learned from New York City

Sponsored by Region 2 Public Health Training Center

Recorded on February 7, 2023

Enroll in LMS Course: [Req2PHTC-L2L202302](#)

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: [Req2PHTC-L2L02301](#)

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](#)

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 Public Health

Sponsored by Public Health Communications Collaborative

Recorded April 13, 2022

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

Additional Training of Interest

NEW! Methamphetamine Update

Sponsored by CA Bridge

Recorded April 25, 2022

[View Here](#)

NEW! Racial Trauma Among Asian American & Asian Immigrant Communities Webinar 2: Implications for Clinical Practice Recording & Speaker Slides

Sponsored by The Lotus Project

Recorded April 25, 2022

[View Here](#)

Age-Friendly Public Health Systems (AFPHS) Initiative Trainings - Archives

Sponsored by Trust for America's Health

- [April 2023 Training - Coordinating Existing Services & Supports](#)
- [March 2023 Training - Connecting & Convening](#)
- [February 2023 Training - Create & Lead Change](#)
- [January 2023 Training - Reframing Aging: Harnessing the Power of Our Words](#)
- [Archives: Events 2021-2022 - Age-Friendly Public Health Systems \(afphs.org\)](#)

Bike-Ped Meets Higher Ed: Partnering with Colleges and Universities on Safe Routes to School

Sponsored by Colorado Safe Routes to School

Recorded April 25, 2023

[View Here](#)

Reimagined in America Series: Transforming Communities through Nature

Sponsored by The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation

Archived Episodes 1-14

[Click here and scroll down to view](#)

Social Bonds as a Pooled Financing Mechanism to Address Social Drivers of Health Equity

Sponsored by Systems for Action

Recorded April 20, 2023

[View Here](#)

Project Firstline Session: Various Variants

Sponsored by HANYS

Recorded April 13, 2023

[View Here](#)

PHSAD's 36th Annual Health Equity Conference Keynote

Recorded April 1, 2023

[View Here](#)

The Heart of Health Equity: Toni Newman of the National Minority AIDS Council (NMAC)

Sponsored by Health Leads

Recorded March 31, 2023

[View Here](#)

A Look Inside Life-Saving Overdose Prevention Centers

Sponsored by Drug Policy Alliance

Posted March 30, 2023

[View Here](#)

Intersections Initiative: How You Can Help Your Community Access Federal Funding for Walking and Bike

Sponsored by America Walks / Safe Routes Partnership

Recorded March 22, 2023

[View Here](#)

Migraine 101 Videos

Sponsored by The National Headache Foundation (NHF)

Recorded March 2023

10 Webinars - [View Here](#)

Foundational Public Health Services (FPHS) Capacity and Cost Assessment

Sponsored by PHAB, PHNCI, and the University of Minnesota Center for Public Health Systems.

Recorded March 16, 2023

[For More Information and to Watch](#)

Vaccine Confidence Panel Presentation: Equity in Childhood COVID-19 Vaccination

Sponsored by Office of New Americans & Office of Minority Health and Health Disparities Prevention

Recorded March 7, 2023

[View Here](#) Passcode: 9987#Nex

Breaking Down Barriers to Achieve the Highest Level of Health

Sponsored by Healthcare Leadership Council

Recorded March 8, 2023

[View Here](#)

Health Affairs Briefing: Public Health During COVID-19

Sponsored by Health Affairs

Recorded March 8, 2023

[View Here](#)

Teamwork Makes Safe Routes Work: Partnering with School Districts on Safe Routes to School Projects

Sponsored by Colorado Safe Routes to School

Recorded March 8, 2023

[View Here](#)

Black History Month Live Roundtable Conversation “Diversity and Strength: Our History, Our Heritage, Our Journey”

Sponsored by NYS Office of Health Equity and Human Rights

Recorded February 28, 2023

[View Here](#)

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

Sponsored by Region 5 PHTC | Self-directed training launched February 21, 2023.

1 CHES Category I CECH. Free to enroll. CE and certificate of completion available for \$3.

[View Here](#)

Harm Reduction Strategies for People Who Use Fentanyl

Sponsored by Overdose Prevention Network

Recorded February 15, 2023

[View Here](#)

Interventions to Address Particle Pollution and Heart Disease (Part B)

Sponsored by the HHS Office of the Assistant Secretary for Health

Recorded February 9, 2023

[View Here](#)

NEW! 2023 African American Conference on Disabilities Series

Sponsored by AZ Disability Law

Recorded February 8 & 9, 2023

[Session #1 Crossroads: The Intersectional Approach to Disability Justice framework](#)

[Session #2 Sankofa: Expanding A Black Family Support Group into the Midwest](#)

[Session #3 Meeting the Educational Needs of Arizona's Foster Youth - Panel Discussion](#)

[Session #4 Tracing the Trauma Thread from our Ancestors to Present Healing](#)

Every Family Forward: A Conversation on Advancing Collective Responsibility to All Families

Sponsored by Robert Wood Johnson Foundation

Recorded February 8, 2023

[View Here](#)

Smart Growth America's 2023 Equity Summit

Sponsored by National Complete Streets Coalition

Recorded February 7-9

[View Here](#)

Improving Public Health Through Data and Communication

Sponsored by ASTHO

Recorded February 1, 2023

[View Here](#)

The Social Safety Net as an Investment in Children

Sponsored by UCTV

Recorded January 29, 2023

[View Here](#)

Cultivating Community Leadership and Power Within Ecosystems

Sponsored by Prevent Connect

Session 1 - Recorded January 18, 2023 | [View Here](#)

Session 2 - Recorded January 26, 2023 | [View Here](#)

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](#)

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](#)

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](#)

Analysis of Count Data Regression Models 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](#)

Synergy of Healthy People 2030 and PHAB Standards

Sponsored by Healthy People 2030 objectives and Public Health Accreditation Board (PHAB)

Microlearning | [View Here](#)

Roots of Health Inequity

Sponsored by NAACHO

[View Here](#)

Clinical Education Initiative (CEI)

CEI announces the availability of **new online accredited courses**:

- [A Review of Clinical Safe Spaces for Sexual Assault Patients](#)
- [Updates from CROI 2023](#) [course provided by Physicians' Research Network (PRN)]
- [Getting to the Heart of the Matter: Updates on Cardiovascular Disease in HIV](#) [course provided by Physicians' Research Network (PRN)]

Best of ACTHIV 2022

- [Case-Based Management of Hepatitis C in Persons with HIV](#)
- [Dermatology for People with HIV](#)
- [Principles of Antiretroviral Therapy](#)
- [Cardio-metabolic Complications of ART](#)
- [Opportunistic Infection Cases in People with HIV](#)
- [Update on the Diagnosis and Treatment of STIs](#)

and new Learning Modules:

- [ECHO: STIs Among Older Adults](#)
- [Panel Discussion on LGBTQ+ Care in Substance Use Treatment](#)

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! Title: [Epidemiology, Testing, and Management of Extensively Drug-Resistant Shigellosis](#)

Date: Tuesday, February 28, 2023

NEW! Title: [Evaluating and Supporting Children and Adolescents Presenting with Post-COVID Conditions](#)

Date: Thursday, February 23, 2023

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

Date: Tuesday, January 24, 2023

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: [Meloidosis 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

National Center for Environmental Health

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

Title: [EH Nexus Webinar: Learn About Healthy Gardening and Lead Poisoning Prevention Efforts in Children](#) | **Date:** March 29, 2023

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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2020 (Current) Versions of Mandated Continuing Ed Programs (CEPs) for

- **Public Health Educator (PHEd)**
- **Public Health Nurse 2 (PHN2)**
- **Supervising Public Health Nurse (SPHN)**

Designed specifically for PHEds, PHN2s and SPHNs working at NYS Local Health Departments (LHD)

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Mandated CEPs: These CEP are required to be completed within the first year of hire for people in civil service titles: PHEd, PHN2 and SPHN per the NYS Sanitary Code. These CEPs are intended to ensure baseline knowledge for staff working in the civil service titles. These CEPs are not meant to be punitive. If you have any concerns about these required courses, please contact us at edlearn@health.ny.gov.

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.

1. [Reg2PHTC-Policy Analysis](#) - Policy Analysis in the Policy Process and How Systems Thinking Fits In
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-in 2 Learn - The Science of Trust: Implications for Public Health Research

Sponsored by Region 2 Public Health Training Center

Recorded on March 7, 2023

Enroll in LMS Course: [Reg2PHTC-L2L202303](#)

Log-in 2 Learn - Mortality Surveillance Using an Automated Mortality Syndromic Surveillance System (MortalSS) – Lessons Learned from New York City

Sponsored by Region 2 Public Health Training Center

Recorded on February 7, 2023

Enroll in LMS Course: [Reg2PHTC-L2L202302](#)

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](#)