Monday, April 4, 2022

A Science Agenda to Inform STLT Public Health Emergency Practice: An Overview and Discussion | 10:30 AM – 12:00 PM

As a science-based public health organization, CDC’s Center for Preparedness and Response (CPR) prioritizes investments into applied research, translation, and dissemination. Attendees will learn about how we developed the science agenda and how it can be used to inform local PHEPR research priorities and evidence-based practice.

SPEAKER(S):
Robin Soler, PhD – Director, Office of Applied Research, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Center for Preparedness and Response, Atlanta, Georgia
Mimi Kothari, MS, MS – Health Scientist, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Atlanta, Georgia

MODERATOR:
David Abramson, MPH, PhD – Associate Professor, New York University, School of Global Public Health, New York, New York

Building Public Health Capacity: Developing an Inter-Agency COVID-19 Case Investigation Data System | 10:30 AM – 12:00 PM

MCDPH and ASU rapidly scaled a surge case investigation workforce. In this session, we outline how we developed our inter-agency data management system, demonstrate the reporting pathway of data from a case who has tested positive for COVID-19, and describe lessons learned from the implementation of this bilateral partnership.

**SPEAKER(S):**
Jasmine M. Truong, MSPH – Program Manager, Arizona State University, Chandler, Arizona
Sarah Scott, MD – Medical Epidemiologist, Maricopa County Department of Public Health
Kimberly Prete, BS – Case Management Lead, Arizona State University

**MODERATOR:**
Megan Jehn, PhD, MHS – Associate Professor, Arizona State University

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**Concurrent Disasters: Informing the Development of an Online Tabletop Exercise Collaboration Toolkit | 10:30 AM – 12:00 PM**

**Track 3: Ensuring Situational Awareness to Support Decision-Making.**
This session will create a dialogue with attendees to help capture the issues surrounding public health preparedness and response to concurrent disasters. Participants will engage in meaningful dialogue regarding identified needs, gaps, and challenges, and associated collaborative strategies and approaches for responding to converging EH hazards.

**SPEAKER(S):**
Jesse C. Bliss, MPH – Director of Program and Partnership Development, National Environmental Health Association, Denver, Colorado
Michéle Samarya-Timm, MA, HO, MCHES, REHS, DLAAS – Senior Project Analyst, Environmental Health, Program and Partnership Development, National Environmental Health Association, Denver, Colorado
Christopher Walker, MSEH, REHS – Senior Program Analyst, Environmental Health, Program and Partnership Development, National Environmental Health Association, Denver, Colorado

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**Culturally and Linguistically Relevant Communications Strategies: Lessons Learned from COVID-19 | 10:30 AM – 12:00 PM**

**Track 1: Building and Sustaining Resilient Communities.**
Ensuring a high-quality health education and communications program that is culturally and linguistically relevant is necessary to improve health outcomes in refugee, immigrant and migrant communities. Join this session to explore communications strategies used during the COVID-19 pandemic that are relevant for future public health challenges.

SPEAKER(S):
Syreeta Wilkins, MA – Communications Strategist, National Resource Center for Refugees, Immigrants and Migrants (NRC-RIM) / University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minnesota
Erin Mann, MPH – Program Manager, National Resource Center for Refugees, Immigrants and Migrants (NRC-RIM) / University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minnesota

Development of a state-wide critical care coordination center in Maryland | 10:30 AM – 12:00 PM

In response to COVID-19, the State of Maryland developed a Critical Care Coordination Center tasked with coordinating critical care transfers and bed space throughout the State. This session will describe the funding, establishment, organization, and operation of this novel program which will likely provide support well beyond the COVID-19 crisis.

SPEAKER(S):
Andrew Naumann, NRP – Strategy & Operations Advisor, National Center for Disaster Medicine & Public Health, Germantown, Maryland
Samuel Galvagno, DO, PhD – Medical Director, Critical Care Coordination Center, Maryland Institute for EMS Systems

Disaster Epidemiology 101: Tools, Methods PHEP Capabilities & Intersection with Emergency Management | 10:30 AM – 12:00 PM
Track 3: Ensuring Situational Awareness to Support Decision-Making.

This session will provide an overview of Disaster Epidemiology (DE), describe how agencies can integrate DE into plans and practices, offer examples of how DE can meet PHEP Capability requirements, showcase intersection with Emergency Management (EM) and explain how DE-EM partnership improves preparedness and response.
Emergency Preparedness for Independent Living Facilities for Vulnerable Populations | 10:30 AM – 12:00 PM


This session will describe the policy response to public health and public safety issues identified and responded to by the New Orleans Health Department at independent living facilities that house seniors and people with disabilities, in the days following Hurricane Ida.

SPEAKER(S):
Jeanie Donovan, MPH, MPAff – Deputy Director, New Orleans Health Department, New Orleans, Louisiana

Enhancing After Action and Improvement Processes for COVID-19 and Future Public Health Emergencies | 10:30 AM – 12:00 PM

Traditional methods to capture incident successes and improvement areas are not always ideal for public health emergencies, including COVID-19. Attendees will learn how Public Health-Seattle & King County adapted existing after-action processes and created innovative tools to collect feedback and design an agencywide quality improvement effort.

SPEAKER(S):
Resham Patel, MPH – Organizational Preparedness & Evaluation Manager, Public Health - Seattle & King County, Seattle, Washington

Finding COVID: Testing in Ottawa County | 10:30 AM – 12:00 PM
This session will highlight the Ottawa County Department of Public Health’s collaboration with the community partners to increase COVID-19 testing availability to county residents. This presentation will provide an insight into the successes and challenges of testing the county experienced as we navigated through the continually evolving pandemic.

SPEAKER(S):
Jennifer D. Sorek, MA, MEP – Emergency Preparedness Manager, Ottawa County Department of Public Health, Holland, MI, Michigan
Derick Chia, BSc., MPH – Epidemiologist, Ottawa County Department of Public Health, Holland, Michigan

**Infectious Disease - A Security Threat: The Role Of Public Health Emergency Management In Biodefense | 10:30 AM – 12:00 PM**

*Track 5: Strengthening Global Health Security.*

The presentation will investigate the applicability of PHEM principles to the biodefense structure and the implications of framing infectious disease as a security threat. Participants will investigate the role of PHEM preparedness principles in creating a more biodefended world, building upon the lessons learned during COVID-19.

SPEAKER(S):
Ryan S. Houser, MPH, MS, EMPS, NREMT – Emergency Management Specialist, Tetra Tech, Morristown, New Jersey

**Informing Actions on Public Health Threats through Fusion Center Partnerships | 10:30 AM – 12:00 PM**

*Track 3: Ensuring Situational Awareness to Support Decision-Making.*

Sharing relevant threat information with health officials is still a challenge for fusion centers, even after years of work to increase collaboration. This session will highlight ways that fusion center health analysts bridge the gaps in information sharing between law enforcement and health, emphasizing the benefits throughout the COVID pandemic.

SPEAKER(S):
Jarad Modaber, NREMT-P – Emergency Services, Health, and WMD Intelligence Analyst, Maryland Coordination and Analysis Center, Maryland
Jeffrey Backer, BS, MBA, MEP – Director, Planning and Operations Division, Pennsylvania Department of Health, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania
MODERATOR:

Inter-agency collaboration to share expertise and guide the Long-term Care response to Covid-19 | 10:30 AM – 12:00 PM

Track 1: Building and Sustaining Resilient Communities.
The National Emerging Special Pathogen Training and Education Center (NETEC) partnered with the Nebraska Infection Control Assessment and Promotion Program (ICAP) to rapidly expand the workforce and outreach responding to COVID-19 in long-term care communities. This session will provide details on this collaboration and share lessons learned.

SPEAKER(S):
Kate C. Boulter, BAN (HONS), RN, MPH – Nurse Manager, The Nebraska Biocontainment Unit, Nebraska Medicine, Bellevue, Nebraska
Laura Kate Tyner, BSN, RN, CIC – Infection Prevention Supervisor, Nebraska Medicine, Nebraska ICAP, BELLEVUE, Nebraska
Heidi J. Keeler, PhD, RN – Faculty, Metrics Lead for NETEC, University of Nebraska Medical Center, Omaha, Nebraska

MODERATOR:
Angela M. Vasa, MSN, RN – Director, Isolation and Quarantine Services, Nebraska Medicine; National Emerging Special Pathogens Training and Education Center (NETEC), OMAHA, Nebraska

Long Term Care Mutual Aid Planning - LTC helping LTC when they need help the most | 10:30 AM – 12:00 PM

Track 1: Building and Sustaining Resilient Communities.
The Connecticut Long Term Care Mutual Aid Plan (LTC-MAP), is nursing homes and assisted living helping each other during events large and small. For over 15 yrs and hundreds of activations, including the COVID-19 Pandemic, CT LTC MAP has established itself as a premier solution of LTC planning and response.

SPEAKER(S):
Andrew McGuire, CEM – Lead Emergency Management Consultant, Jensen Hughes
Barbara Cass, RN – CT DPH Chief, Healthcare Quality & Safety Branch, CT Department of Health

Organizations Learning, Re-learning and Un-learning from Public Health Disasters | 10:30 AM – 12:00 PM

This session provides an overview of learning from crises and presents cases from the Covid-19 pandemic response, water contamination events, and natural disasters. These cases show how organizational learning may help organizations and communities prevent the repetition of a similar crisis, plan and respond more effectively.

SPEAKER(S):
Matthew W. Seeger, Ph.D. – Professor and Dean, Wayne State University, Detroit, Michigan
Shawn McElmurry, Ph.D. – Professor and Dean, Wayne State University, Detroit, Michigan
Paul E. Kilgore, MA, MPH – Associate Professor, Wayne State University, Detroit, Michigan
Marc Zervos, MD – Associate Dean, Wayne State University

There and Back Again: Adapting COVID-19 Alternate Care Tactics to Post-Hurricane Medical Sheltering | 10:30 AM – 12:00 PM


Struck in by coinciding COVID-19 surges and a devastating category four hurricane, the Louisiana Department of Health adopted a novel sheltering approach to directly support medically vulnerable populations and healthcare infrastructure. This session relays this approach, its origins, and findings from retrospective chart reviews of these missions.

SPEAKER(S):
Jacob A. Hurwitz, n/a – Preparedness Consultant, Louisiana Department of Health, New Orleans, Louisiana
Meghan Maslanka, MD – Associate Professor of Emergency Medicine; Associate Director of EMS and Disaster Medicine, LSU Spirit of Charity Emergency Medicine Residency Program, New Orleans, Louisiana
Weathering the Storm: COVID-19 Vaccine Outreach in Climate Catastrophe | 10:30 AM – 12:00 PM

Track 1: Building and Sustaining Resilient Communities.
Conference program.

SPEAKER(S):
Morgan N. Moone, JD, MPH – Senior Program Coordinator, Louisiana Public Health Institute, New Orleans, Louisiana
Tiffany Jeanminette, MPA, PMP – Director, Policy and Equity, Louisiana Public Health Institute, Youngsville, Louisiana
Broderick Bagert, BA, MPhil, MS – Lead Organizer, Together Louisiana

Being a COVID-19 Communications Champion: Innovating Messaging and Partnerships in Real Time | 1:30 PM – 3:00 PM

The pandemic provided an opportunity to enhance communications and partnerships in real time as information changed. We can apply these lessons to other emergencies. This session follows four case studies: mAB treatments in El Centro, CA, and Tucson, AZ, mass vaccinations in NV, and medical surge support in LA.

SPEAKER(S):
Peter T. Cassell, PAO – Public Affairs Specialist, HHS Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response, Washington, DC, District of Columbia

FENTANYL CONTAMINATION, EXPOSURE, DETECTION, RISK AND DECONTAMINATION | 1:30 PM – 3:00 PM

Illicit fentanyl activities that result in contamination of areas continue to increase, creating exposure risks. This presentation and hands-on demonstration will inform public health practitioners and other Federal, State, and Local agencies on means
to sample for, decontaminate, and clear for re-occupancy of fentanyl contaminated environments.

SPEAKER(S):

MODERATOR:
Sarah C. Taft, Ph.D. – Associate Director, US EPA, Office of Research and Development, Cincinnati, Ohio

Improvement Planning to Enhance Inclusive Preparedness in States and Territories | 1:30 PM – 3:00 PM

This session will provide practical strategies for creating an improvement plan to support disability inclusion in emergency preparedness. Participants will benefit from lessons learned from an existing program’s improvement planning process.

SPEAKER(S):
Haley Burrous, MPH – Senior Analyst, Preparedness and Disability Data, ASTHO, Washington, District of Columbia
Cassandra Thompson, MPH – Director, Preparedness and Disability Integration, ASTHO
Adrianna Evans, MPH – Senior Analyst, Preparedness and Disability Integration, ASTHO, Arlington, Virginia

Local Health Department Planning, Logistics, and Operations for COVID-19 Response | 1:30 PM – 3:00 PM

Explore innovative solutions for complex incident command, logistical, and operational issues to implement an effective local health department COVID-19 response that attracted the attention of HHS and CDC, including testing up to 1,000 people and vaccinating over 2,500 people per day with 15 - 30 minute through-puts while minimizing errors.

SPEAKER(S):
Partners in Health Preparedness: "All for one, one for all" | 1:30 PM – 3:00 PM

COVID-19 response has proven that Public Safety (Fire and Police), Public Health, Healthcare and our Fusion Centers must work together.

SPEAKER(S):
David Leineweber, RN/TLO – Public Health Programs Manager, Phoenix Fire Department and ACTIC, Phoenix, Arizona
David Moffitt, Captain – EMS/HDB, Phoenix Fire Department/ACTIC, Phoenix, Arizona

Public Health's Role in Mass Fatalities - Lessons Learned From the COVID 19 Pandemic | 1:30 PM – 3:00 PM

The pandemic demonstrated the need to take a new look at mass fatality management and Public Health’s role as the lead agency for that function. This presentation examines mass fatality management and highlights gaps in planning that use traditional roles for leadership and make recommendations for revising mass fatality plans.

SPEAKER(S):
Dee Grimm, RN, JD – President/CEO, Tenebo Enterprises and Consulting, Saint Hedwig, Texas
The Power of Partnerships: A Regional Approach to Responding to the COVID-19 Pandemic | 1:30 PM – 3:00 PM

Leveraging existing relationships was critical in the success of the southern Nevada region’s response to the COVID pandemic. With a tourism-based economy, the region has seen many challenges to keep our economy moving while also tackling unique issues that a tourist mecca are challenged with.

SPEAKER(S):
Misty M. Robinson, MA – Public Health Preparedness Supervisor, Southern Nevada Health District, Las Vegas, Nevada
Karen Donnahie, RN, MHA – Coalition Clinical Advisor, Southern Nevada Healthcare Care Coalition
Billy Samuels, MS – Assistant Fire Chief, Clark County Fire Department

Working with Businesses, Institutions, and Local Governments in a Pandemic Response | 1:30 PM – 3:00 PM

In response to COVID-19, local public health needed to quickly connect, communicate, and build trust with many nontraditional partners and stakeholders – requiring the repurposing of staff and the hiring of temporary staff, all tasked with building the infrastructure for this work to inform and assist within frequently changing landscapes.

SPEAKER(S):
Mellissa Sager, JD – Policy and Public Affairs Officer, Tri-County Health Department, Greenwood Village, Colorado
Jennifer Tellis, MPH – Community Workplace Policy Coordinator, Tri-County Health Department, Westminster, Colorado
Samantha Decker, BS – School Health Policy and Prevention Coordinator, Tri-County Health Department

Where is everyone? A peer-to-peer dialogue about workforce retention during the pandemic | 1:30 PM – 3:00 PM

This workshop takes the format of a peer-to-peer moderated discussion between you, your peers from around the nation, and federal disaster recovery specialists,
as you share successes, challenges, and opportunities about recruiting and retaining the public health workforce during the COVID-19 pandemic.

SPEAKER(S):
Kandra Strauss-Riggs, MPH – Senior Advisor, HHS ASPR, Washington, District of Columbia

MODERATOR:
Suzanne Everson, MPA – Team Lead, Recovery Coordination, Regions 8 & 10, Health & Social Services Recovery Support Function, HHS ASPR

Building a Culture of Resilience: Organizational Lessons Learned During a Global Pandemic | 1:30 PM – 5:00 PM

This workshop will focus on enhancing an organization’s culture of resilience through strategies and lessons learned over the past two years. Participants will explore innovative organizational approaches including the targeted application of a primary intervention (Psychological First Aid) to improve overall workforce wellbeing across sectors.

SPEAKER(S):
Rachel Kaul, LCSW, CTS – Senior Program Analyst and Behavioral Health Lead, HHS/ASPR/DCMR, Washington, District of Columbia
CAPT Michael King, PhD, MSW, CAPT (USPHS) – SAMHSA Region IV Administrator, SAMHSA/OIEA, Atlanta, Georgia
Kayla Siviy, MSW – Behavioral Health Program Analyst, HHS/ASPR/DCMR, Rockville, Maryland

Community Disaster Financial Literacy: Building Resilient Communities | 1:30 PM – 5:00 PM

Framed in the COVID-19 context, this instructor-led workshop presents information on how communities can plan for economic recovery after a disaster. The course introduces lessons learned from recent disasters and provides an overview of available resources for disaster planning. Participants receive a FEMA Training Certificate upon completion.

SPEAKER(S):
Joshua DeVincenzo, M.Ed. – Sr. Instructional Designer, National Center for Disaster Preparedness, Columbia University, NEW YORK, New York
Community Resilience through Agency Inclusive Disaster Preparedness Planning | 1:30 PM – 5:00 PM

Community resilience and the requisite health and social equity requires local public and private entities to individually ensure internal inclusive and accessible policies, plans and procedures developed in conjunction with the disabled community through culture, strategy and expertise in advance of disasters.

SPEAKER(S):
Dawn Skaggs, N/A, MA – Emergency Disaster and Climate Resilience Specialist, World Institute on Disability, San Antonio, Texas
Marcie Roth, BA – Executive Director and Chief Executive Officer, World Institute on Disability, Berkley, California

Empathic Communication in Public Health: Preparing for Difficult Conversations | 1:30 PM – 5:00 PM

Empathy is critical for effective public-health response, building trust and mitigating burnout. With rising public health pressures, expressing empathy can be challenging, especially in response to high emotion. This workshop prepares learners to respond with empathy to emotionally charged situations that commonly arise in public health practice.

SPEAKER(S):
Laura G. Meyer, M.S.W. – Program Manager of Training & Team Development, Arizona State University COVID-19 Case Investigation Unit, Boulder, Colorado
Katherine C. Hobbs, R.N., M.P.H. – Communicable Disease Nurse Lead, Maricopa County Department of Public Health, Arizona

MODERATOR:
Megan Jehn, Ph.D., M.S.H – Associate Professor, Arizona State University School of Human Evolution & Change, Arizona

Psychological Recovery for Public Health Professionals during the COVID-19 Response | 1:30 PM – 5:00 PM
Track 1: Building and Sustaining Resilient Communities.

This hands-on workshop guides participants through exercises and activities to understand stress, strategies for coping and development of individual and organizational plan(s) to address psychological recovery. Participants will walk away with increased knowledge and skills to cope with mental health issues resulting from disaster response.

SPEAKER(S):
Sarah D. Matthews, MPH, MS, PhD – Consultant/Owner, Health Communications Consultants Inc., Winter Garden, Florida
Sandra Ruzycki, M.A. – Senior Administrative Consultant, Health Communications Consultants, Inc., Florida
Brittini Carter, LMHC – Licensed Mental Health Counselor, Carter Therapy, LLC, Florida

A roadmap to readiness: Validating a measurement scorecard for local and regional coalitions | 3:30 PM – 5:00 PM

This learning session will introduce participants to a measurement scorecard for local and regional collaboration for healthcare coalitions and provide interactive opportunities to provide feedback on and validated this new measurement tool.

SPEAKER(S):
Rachael Pitch-Loeb, PhD MSPH – Research Associate, Harvard University, Massachusetts

If You Include Them, They Will Come – A Story of Vaccine POD Inclusion | 3:30 PM – 5:00 PM

There are many stories resulting from COVID. We have seen how not taking the time to assure equitable and inclusive policy and practice in our planning is one of the greatest hindrances to progress. This session walks through lessons learned and key takeaways for future planning and successful operations.

SPEAKER(S):
Kurell O. Julien – Race to Justice Lead Trainer, City of New York Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, Long Island City, New York
Madeline Pierce, MPH – Field Operations Training Coordinator, City of New York Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, Queens, New York
Improving Shared Healthcare Situational Awareness Nationwide | 3:30 PM – 5:00 PM

Significant progress has been made on shared healthcare situational awareness. More work is needed to capitalize on lessons learned, and implement nationwide 'standards' for bi-directional information sharing in a protected and easy way. This working session will help to inform nationwide efforts to enhance health care shared situational awareness.

SPEAKER(S):
Brittney Seiler, MPA – Senior Advisor, ASPR/NHPP, Washington, District of Columbia
Sayeedha Uddin, MD, MPH – Chief Health Informatics Officer, ASPR

Including Cultural Competence in Response | 3:30 PM – 5:00 PM

Learn about strategies & initiatives that jurisdictions have utilized inclusion and cultural competence to make their COVID 19 response more effective for the whole community.

SPEAKER(S):
Therese L. Quinn, BA – Emergency Management Specialist, Snohomish Health District, Everett, Washington
Samantha Matthew

Latina/o/x Community Led, Community Driven Response: Reflections & Lessons Learned | 3:30 PM – 5:00 PM

San Francisco Department of Public Health partnered with leaders from the Latina/o/x community to develop a plan to address two community priorities:
containing the spread of COVID-19 and providing the care and wellness supports necessary to achieve a rapid community recovery – in its health, economic stability and overall well-being.

SPEAKER(S):
Isela Ford, MPA – Equity and Neighborhoods, Deputy Director, San Francisco Department of Public Health, San Francisco, California
Oscar Macias, MPH – Vaccine Branch / Health Equity & Neighborhoods Team Mission District Lead, San Francisco Department of Public Health, San Francisco, California
Celina Lucero, n/a – Executive Director, Horizons Unlimited of San Francisco, Inc. Executive

MODERATOR:
Jessica Medina, n/a – Community & Stakeholder Specialist, Department of Emergency Management, San Francisco, California

**Pediatric Disaster Preparedness: Strategies from the Local to Regional Level**
| 3:30 PM – 5:00 PM |

We will discuss steps healthcare organizations can take to enhance pediatric disaster readiness internally, locally, and regionally using examples drawn from the University of Iowa and the Region VII Disaster Health Response Ecosystem. Valuable resources for pediatric preparedness, surge planning, and disaster response will be shared.

SPEAKER(S):
Kari A. Wellnitz, MD – Clinical Assistant Professor, Div of Pediatric Critical Care Medicine, University of Iowa Stead Family Children's Hospital, Iowa City, Iowa
Kristel Wetjen, RN, MSN – Pediatric Trauma Program Manager, University of Iowa Stead Family Children's Hospital, Iowa City, Iowa
Carlyn Christensen-Szalanski, MD, FAAP – Clinical Associate Professor, Dept of Emergency Medicine, University of Iowa Stead Family Children's Hospital, Iowa City, Iowa

**Reaching Farmworker Communities during National Emergencies**
| 3:30 PM – 5:00 PM |
NCFH will demonstrate their farm labor data dashboard with use cases to support emergency preparedness planning for farmworker communities. Attendees will also be introduced to media and health communication strategies and tools/resources to reach farmworker communities, including Indigenous workers, during national emergencies and disasters.

SPEAKER(S):
Sarah Prager, MPH – Research and Evaluation Manager, National Center for Farmworker Health (NCFH), Buda, Texas
Gladys Carrillo, LCSW – Director of Program Services, National Center for Farmworker Health (NCFH), Buda, Texas

Reimagining the MRC in emergency preparedness in the time of COVID019, from fantasy to reality | 3:30 PM – 5:00 PM

Session will highlight the massive scaleup of volunteers and their deployment into the community and how “Medical” in Medical Reserve Corps is not necessarily the primary gift of MRC volunteers. Learn tips for rapid expansion of your volunteer program and how to find rewarding positions within a pandemic response.

SPEAKER(S):
June Vutrano, n/a – Volunteer Program, Staff, Phoenix, Arizona

Rural Resiliency and Recovery; Training Materials and Lessons Learned | 3:30 PM – 5:00 PM

Attendees will have the opportunity to see how DSHS implemented a program to help rural communities recover from disasters with a Public Health focus. The training materials guides communities through development of a recovery group. Planning, operations, to preparedness learn how rural communities can maximize ROI and improve health outcomes.

SPEAKER(S):
Russell M. Hopkins, n/a – Director, Northeast Texas Public Health District, Tyler, Texas
Melissa Oden, Dhed, LMSW-IPR, MPH CHES – CEO, Health Education Resources Network, Fort Worth, Texas
Understanding & Countering Mis/disinformation for Effective Public Health Campaigns | 3:30 PM – 5:00 PM

MITRE has developed the Health Information Persuasion Exploration (HIPE) framework, an evidence-based comprehensive approach that integrates real world data, health communication science, and evaluation techniques to effectively counter mis/disinformation that could negatively impact health decisions.

SPEAKER(S):
Denise Scannell, Ph.D. – Chief Scientist, Health Communication, The MITRE Corporation
Mike Fulk, n/a – Principal Computer Scientist, The MITRE Corporation
Emily Frye, JD – Director, Cyber Integration, The MITRE Corporation

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Allocation of scarce resources during a public health emergency: a data-driven approach | 8:30 AM – 10:00 AM

Effective resource allocation is an essential part of any emergency response. Public Health - Seattle & King County (PHSKC) developed an algorithm, procedures, and data visualizations to distribute scarce supplies equitably and efficiently. They are adaptable to all types of resource requests, and could be utilized by other jurisdictions.

SPEAKER(S):
Daniel Casey, n/a – Epidemiologist, PHSKC
Audrey Hu, n/a – Project/Program Manager, PHSKC
Mariko Toyoji, n/a – Epidemiologist, PHSKC
Alicia Brown, n/a – Solutions Architect, King County

Building a Better Medical Reserve Corps Program: Engaging Your Community and Volunteers | 8:30 AM – 10:00 AM

The Medical Reserve Corps offers a suite of digital tools to help you connect with your community and engage volunteers. Learn about promising practices and our
suite of free digital tools that your MRC unit can use to improve recruitment, collaborate with your community, showcase your volunteers’ work, and more.

SPEAKER(S):
Elizabeth Jarrett, n/a – Public Affairs Specialist, HHS Office of the Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response, Washington, District of Columbia

**Building Community Resilience through Maternal Child Health and Emergency Preparedness Collaboration | 8:30 AM – 10:00 AM**

This session will highlight the work of selected LHDs to increase their capacity to address future public health threats that impact pregnant people and infants collaboratively. Two LHDs will present their best practices to encourage other LHDs to incorporate a collaborative effort between MCH and EPR departments.

SPEAKER(S):
Hitomi Abe, MPH – Program Analyst, NACCHO, Washington, DC, District of Columbia

MODERATOR:
Emily Boyle, MS – Senior Program Analyst, NACCHO

**Emergency Management’s Role in Public Health | 8:30 AM – 10:00 AM**

Sessions will cover the role of Emergency Management in Public Health and how two areas are needed to respond to the COVID-19 Pandemic successfully.

SPEAKER(S):
Jeffery choate, CEM – Deputy EMC, Mont Belvieu Fire Dept, Mont Belvieu, Texas

**Engaging Local Health Departments to Enrich Wastewater Surveillance Efforts for Monitoring COVID-19 | 8:30 AM – 10:00 AM**

During this session, attendees will learn about the role of local public health in wastewater surveillance, effective collaboration with wastewater utilities, the capacity-building and coordination role of NWSS, and hear lessons learned from jurisdictions which have successfully implemented SARS-CoV-2 wastewater surveillance in their communities.
**Evolving EM: Emergency Management's Role in COVID-19 and the Next Pandemic | 8:30 AM – 10:00 AM**

Emergency management agencies had key roles during the COVID-19 pandemic. These roles are indicative of the discipline's evolving mission. This presentation will detail emergency managers' roles during COVID-19, examine emerging doctrine, and provide discussion points regarding emergency management’s mission in future public health emergencies.

**SPEAKER(S):**
Chas Eby, MA – Deputy Executive Director, Maryland Department of Emergency Management, Reisterstown, Maryland

**Incorporating Essential Pediatric Considerations into Every Hospital’s Disaster Policies | 8:30 AM – 10:00 AM**

This session will provide an overview of the 2021 revision of the “Checklist of Essential Pediatric Domains and Considerations for Every Hospital's Disaster Preparedness Policies,” and will demonstrate how it can be used to assist all hospitals with incorporating pediatric considerations into their disaster policies.

**SPEAKER(S):**
Sarita Chung, MD, FAAP – Director, Disaster Preparedness, Division of Emergency Medicine Boston Children’s Hospital, Boston Children’s Hospital, Boston, Massachusetts
Jeff Barrett, MD, MPH – Attending Physician, Pediatric Emergency Medicine / Assistant Professor of Pediatrics / Emergency Med, : Children’s Hospital at Montefiore / Albert Einstein College of Medicine / EMS for Children Innovation and Improvement Center, New York, New York
Meredith R. Rodriguez, PhD – Senior Project Manager, Emergency Medical Services for Children Innovation and Improvement Center, Austin, Texas
Integrating Maternal and Child Health Considerations in Emergency Preparedness and Response Planning | 8:30 AM – 10:00 AM

Climate change, disasters, COVID-19 pandemic, and domestic and foreign terrorism have heightened awareness for emergency preparedness and response (EPR) within the larger maternal and child health (MCH) community. This session will discuss emerging MCH threats and risks, and identify facilitators and barriers for embedding MCH needs into EPR plans.

SPEAKER(S):

Lessons Learned in Procuring Critical Health Care Supplies During the COVID-19 Pandemic | 8:30 AM – 10:00 AM

Established relationships between North Carolina EM and Public Health allowed for the timely creation of a health care supplies task force addressing critical resource shortages. Best practices and lessons learned from this collaborative model can be applied in future response efforts when the procurement of specialized resources is needed.

SPEAKER(S):
Paul F. Farris, n/a – Industrial Hygiene Consultant, North Carolina Division of Public Health, Raleigh, North Carolina
Keith Rowland, REHS – Industrial Hygiene Consultant, North Carolina Division of Public Health, Asheville, North Carolina
Aaron McGwen, n/a – Industrial Hygiene Consultant, North Carolina Division of Public Health, Charlotte, North Carolina

Lessons Learned re: Human-Centered Design in Emergency Public Health Response | 8:30 AM – 10:00 AM

Learn how IDEO.org and National Resource Center for Refugees, Immigrants, and Migrants (NRC-RIM) developed community-driven vaccine confidence messaging for RIM communities across the country, and reflections on how these efforts could inform future emergency public health response.
Navajo Area Indian Health Service: A Comprehensive look at the COVID-19 Response Efforts | 8:30 AM – 10:00 AM

This session will review the efforts of the Navajo Area Indian Health Service from a clinical, epidemiological, pharmacy and emergency management perspective within a rural setting responding to COVID-19 and the transitions made to support 11 IHS federal healthcare facilities on the Navajo Nation.

SPEAKER(S):
Sherri Helton, CEM, MEP – Emergency Manager, Navajo Area Indian Health Service, Window Rock, Arizona
Shawnell Damon, MPH, MSc – NAO Public Health Director, Indian Health Service, Tucson, Arizona
Erica Harker, Doctor of Pharmacy – Navajo Area Pharmacist Consultant, Indian Health Service, Window Rock, Arizona

Operation Allies Welcome: Two Days to Plan for the Arrival of 25,000 Afghan Refugees | 8:30 AM – 10:00 AM

Operation Welcome Allies brought approximately 25,000 American repatriates and Afghan refugees seeking asylum through Philadelphia International Airport from war-torn Afghanistan, ultimately to be resettled across the U.S.. PDPH activated initial COVID testing, medical triage & COVID vaccination, with two days warning. The pandemic helped!

SPEAKER(S):
Rhona H. Cooper, MSN, MA, RN – Clinical Coordinator Public Health Preparedness, Philadelphia Department of Public Health, Division of Disease Control, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
Alyssa Jacobsen, MA – Workforce Manager, Philadelphia Department of Public Health, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
Alexandra Skula, MPH – Policy, Planning and Evaluation Manager, Public Health Preparedness, Philadelphia Department of Public Health, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

MODERATOR:

**Pivoting to Action: How the NYC DOHMH shifted its engagement platform for the COVID-19 response | 8:30 AM – 10:00 AM**

This demonstration will outline the platform’s functionality, provide a hands-on overview of the platform including ERG’s workflow, and discuss considerations for future implementations.

SPEAKER(S):
Stephen Cormier, MPH – Deputy Director, NYC Condom Availability Program, NYC Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, Long Island City, New York
Alyssa Creighton, MPH – Director of Community Engagement, Outreach & Partnerships, NYC Department of Health and Mental Hygiene
April Koehler, BA – Healthcare Systems Support Branch Data Specialist, NYC Department of Health and Mental Hygiene

MODERATOR:
Jay S. Bala, MPH – Director of Strategic Data Initiatives, NYC Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, Long Island City, New York

**Planning and Making Assessments of Public Health Response Capacity SimPLER: A CDC Simulation Program | 8:30 AM – 10:00 AM**

Simulation Program for Leveraging and Evaluating Resources(SimPLER), designed by CDC and partners including state and local health departments, provides free simulation planning tools for a variety of public health threats. This session unveils platform updates and graphical expected outcomes based on user’s plans that enables quick decision-making.

SPEAKER(S):
Lauren Finklea, MS,BS – Nuclear Engineer, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, ATLANTA, Georgia
Robert Garcia, MPH, MSW – Lead Health Education Specialist, Division of State and Local Readiness, CDC, Atlanta, Georgia

Public Health professionals running an Isolation hotel in the midst of the pandemic & refugee crisis | 8:30 AM – 10:00 AM

Responding to some of the highest infection rates in the world, Maricopa County Public Health identified thousands of COVID positive people living in multi-generational homes and unable to isolate safely. This session explains inception and operation of a 130-room isolation hotel and the wrap-around services required to support it.

SPEAKER(S):
Kip M. Schlum, MA – Planning Supervisor, Maricopa County Department of Public Health, Phoenix, Arizona
Urvi Pandit, DO, MPH, MBS – Medical Epidemiologist, Maricopa County Department of Public Health, Phoenix, Arizona

MODERATOR:
Tonja Watson, BS – Emergency Planning Specialist, Maricopa County Department of Public Health, Phoenix, Arizona

The Impacts of Technology on MRC Units Ability to Onboard, Outreach, and Activate Volunteers | 8:30 AM – 10:00 AM

The Medical Reserve Corps saw a noticeable increase in the use of technology via social media, text, email, volunteer management systems, etc. to recruit, activate, train, and deploy volunteers. This abstract will seek to understand the impacts and implications of this expansion on MRC unit's ability to deploy volunteers.

SPEAKER(S):
June Vutrano, n/a – MRC Unit Leader, Maricopa County MRC
Sherwin M. Levinson, GA-CEM – Executive Director, MRC GEM, Nonprofit MRC serving Georgia's Gwinnett, Newton, and Rockdale counties, Dacula, Georgia

The Role of Maternal and Child Health in State and Territorial Level Pandemic Response Efforts | 8:30 AM – 10:00 AM
This session will discuss efforts to understand barriers surrounding maternal and child health integration into state and territorial preparedness and response activities. Presenters will highlight promising practices to address policy-based factors that support effective integration between maternal and child health, preparedness, and response.

**SPEAKER(S):**
Ramya Dronamraju, MPH – Director, Maternal and Infant Health, ASTHO
Regina Hawkins, MPH – Director, Preparedness and Radiation Readiness, ASTHO, Alexandria, Virginia

**The Role of Public Health in Health Care Coalitions & Medical Surge Incidents | 8:30 AM – 10:00 AM**

This session will identify public health functions and roles in medical surge incidents, provide local strategies & key resources, discuss lessons learned and recommendations and describe the importance of collaboration between public health, healthcare, and emergency management to plan and respond to health care coalitions/medical surge incidents.

**SPEAKER(S):**
Julie Cobb, Registered Nurse – Public Health Nurse/Jefferson County Healthcare Coalition Coordinator, Jefferson County Department of Health, South Birmingham, Alabama
Michael Melton, Master Exercise Practitioner (MEP) – Emergency Logistics Coordinator, Los Angeles County Department of Public Health, L.A., CA, California
Lynn Royer, Registered Nurse – Public Health and EMS Healthcare Coalition Coordinator, Central Iowa Healthcare Coalition, Adel, Iowa

**MODERATOR:**
Lean S. Abdelaziz, n/a – Program Analyst, NACCHO, Washington, District of Columbia

**Universal Design in Public Health, A Path to Health Equity in Disasters | 8:30 AM – 10:00 AM**

Applying universal design and accessibility across public health programs to reduce the disaster impact on people with disabilities by addressing public health programmatic barriers, providing strategies for improving assistance, applying
modifications or accommodations, and using tools to leverage untapped resources of the disability community.

SPEAKER(S):
Dawn Skaggs, N/A, MA – Emergency Disaster and Climate Resilience Specialist, World Institute on Disability, San Antonio, Texas
Katherine Sanches, MPH, DrPH – Program Specialist, BCFS Health and Human Services Emergency Management Division, San Antonio, Texas

Medical Reserve Corps: Current Path to a Future State | 8:30 AM – 10:00 AM

Understand how local Medical Reserve Corps units and their volunteers are committed to supporting and improving preparedness and response activities in local communities while looking ahead to the future.

SPEAKER(S):
Esmeralda Pereira, MSPH – MRC Director, MRC, Washington, District of Columbia

Information in Transition: A Phased Approach to Redesigning a Public Health Website Mid-Pandemic | 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM

Changes to guidance and public information messaging have evolved rapidly during the COVID-19 response. The Philadelphia Department of Public Health maintains a disease control website to communicate critical updates to providers and partners. This session will discuss how staff established priorities in redesigning their website mid-pandemic.

SPEAKER(S):
Lucas Hackenburg, M.A. – Communications Specialist, Philadelphia Department of Public Health, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
Brandon Horvath, MPH, CHES – Health Communications Manager, Philadelphia Department of Public Health, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Innovative GIS Applications in Public Health Emergency Preparedness | 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM
Incorporating GIS in the public health emergency response framework has proven to enhance preparedness and response strategies using data-driven tools for stakeholders. This session will provide a high-level overview of how GIS can utilize foundational data sets, tools, and models to support public health preparedness and response.

SPEAKER(S):
Jonnell C. Sanciangco, MSc, GISP – GIS Manager, Maximus, Falls Church, Virginia
Nomana Khan, MBBS, MPH – Senior Director, Maximus, Atlanta, Georgia

**Innovative missions for Medical Reserve Corps volunteers in support of COVID-19 pandemic response | 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM**

Medical Reserve Corps volunteers can assist strained health departments during a pandemic in innovative ways. Examples include transportation of COVID-19 specimens to the Public Health lab; daily monitoring for Non-Congregate Care Sheltering clients; screening for clients entering public health facilities; and assembling supplies for vaccine kits.

SPEAKER(S):
Mark Hendrix, MPH – SC DHEC Regional Director of Preparedness - Pee Dee Region, SC Department of Health and Environmental Control, Florence, South Carolina
Stefanie Roy, n/a – PHP Program Assistant and Volunteer Coordinator, SC Department of Health and Environmental Control, Moncks Corner, South Carolina
MODERATOR:
Ruth J. Latour, n/a – Emergency Preparedness Coordinator, SC DHEC, Sumter, South Carolina
Karen Beiger

**Inter-professional Response for Covid-19 Mass Vaccination in Nassau County, Florida | 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM**

SPEAKER(S):
Christa Kornoski, MPH, CPH – Medical Reserve Corps Unit Coordinator, Nassau County Emergency Management, Yulee, Florida
Japan Ministry of Health, Labor and Welfare (MHLW) Liaison to HHS/ASPR | 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM

Japan Ministry of Health, Labor and Welfare (MHLW) has been deploying Liaisons to U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) since 2016 to strengthen collaboration on bilateral health security policy issues. During this session, MHLW Liaison will present current collaboration efforts between HHS and MHLW.

SPEAKER(S):
Yukimasa Matsuzawa, MD, PhD – MHLW Liaison to HHS/ASPR, Japan Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare Japan (MHLW), Arlington, Virginia
Yoshiteru Yano, MD, PhD – Deputy Director, Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare (MHLW) Japan
Jun Sugihara, MD, MPH – Principal Deputy Director, Japan Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare Japan (MHLW)

Learning from grass-root science communication initiatives through a WHO webinar series | 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM

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SPEAKER(S):
Judith van Holten, n/a – Technical Officer, Global Infectious Hazard Preparedness Department WHO Health Emergencies Programme, Genève, Geneve, Switzerland

Leveraging relationships to allocate finite resources within a health equity lens | 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM

DuPage County adopted a decentralized mass vaccination model that relied heavily on leveraging relationships with healthcare and community leaders. This session will discuss tips and lessons learned on how to allocate finite resources equitably through the leveraging of these relationships and the adherence to a health equity framework

SPEAKER(S):
Linking Resources to Respond through Education The PRDOH Emergency Preparedness Academy Experience | 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM

The learning session will expose participants to an experience on how capacity building among interdisciplinary teams can change the way to prepare for public health emergencies, responding to needs, taking in consideration inclusiveness, and maximizing resources.

SPEAKER(S):
Beatriz Quinones- Vallejo, EdD, MPHE, MPR, CHES, APR – ASTHO Disability and Preparedness Specialist for Puerto Rico, ASTHO/ PR Department of Health, San Juan, Puerto Rico

Live, Agile, and Integrated Emergency Preparedness Inventory: Is It Truly There If No One Knows It? | 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM

In order to activate PODs (Points of Dispensing) efficiently and effectively during a public health emergency, St. Louis County Department of Public Health Emergency Preparedness reconfigured their supply storage and inventory management. For this purpose, the 5S framework was used to achieve a current, evidenced-based, and accessible inventory.

SPEAKER(S):
Heather A. Strahler – Public Health Coordinator, St. Louis County Department of Public Health, Berkley, Missouri

Maximizing the use of volunteers for a mass vaccination clinic: the Northeast Texas approach | 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM

This abstract focuses on the logistical and operational requirements of a mass vaccination clinic that was activated on short notice and which was sustained by both the core public health workforce and community members, including retired physicians and nurses, students, and others who came together for a successful operation.

SPEAKER(S):
Dusty Gonzalez – Asst. Dir. Of Operations, PHEP/Grants Manager, Northeast Texas Public Health District (NET Health), Tyler, Texas
Methodological and Operational Challenges of the Maricopa County SARS-CoV-2 Seroprevalence Study | 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM

Participants will be introduced to the Community Health Assessment for Emergency Response (CASPER) survey as an epidemiological tool and will learn about the planning, operations, and logistics for Fall 2020 Maricopa County CASPER COVID-19 serosurvey how the results of this initiative shaped public health programs during the COVID-19 pandemic.

SPEAKER(S):
Urvashi Pandit, DO, MPH, MBS – Medical Epidemiologist, Maricopa County Department of Public Health, Phoenix, Arizona
Megan Jehn, Ph.D., M.S.H – Associate Professor, Arizona State University School of Human Evolution & Change, Arizona
Susanna Sabin, PhD – Postdoctoral Researcher, Arizona State University

MODERATOR:
Katie Turnbow, MBA – Program Manager, Maricopa County Department of Public Health, Phoenix, Arizona

My Frozen Valentine - The Texas Winter Storm 2021 | 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM

The February 2021 Texas winter storm crippled the nation's second-largest state. Initial impacts to travel caused by freezing temperature were overshadowed by effects on water supply and massive power outages. An overview and lessons learned in healthcare, both on-site and in the new work-from-home environment, will be presented.

SPEAKER(S):
Marian Von Maszewski, MD – Emergency Readiness Officer, MD Anderson Cancer Center, Houston, Texas
Angela Cone, MBA – Emergency Readiness Specialist, MD Anderson Cancer Center, Spring, Texas
National Data-driven Multi-agent Models for Real-time Pandemic Science | 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM

Data-driven agent-based models have played an important role during the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. In this session, our team from University of Virginia will present the experience in developing national agent-based models to support federal and state officials as they responded to the pandemic.

SPEAKER(S):
Jiangzhuo Chen, PhD – Research Associate Professor, Biocomplexity Institute, UVA, Charlottesville, Virginia
Madhav Marathe, PhD – Division Director, Distinguished Professor in Biocomplexity, Professor of Computer Science, Biocomplexity Institute, UVA, Charlottesville, Virginia
Bryan Lewis, PhD – Research Associate Professor, Biocomplexity Institute, UVA, Charlottesville, Virginia

MODERATOR:
Erin Raymond, n/a – Project Associate, Biocomplexity Institute, University of Virginia, Charlottesville, Virginia

NYC COVID-19 Vaccination Points of Dispensing (PODs) Operational Challenges and Lessons Learned | 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM

This session will review how the NYC Health Department adapted COVID-19 vaccination POD operations to a rapidly-changing policy environment, and how the experience raises the need for approaches to emergency planning that incorporate flexibility and contingency plans based on the realities of unforeseen state and local policy decisions.

SPEAKER(S):
David T. Starr, MIA – Assistant Commissioner, Emergency Field Operations, NYC Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, Long Island City, New York
Jessica Barcellona, MPH – Director, Emergency Field Operations Planning and Training, NYC Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, Long Island City, New York

Planning to Reduce the Health Effects of Extreme Heat: An Evaluation of Plans in Local Jurisdictions | 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM
Heat action plans are one way that local jurisdictional public health and emergency management agencies respond to days or periods of extreme heat. This study identified common strategies in plans for heat preparedness and response as well as factors that jurisdictions have identified specific to their local contexts.

SPEAKER(S):
Juliette Randazza, n/a – Student, University of Washington, Seattle, Washington

**Point of Dispensing Just in Time Training Training Manual | 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM**

Learn about the Point of Dispensing Just in Time Training (JITT) Training Manual and how to use it to ensure consistent JITT across your jurisdiction. The JITT Training Manual is for use by trainers delivering JITT at Points of Dispensing (PODs) that centers around the use of a checklist.

SPEAKER(S):
Caity Hager, MPH – Emergency Management Coordinator, Maine CRI / City of Portland, Portland, Maine

**PREPARE: Building a Research Community for the Next Pandemic | 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM**

PREPARE is a NSF-funded virtual organization committed to fostering collaborations, providing links to resources, and creating a research roadmap that identifies multidisciplinary research directions that need to be pursued to prepare ourselves for and recover from future pandemics.

SPEAKER(S):
Erin Raymond, n/a – Project Associate, Biocomplexity Institute, University of Virginia, Charlottesville, Virginia
Madhav Marathe, PhD – Division Director, Distinguished Professor in Biocomplexity, Professor of Computer Science, Biocomplexity Institute, UVA, Charlottesville, Virginia

**Public Health and Clinical Laboratory Response to Melioidosis Cases in the United States | 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM**
This poster provides an overview of the 2021 Melioidosis cases in the US and the instrumental role the LRN plays in preparing for and responding to public health emergencies. It highlights the capabilities of LRN member laboratories and how they work concomitantly with the CDC in responding to biological threats.

SPEAKER(S):
Rana Rahmat, MPH – Specialist, Laboratory Response Network, Association of Public Health Laboratories, Silver Spring, Maryland

Public Health Emergency Response Readiness: The Foundational Role of a Data Ecosystem Framework | 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM

This session introduces the foundational role of an ecosystem framework to improve data readiness for public health emergency response. Harnessing the full potential of an ecosystem requires a shift in data culture to transform how CDC/STLT gather, store, prepare, and analyze data for reporting and forecasting during public health emergencies.

SPEAKER(S):
Samantha Lie-Tjauw, MPH, MBA – Senior Research Scientist, Georgia Tech Research Institute, Atlanta, Georgia
Mimi Kothari, MS, MS – Health Scientist, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Atlanta, Georgia

MODERATOR:
Joanne Andreadis, PhD – Associate Director for Science and Senior Advisor for Laboratory Preparedness, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Atlanta, Georgia

Public Health Liaisons, A Regional Approach to Public Health Equity During the COVID-19 Response | 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM

Maricopa County Public Health’s commitment to an equitable COVID-19 response as the 3rd largest health jurisdiction in the USA was a complex undertaking but made possible through county regionalization and the development of the Public Health Liaison network to better serve the diverse ethnic, socioeconomic, and geographic needs of residents.

SPEAKER(S):
Lilliana D. Cardenas, AM – Manager, Office of Community Empowerment, Maricopa County Department of Public Health, Phoenix, Arizona
Alexandra Oropeza, MNLM – Public Health Liaison Southwest Maricopa, Maricopa County Department of Public Health, Tolleson, Arizona

Randolph Massachusetts Drive Thru Emergency Dispensing Site | 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM

SPEAKER(S):
Thaleia I. Stampoulidou-Rocha, BSPH, MPH, CNA – Health Officer and Epidemiologist, Randolph Public Health Department, Bridgewater, Massachusetts
Gerard F. Cody, REHS/RS – Public Health Commissioner, Town of Randolph Public Health Department

Rapid COVID-19 Testing Combined with Onsite Case Investigation in an Under-Resourced Area of Utah | 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM

The objective of this project is to decrease SARS CoV-2 infections in an under-resourced area of Salt Lake County, UT, by offering free Abott BinaxNOW™ COVID-19 Ag Card antigen test at a drive-through site as well as on-site case investigation (CI).

SPEAKER(S):
Karsten Gillwald, MHA, MPH – COOP Coordinator, Utah Public Health Lab, Salt Lake City, Utah

Real-time Interactive Dashboards for Surveillance and Decision Support for Pandemic Response | 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM

Real-time data driven dashboards can provide citizens and policy makers important information during an evolving pandemic. Our team from UVA will showcase some of the dashboards developed during COVID-19 used by state and local authorities for pandemic response, and by citizens as evidenced by the web traffic metrics.

SPEAKER(S):
Rebuilding the Public Health Workforce in Puerto Rico and the US Virgin Islands Following Hurricanes | 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM

Following hurricanes Harvey, Irma and Maria in 2017, APHL assisted Puerto Rico and the US Virgin Islands in rebuilding their public health workforce. This poster will discuss the importance of sustaining a skilled workforce before, during and after public health emergencies to ensure rapid response operations.

SPEAKER(S):
Jill Sutton, BS – Specialist, Emergency Preparedness and Response, Association of Public Health Laboratories
Tyler Wolford, MS – Manager, Emergency Preparedness and Response, Association of Public Health Laboratories, Silver Spring, Maryland

Revitalizing preparedness by accelerating innovative technologies against drug-resistant infections | 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM

We provide an overview of the Antibacterials Program at BARDA, focusing on the breadth of investments that BARDA is making across the development spectrum for innovative antibacterial products as well as providing opportunities to engage on the antibacterial needs of the user community.

SPEAKER(S):
Jessica Swenson, MPH – Program Analyst, HHS/ASPR/BARDA, Washington, District of Columbia
Mark Albrecht, PhD – Branch Chief, HHS/ASPR/BARDA, Washington, District of Columbia
Saint Louis County's public health and school nurse partnership to combat COVID-19 in schools | 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM

The pandemic strengthened the partnership between St. Louis County Department of Public Health (DPH) communicable disease staff and school nurses, allowing DPH to implement a County-specific plan for COVID-19 mitigation in schools. The benefits of this partnership will help us navigate a post-pandemic world and keep our school communities healthy.

SPEAKER(S):
Amanda K. Brzozowski, MPH, PhD – Senior Communicable Disease Epidemiologist, Saint Louis County Department of Public Health, Berkeley, Missouri

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Script 2 Scrap: Digitizing Diversion Prevention | 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM

Script 2 Scrap is an educational training program that utilizes psychologist Abraham Maslow’s Train the Trainer (ToT) model and methodology. Because the target population transitioned to the college-aged young adults, the entire curriculum was digitized. This presentation demonstrates how this was done and where successes were seen.

SPEAKER(S):
Mary Rose Kerner, MHSA – Epidemiological Investigator, Erie County Department of Health, Erie, Pennsylvania

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Sheltering Technology Dependent Children due to Power Failure during a North American Winter Storm | 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM

Children and youth with special health care needs present unique challenges during disasters and represent an overlooked population in hospital disaster preparedness plans. One winter storm created widespread power loss and resulting displacement of patients who arrived to one institution's emergency rooms seeking power and medical care.

SPEAKER(S):
Nichole R. Davis, MD, MEd, FAAP – Assistant Professor, Baylor College of Medicine/Texas Children's Hospital, Houston, Texas
Brent D. Kaziny, MD, MA, FAAP – Medical Director of Emergency Management, Texas Children’s Hospital, Houston, Texas
Strategic Planning Model and Framework to Increase COVID-19 Vaccine Uptake in Hidalgo County, Tx | 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM

The development and implementation of an integrated strategic approach to address chronic barriers to public health response and community resiliency has led Hidalgo County Health and Human Services to re-establish and expand partnerships to prioritize underserved vulnerable populations during the COVID-19 pandemic in Hidalgo County, Texas.

SPEAKER(S):
Diana L. Vanegas, MSDS – Strategic National Stockpile (SNS) Coordinator, Hidalgo County Health and Human Services Department, Edinburg, Texas

MODERATOR:
Clarissa D. Guerrero, MS – Assistant Public Health Preparedness Coordinator, Hidalgo County Health Dept., Harlingen, Texas

Strategies and Best Practices for Leveraging Volunteer Support for COVID Vaccination Operations | 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM

This session will highlight best practices for incorporating volunteers into response operations with a focus on mass vaccination efforts. Presenters will share experience in facilitating all stages of volunteer mobilization, including planning, preparation, providing support during deployment, and maintaining ongoing volunteer engagement.

SPEAKER(S):
Emily Laskowski – Workforce Mobilization Manager, Public Health-Seattle and King County, Seattle, Washington

The CDC’s zombie preparedness graphic novel impact on knowledge and attitudes of preparedness kits | 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM

This study evaluated the effectiveness of the CDC’s zombie preparedness graphic novel. A sample of 25 students answered a pretest questionnaire, read the novel, and then completed a posttest, resulting in significant improvements in attitudes
(importance of kits, likelihood to build a kit) and knowledge of recommended preparedness kit items.

SPEAKER(S):
Kate Dunlap, NA – Undergraduate student, Appalachian State University
HC Blesdoe, n/a – Graduate Student, University of North Carolina Chapel Hill, Gillings School of Global Public Health, Carrboro, North Carolina
Christopher M. Seitz, DrPH, MPH, CHES – Assistant Professor, Appalachian State University, Boone, North Carolina

The Implementation of CDC’s COVID-19 Testing Order for Air Passengers Arriving in the United States | 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM

An overview of the implementation of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention’s (CDC) Requirement for Proof of Negative COVID-19 Test or Recovery from COVID-19 for All Air Passengers Arriving in the United States to reduce the introduction and spread of COVID-19 and new variants associated with international travel.

SPEAKER(S):
Dionne Mitcham, MPH – Preparedness and Response ORISE Fellow within CDC’s Division of Global Migration and Quarantine, ORISE; CDC/DGMQ, Atlanta, Georgia
Colby Mitchell, BS – Preparedness and Response ORISE Fellow within CDC’s Division of Global Migration and Quarantine, ORISE; CDC/DGMQ, Atlanta, Georgia

The Nurse Carla Initiative | 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM

The LDH/OPH/BCP recruits Registered Nurses to educate and administer vaccines door-to-door in disparate communities providing at-risk or underserved populations with the ability to be vaccinated where they may not have the opportunity otherwise. The Bureau of Community Preparedness developed the program to guide the initiative.

SPEAKER(S):
Gail Hollins, PhD – Statewide Nurse Consultant, LDH OPH, Baton Rouge, Louisiana
Sundee Winder, Senior public health official with deep understanding of power outage vulnerability for electricity-dependent individuals – Executive Director,
The story of the Olmsted County community testing collaborative: The importance of partnership | 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM

Operationalizing a drive-through community testing site was a key decision in Olmsted County’s response. In partnership with our two local healthcare organizations, the Community Testing Collaborative (CTC) was formed. The goal was to provide equitable community access to testing through a strong community partnership model.

SPEAKER(S):
Sarah Stevens, DNP, RN, PHN – Nurse Manager, Olmsted County Public Health, Rochester, Minnesota
Amy Evans, BS, CEM – Emergency Preparedness Coordinator, Olmsted County Public Health, Rochester, Minnesota

Training for Impact: Workforce Development Needs for Disability Inclusion in Emergency Preparedness | 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM

This poster will share information about health agency staff training needs for disability inclusion in emergency preparedness.

SPEAKER(S):
Adrianna Evans, MPH – Senior Analyst, Preparedness and Disability Integration, ASTHO, Arlington, Virginia
Cassandra Thompson, MPH – Director, Preparedness and Disability Integration, ASTHO
Haley Burrous, MPH – Senior Analyst, Preparedness and Disability Data, ASTHO, Washington, District of Columbia

Treatment of Legionella pneumophila: Omadacycline vs moxifloxacin phase 3 study subanalysis | 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM
Omadacycline, a novel aminomethylcycline antibiotic approved to treat adults with community-acquired bacterial pneumonia (CABP), showed comparable safety and efficacy profiles to moxifloxacin (n=37 each group) for treatment of patients with community-acquired bacterial pneumonia caused by Legionella pneumophila.

SPEAKER(S):
Kelly Wright, PharmD, BCPS – Director, Medical Sciences and Publications, Paratek Pharmaceuticals, Inc., King of Prussia, Pennsylvania

TX Epidemic Public Health Institute: Workforce Training Online Skills-Based Preparedness Certificate | 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM

TEPHI has created a skills-based online program to enhance training of public health practitioners covering epidemiology, preparedness/response, investigating health threats, & outbreak epidemiology, risk communication, contact tracing, public health law, crisis leadership, & financial management.

SPEAKER(S):
Catherine L. Troisi, MS, PhD – Associate Professor, UTHealth Houston, HOUSTON, Texas

US Public Health Laboratories During COVID-19 and Beyond: Challenges, Solutions & Lessons Learned | 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM

The COVID-19 pandemic placed a massive strain on US public health laboratories, hampering their ability to respond and continue their day-to-day operations. Interviews from participants representing 28 of these laboratories give insight on challenges faced as well as how to prevent and respond to them in the future.

SPEAKER(S):
Natasha A. Kaushal, n/a – Analyst, Johns Hopkins Center for Health Security, Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health, Washington, District of Columbia
Christina M. Potter, MSPH – Research Associate, Johns Hopkins Center for Health Security, Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health, Baltimore, Maryland

Utilization of First Responders to Implement a COVID-19 Response Protocol in Lubbock, TX | 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM
The City of Lubbock Health Department's partnership with the city’s fire and rescue team served as a valuable resource through the COVID-19 pandemic. Through this partnership, the health department was able to accommodate the need for staffing to conduct testing, investigations and contact tracing and administering COVID-19 vaccines.

**SPEAKER(S):**
Rachel Dolan, n/a – Public Health Emergency Preparedness Coordinator, City of Lubbock

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**Vaccine Clinic Excels at Zero: Zero Wait Times, Zero Paper, Zero Waste | 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM**

Come learn the innovative methods and tools that Children's Mercy Kansas City, a pediatric hospital, used to scale our COVID-19 vaccine operations. Attendees will learn the three unique tools that allowed us to administer over 45,000 adult vaccines in three months, and how to deploy them at their own institutions.

**SPEAKER(S):**
Kristen Kolleda, MPH, SC CEM – Senior Director, Emergency Management, Children's Mercy Kansas City, Kansas City, Missouri
Whitney Miller, n/a – Emergency Management Coordinator, Children's Mercy Kansas City, Kansas City, Missouri

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**Access for all people: Accessible & Inclusive Vaccination Opportunities for COVID | 1:30 PM – 3:00 PM**

The OCCHD serves close to 800,000 individuals, ensuring individuals with disabilities, vulnerable populations, and equitable access were top priorities for our jurisdiction. Collaboration with various partners ensured we met our objective of inclusive, equitable access to vaccine for all people to include mobility, sensory, & cognitive impairment.

**SPEAKER(S):**
Cara M. Gluck, MPH, MEP, IC3, PSC3 – Deputy Chief Operating Officer, Oklahoma City County Health Department, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
Applying GIS to situational awareness, resource allocation & evaluation with equity at the center | 1:30 PM – 3:00 PM

Applied GIS supports pandemic response needs from beginning to end. This session will immerse you in various use cases and make GIS tools more comprehensible. You’ll see them in action to better understand the breadth of possibilities and the skills required to take full advantage.

SPEAKER(S):
Jared J. Shoultz, BA, MA – HHS Technical Lead, Esri, Lexington, South Carolina

MODERATOR:
Este M. Geraghty, MD, MS, MPH, GISP – Chief Medical Officer, Esri, HENDERSON, Nevada

Beyond Foot Teams: Enhanced Deployment of Medical Countermeasures for COVID-19 in Congregate Care | 1:30 PM – 3:00 PM

A review of the San Diego County Rapid Response Team Program development and utilization during the COVID-19 response to protect the most vulnerable populations in congregate care settings through the medical countermeasures of testing and vaccination.

SPEAKER(S):
Justyn Knutson, BSN RN PHN – Public Health Nurse, County of San Diego
Tiffanie Abrajano, BSN RN PHN – Public Health Nurse, County of San Diego
Mindy Stewart, BSN, RN, PHN, a-IPC – Public Health Nurse Supervisor, County of San Diego, San Diego, California

Building a Sustainable Response and Recovery Framework Through Collaborations and Partnership | 1:30 PM – 3:00 PM

CDC/ATSDR will facilitate two comprehensive listening sessions with state and local jurisdiction participants to improve hurricane response and recovery. Session I focuses on response aspects, preparations, planning needs and the immediate response. Session II focuses on recovery and steps to expedite and build more resilient public health systems.

SPEAKER(S):
Federal Mass Testing at the Local Level- Not Your Traditional POD | 1:30 PM – 3:00 PM

Montgomery County was asked to host a federal COVID-19 Drive Through Test site in 2020, where we tested over 20,000 individuals during its operational period. This presentation will review lessons learned, the importance of relationships, and how the traditional pre-plans can be used as a basis for a non-traditional operation.

SPEAKER(S):

HOW NONPROFIT STEPPED UP ITS GAME TO BE AN ESSENTIAL PART OF A HEALTH DEPARTMENT’S COVID19 RESPONSE | 1:30 PM – 3:00 PM

MRC GEM stepped up to onboard over 2,000 new members. From verifying licenses and training of all our medical volunteers, to background checks for all non-clinical volunteers, we created a robust system where we were managing up to 200 volunteers weekly who were integrated with the local health department.

SPEAKER(S):
Patty Thumann – Response Director, MRC GEM, Berkeley Lake, Georgia

Military and Civilian Partnerships to Address Large-Scale Medical Surge: The NDMS Pilot Program | 1:30 PM – 3:00 PM
This session will present the implementation of the National Disaster Medical System (NDMS) Pilot Program with federal and civilian health care entities to enhance medical surge capacity and capability and to strengthen interoperable partnerships for catastrophic mass casualty events.

SPEAKER(S):
Caroline Croyle Persson, MPH, MPA – Senior Project Manager, Denver Health Medical Center
James B. Murray, M.S. – Area Emergency Manager, VHA Office of Emergency Management, Treynor, Iowa

MODERATOR:
Kimberly B. Gill, Ph.D. – Senior Research Scientist, National Center for Disaster Medicine and Public Health, Bethesda, Maryland

Missouri State Mass Vaccine Clinics, A Multi-Disciplinary Team Effort | 1:30 PM – 3:00 PM

Missouri’s statewide mass vaccine project lasted five months, covered every county, included 930 clinics and vaccinated 441,525 individuals. This unprecedented mission involved local, regional, and state public health, the state’s ESAR VHP system, healthcare systems, emergency management, state agencies, Missouri National Guard, Americorps & FEMA.

SPEAKER(S):
Jonathan Garoutte, n/a – Section Administrator, Environmental Public Health, Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services, Jefferson City, Missouri
Steven Tatlow – State of Missouri Medical Reserve Corps Coordinator, Missouri State Emergency Management Agency, Jefferson City, Missouri
Jeff Alton, n/a – Regional Coordinator, Missouri State Emergency Management Agency, Jefferson City, Missouri

MODERATOR:
Melissa N. Friel, n/a – State Voluntary Agency Liaison, Missouri State Emergency Management Agency, Jefferson City, Missouri

Nation’s Largest COVID Drive-thru Vaccine Clinic - Public Health/Emergency Management Partnership | 1:30 PM – 3:00 PM
Denton County leverage an ongoing partnership between Denton County Public Health and Denton County Emergency Services to build the Nation’s largest COVID-19 mass vaccination clinic. Established a Unified Command and built a 16 lane drive thru mass vaccination clinic with the capacity to vaccinate 12,000 people at Texas Motor Speedway.

SPEAKER(S):
Robert A. Martinez, MPH – Division Manage for Preparedness and Response, Denton County Public Health, Oak Point, Texas
Eric Hutmacher, CEM – Assistant Emergency Management Coordinator, Denton County Office of Emergency Management, Denton, Texas

**Pediatric Centers of Excellence: the first Two years: Tools, Lessons and what the Future Holds | 1:30 PM – 3:00 PM**

Dissemination and use of the strategies and tools that were created by the PDCOE will improve more regions within the US to be able to care for children and families in disasters, and each regional healthcare coalition has an important role in this process.

SPEAKER(S):
Deanna Dahl Grove, MD – Professor of Pediatrics, UH Rainbow Babies and Children's Hospital, Cleveland, Ohio
Christopher Newton, M.D. – Medical Trauma Director Benioff Children’s Hospital Oakland, UCSF, Oakland, California
Michael R. Anderson, MD FAAP FCCM – Senior Advisor (CTR), HHS/ASPR, Falls Church, Virginia

**Reporting COVID-19 Case Information to the Public: Experience and Lessons Learned in Northeast Texas | 1:30 PM – 3:00 PM**

This abstract reports on the experiences and lessons learned from a resource-limited local health department serving rural communities to collect, aggregate, and communicate COVID-19 information on a daily basis.

SPEAKER(S):
Dusty Gonzalez – Asst. Dir. Of Operations, PHEP/Grants Manager, Northeast Texas Public Health District (NET Health), Tyler, Texas
Responder well-being during the pandemic response: Where we succeeded and failed | 1:30 PM – 3:00 PM

The pandemic response took a toll on public health staff. Staff are experiencing burnout, stress, anxiety, and depression. Efforts were made to pay attention to the well-being of staff but the reality of how that support played out had mixed results. This session will describe successes, challenges, and recommendations.

SPEAKER(S):
Carina Elsenboss, MA – Preparedness Director, Public Health-Seattle and King County, Seattle, Washington

MODERATOR:
Rachel Santamaria-Schwartz, n/a – Director of Policy and Strategic Initiatives, DOHMH, Long Island City, New York

The Difference of Planning and Execution of Mass Vaccinations during the COVID-19 Pandemic | 1:30 PM – 3:00 PM

The Greater Monadnock Public Health Network faced a challenge of vaccinating eligible individuals in a safe and efficient manner. Community partners came together in this ever-changing event to administer over 73,000 vaccinations. This session will explore the different challenges, solutions and lessons learned during the COVID-19 mass vaccination.

SPEAKER(S):
Jane A. Parayil, MPH – Public Health Emergency Preparedness Coordinator, Cheshire Medical Center & Greater Monadnock Public Health Network, Keene, New Hampshire
LHDs adapted quickly for the COVID vaccine rollout. Veteran practitioners will ultimately determine what the new mass-vaccination planning approach is. Kane County share’s their experience for the purpose of raising an important question: What is the new mass-vaccine rollout theory and how will it affect planning at the local level?

SPEAKER(S):
Aaron Stevens, B.S.; MPA – Emergency Response Supervisor, Planning Section Chief, Kane County Health Department, Aurora, Illinois
Cady Griffiths, B.A.; MPA – Emergency Response Coordinator, Kane County Health Department, Aurora, Illinois

San Mateo County Health implemented a Year of Resiliency for its Healthcare Coalition. The program promotes wellness and mental health services for the Coalition by providing trainings and special meetings. Presenters will discuss the programming implemented with the Healthcare Coalition and will conduct resiliency activities/wellness training.

SPEAKER(S):
Shruti Dhapodkar, MD – Health Emergency Preparedness Manager, San Mateo County Health, South San Francisco, California

The workshop will engage participants as dynamic players in an interactive scenario that encompasses the decision making processes in the day-to-day challenges facing local health departments in managing mis-disinformation.

SPEAKER(S):
Elena Savoia, MD MPH – Deputy Director, Emergency Preparedness Program, Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health, Boston, Massachusetts
Rachael Pitch-Loeb, PhD MSPH – Research Associate, Harvard University, Massachusetts
Beth Goldberg, MA MBA – Research Manager, Jigsaw Google Inc, New York
In This Together: Strategic Partnerships for Emergency Response to People Living with Disabilities | 1:30 PM – 5:00 PM

This session will provide practical strategies for forging partnerships to support disability inclusion in emergency preparedness using crisis standards of care as a case study. Participants will benefit from lessons learned from an existing program and resources from real-world application.

SPEAKER(S):
Adrianna Evans, MPH – Senior Analyst, Preparedness and Disability Integration, ASTHO, Arlington, Virginia
Cassandra Thompson, MPH – Director, Preparedness and Disability Integration, ASTHO
Adrianna Evans, MPH – Director, Government Relations, ASTHO, Arlington, Virginia
Win Rawls, MBA, MS – Director, Preparedness & Evaluation, Association of State and Territorial Health Officials, Arlington, Virginia

A Walk to Remember: Philadelphia Medical Reserve Corps Community Canvassing Initiative | 3:30 PM – 4:15 PM

The Philadelphia Department of Public Health successfully deployed the Philadelphia Medical Reserve Corps to canvass high-trafficked, vulnerable and under-vaccinated neighborhoods to disseminate information and outreach materials, as well as provide vaccine clinic information to under-vaccinated neighborhoods.

SPEAKER(S):
Alyssa Jacobsen, MA – Workforce Manager, Philadelphia Department of Public Health, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
Satorie Gibson, BA – Medical Reserve Corps Coordinator, Philadelphia Department of Public Health, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Blue Light Special: From retail store to vaccine clinic, a collaborative response to health equity | 3:30 PM – 4:15 PM
We will discuss how a cross-jurisdictional collaborative approach to improved vaccine access for South Shore Milwaukee County resulted in improved health equity for residents and how this transitions into enhanced future emergency preparedness planning and policies.

SPEAKER(S):
Rachel Sadowski, BSN, RN – Public Health Nurse, Emergency Preparedness Coordinator, Cudahy Health Department, Cudahy, Wisconsin

**Emergency Preparedness & Public Health Interoperability | 3:30 PM – 4:15 PM**

State and national leaders in public health and emergency preparedness were convened by The Sequoia Project to consider lessons learned from the response to the ongoing COVID pandemic. This presentation will share the workgroup’s recommendations for making information more readily available to support emergency preparedness for future disasters.

SPEAKER(S):
Debbie Condrey – Chief Operations Officer/Chief Information Officer, The Sequoia Project, Vienna, Virginia
Nora Belcher, n/a – Executive Director, Texas e-Health Alliance, Austin, Texas

**Engaging Arts & Culture for Vaccine Confidence: building sustainable community response & resilience | 3:30 PM – 4:15 PM**

Arts and culture-based public health approaches are effective for emergency response and recovery efforts related to vaccine confidence. Based on recently published CDC field guides, examine evidence-based strategies for building community capacity around vaccine-related public health emergencies by engaging local artists and culture-bearers.

SPEAKER(S):
Jill Sonke, PhD – Director, University of Florida Center for Arts in Medicine, Florida
Louise Shaw, MFA in Museology – Curator at the Sencer CDC Museum, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Georgia

MODERATOR:
Natalie Rella, MPH, CPH – Research Associate and Communications Coordinator, University of Florida | Center for Arts in Medicine, Gainesville, Florida
New Era of Threat Preparedness: Long-Term Pandemic Response | 3:30 PM – 4:15 PM

In March 2020, Monongalia County Health Department found itself in a duality: providing legislatively mandated public health deliverables and responding to a global pandemic. Diverse local and regional collaborations have continued to support our response throughout the COVID-19 pandemic.

SPEAKER(S):
Jamie W. Moore, MPA, RS – Threat Preparedness Program Manager, Monongalia County Health Department, Morgantown, West Virginia
Joseph L. Klass, MPH, NRP – Threat Preparedness Chief of Operations, Monongalia County Health Department, Morgantown, West Virginia

Staying Safe, Any Time, Any Place: Fostering Partnerships with Home Health During and After COVID-19 | 3:30 PM – 4:15 PM

Home health workers play a key role in caring for those at greatest risk of becoming severely ill with COVID-19. The Philadelphia Department of Public Health partnered with agencies to identify supply and training needs and subsequently developed a home health toolkit in hopes of closing gaps that were identified.

SPEAKER(S):
Brandon Horvath, MPH, CHES – Health Communications Manager, Philadelphia Department of Public Health, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
Alexandra Skula, MPH – Policy, Planning and Evaluation Manager, Public Health Preparedness, Philadelphia Department of Public Health, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

The LA Story: Accepting the challenge of COVID vaccine in Los Angeles County | 3:30 PM – 4:15 PM

The challenge of the COVID vaccine mission in was met by two (2) entities, each with their respective areas of expertise and strengths. During this session, the presenters will share their experiences and lessons learned throughout this vaccine response and achieving the goal and mission to vaccinate the entire population.
SPEAKER(S):
Jee Kim, EdD, MPH – MCM Dispensing and Emergency Staffing Manager, Los Angeles County Department of Public Health, Los Angeles, California
Keith Price – CIO/COO, Concordance Healthcare Solutions, Tiffin, Ohio
Nathan DeWees, n/a – Executive Director Strategic Projects, Concordance Healthcare Solutions

MODERATOR:
Sam Ha, MPA – Analyst, County of Los Angeles Department of Public Health

Utilizing Health IT for COVID-19 and Concurrent Wildfire Responses: Lessons Learned from CalEMSA | 3:30 PM – 4:15 PM

In this session, CalEMSA will explore lessons learned after deploying health IT tools to improve routine emergency management resources and fill critical care coordination information gaps, like medication and clinical histories, for credentialed medical staff at alternate care facilities during COVID-19 and concurrent wildfires.

SPEAKER(S):
Leslie Ritten-Wood, MA – Chief of the Office of Health Information Exchange, California Emergency Medical Services Authority, Rancho Cordova, California

MODERATOR:
Lauren Knieser, DrPH MPH – Senior Director, Audacious Inquiry, Baltimore, Maryland

We forgot to plan for a terror bombing on Christmas that shut down communications during a pandemic | 3:30 PM – 4:15 PM

What do you mean we forgot to plan for the domestic terrorist who bombed an ATT router building on Christmas day shutting down statewide communications in the middle of a global pandemic?

SPEAKER(S):
Sean Kice, CEM – Deputy Director Emergency Preparedness, TN Dept of Health, Nashville, Tennessee
Be Ready: Disaster Readiness for Families of Children With Disabilities and Medical Needs | 3:30 PM – 4:15 PM

Families of Children with Disabilities and Medical Needs are disproportionately at risk for adverse impacts when disaster strikes. This session will review the who, what, and why of these impacts and how a new toolkit by the Eastern Great Lakes Consortium for Pediatric Disaster Response can make a difference.

SPEAKER(S):
Patricia A. Frost, RN, PHN, MS, PNP – Vice Chair, National Pediatric Disaster Coalition, Danville, California

A Fair Shot-Operational and Engagement Strategies to Maximize Speed & Equity for Community Immunity | 3:30 PM – 5:00 PM

San Francisco DPH developed a COVID-19 vaccination strategy prioritizing low-income, Black, Latinx, Asian and Indigenous communities, thereby closing or narrowing disparity gaps for these vulnerable populations. This session describes the vaccine distribution plan and its principles of community leadership, access, and transparency/accountability.

SPEAKER(S):
Isela Ford, MPA – Equity and Neighborhoods, Deputy Director, San Francisco Department of Public Health, San Francisco, California
Jonathan Sears, MPH – Vaccine Branch Director, San Francisco Department of Public Health, San Francisco, California
Ariel Franks, MD – Family Medicine Resident, San Francisco Department of Public Health; University of California San Francisco, San Francisco, California

MODERATOR:
Mary Mercer, MD, MPH, FAEMS – Deputy Director, Vaccine Branch, Covid Task Force; Associate Professor of Emergency Medicine, San Francisco Department of Public Health; University of California San Francisco, San Francisco, California

CDC National Partnership for COVID-19 Outreach and Vaccination Among Farmworkers | 3:30 PM – 5:00 PM

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention has established a partnership with the National Center for Farmworker Health to enhance outreach and
implementation of CDC COVID-19 prevention guidance for agricultural workers and employers nationwide. The presenters will share innovative strategies, project impact information, and recommendations.

SPEAKER(S):
Alfonso Rodriguez Lainz, PhD DVM MPVM – Epidemiologist, CDC, San Diego, California
Sylvia Partida, n/a – Chief Executive Officer, National Center for Farmworker Health, Texas

**Collaborative Strategy for the Ethical Allocation of Scarce Resources | 3:30 PM – 5:00 PM**

The Kent County Health Department collaborated with an academic Ethicist to ensure an ethical distribution strategy for the COVID-19 vaccine in Kent County, MI. This interactive session will highlight the partnership, ethical framework used, and case studies from the pandemic to outline challenges, lessons learned, and steps forward post-pandemic.

SPEAKER(S):
Karla Black, PhD, MEP, PEM, REHS – Emergency Preparedness Coordinator, Kent County Health Department, Grand Rapids, Michigan
Jeffrey Byrnes, PhD – Assistant Professor of Philosophy, Grand Valley State University, Grand Rapids, Michigan

**Leading Teams with a Trauma-Informed Approach | 3:30 PM – 5:00 PM**

COVID-19 has highlighted the need for trauma-informed approaches, yet little has been incorporated into state, territorial, tribal, and local health departments and related organizations. Consider trauma-informed leadership and discuss ways to support teams and promote trauma-informed guidance, strategies, and opportunities for communities served.

SPEAKER(S):
Amie C. Myrick, MS, LCPC – Senior Program Analyst, NACCHO, Nottingham, Maryland
Jennifer Redding, LCSW-C – Executive Director, University of Maryland Upper Chesapeake Health
Trickle Up Health Equity: From the Streets of Annapolis to the Mid-Atlantic Region | 3:30 PM – 5:00 PM

The objective of this presentation "Trickle Up Health Equity: From the Streets of Annapolis to the Mid-Atlantic Region" is to show how to scale-up a successful health promotion program to increase COVID-19 vaccination rates and decrease COVID-19 infection rates among Latinos living in Annapolis, Maryland, to the Mid-Atlantic Region.

SPEAKER(S):
Laura Gutierrez, n/a – MALVEC Coalition Chair, Mid-Atlantic Latinx Vaccine Equity Coalition (MALVEC), Annapolis, Maryland

Addressing Legal, Structural, and Policy Barriers to Utilizing City Contracts during a Disaster | 4:30 PM – 5:15 PM

San Francisco’s successful response to the COVID-19 pandemic required expedited utilization and expansion of city contracts. This session focuses on strategies used to navigate legal, structural and policy barriers that exist within normal city governance for disaster response.

SPEAKER(S):
Doug Walsh, EMT-P – PHEP Manager, San Francisco Department of Public Health, San Francisco, California
Amber Quelvog, RN – Emergency Department Special Duty Nurse and Disaster Service Worker, County of San Francisco Department of Public Health, Zuckerberg San Francisco General Hospital and Trauma Center, San Francisco, California
MODERATOR:
Amabel Chow, MPH – Vaccine Operations Deputy Director, City and County of San Francisco – Department of Public Health, Zuckerberg San Francisco General Hospital and Trauma Center, San Francisco, California

Building a Multi-state Exchange of Contact Tracing Data & Phylogenetic Innovations | 4:30 PM – 5:15 PM

In June 2020, a multi-state public health network was built, first to develop a standard and secure way to exchange contact tracing information and has since
expanded efforts to maintain a multi-state phylogenetic tree. Currently engaging DC, MD, VA, WV, PA, and NY, who share ideas and strategies weekly.

SPEAKER(S):
Jennifer Schitter, MPH – Principal Health Planner, Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments, Reston, Virginia

**Centering Equity in Emergency Operations: A case study of Lane County, Oregon’s COVID 19 Response | 4:30 PM – 5:15 PM**

Prior to the pandemic, Lane County participated in a state-wide public health modernization process and developed a county-wide Equity Lens Tool for decision-making. This session will explore how we centered equity in vaccinations and testing in COVID-19 Emergency Operations to address COVID health disparities in communities of color.

SPEAKER(S):
Sarah Swofford, MPH, EMT – Medical Reserve Corps Lead, Lane County Public Health, Eugene, Oregon
Mo Young, BA Psychology, BA Sociology – Community Partnerships Supervisor, Lane County Public Health, Eugene, Oregon

**Challenges and Successes in Establishing an Equitable Statewide Program for Monoclonal Antibody | 4:30 PM – 5:15 PM**

Challenges and successes in establishing an equitable allocation plan for the distribution of monoclonal antibodies from a state health department's point of view. Take a look at how the Arkansas Department of Health used preparedness planning and response to partner with several local agencies to launch a successful allocation program.

SPEAKER(S):
Elizabeth W. Borella, MPH – Division Chief, Public Health Emergency Preparedness, Arkansas Department of Health, Cabot, Arkansas
Atul Kothari, MD FIDSA – Medical Director, Healthcare Associated Infections Program, Arkansas Department of Health, Arkansas

MODERATOR:
Darla DalSanto, n/a – Preparedness Training and Exercise Program Manager, Arkansas Department of Health, Little Rock, Arkansas
COVID-19: Changing the Way We View Pandemic Preparedness | 4:30 PM – 5:15 PM

Harris County Public Health will share a comprehensive and coordinated strategy to advance preparedness planning, training, and exercising based on lessons learned from the extended COVID-19 response and concurrent disasters.

SPEAKER(S):
Jennifer N. Kiger, MPH – Director, Covid-19 Division, Harris County Public Health, Houston, Texas
Allison Reese, MS – Lead Planner, Harris County Public Health, Houston, Texas

Innovative Power Outage Planning for Individuals Who Depend on Life Support Equipment in Their Homes | 4:30 PM – 5:15 PM

The Louisiana Department of Health’s (LDH) “Neighbors Helping Neighbors” program recruits generator owners to recharge batteries of in-home ventilators during power outages, safeguarding at-risk Louisianans. Disability advocates helped develop program guidelines and home health providers recruited the most acute patients for prioritized support.

SPEAKER(S):
Sundee Winder, Senior public health official with deep understanding of power outage vulnerability for electricity-dependent individuals – Executive Director, Bureau of Community Preparedness, Louisiana Department of Health, Baton Rouge, Louisiana

MODERATOR:
Eric Cote, Emergency Power Preparedness SME – Project Director, Powered for Patients, 501c3 Non-Profit, East Greenwich, Rhode Island

Protecting Emergency Responders - Emergency Responder Health Monitoring and Surveillance Framework | 4:30 PM – 5:15 PM

This session will discuss the implementation of the Emergency Responder Health Monitoring and Surveillance System (ERHMS) framework to protect our first responders. We will discuss what this system is, how this system works, and how
we have implemented the framework into our own volunteer organization, the Medical Reserve Corps.

SPEAKER(S):
Brittney E. Fuhrman, MPH – Planning Officer, Medical Reserve Corps, Mechanicsburg, Pennsylvania
Joseph A. Cocciardi, PhD, MS, CIH, CSP, REHS/RS – Director, Medical Reserve Corps, Mechanicsburg, Pennsylvania

**Providing COVID-19 Vaccines for Homebound Individuals | 4:30 PM – 5:15 PM**

This session will describe Philadelphia Department of Public Health’s vaccine response strategy for persons with limited access to vaccination opportunities at mass vaccination clinics, pharmacies, or other healthcare settings.

SPEAKER(S):
Claire McKeown, MPH – At-Risk Populations Coordinator, Philadelphia Department of Public Health - Division of Disease Control, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

**Addressing Clusters during COVID19: Challenges & Successes of a Bi-national & Tri-state Community | 4:30 PM – 5:15 PM**

The City of El Paso Cluster Management Task Force addressed clusters in long-term care facilities, businesses, schools, correctional facilities, among other locations. This session will review best practices and challenges when developing criteria, specific tools, improvement plans, and follow-up with each type of facility.

SPEAKER(S):
Ruth E. Castillo, MPH – PHEP Program Manager, City of El Paso, El Paso, Texas
Shawna Payan, MPH – PHEP Liaison, City of El Paso

**Wednesday, April 6, 2022**
A new evidence-based, user-friendly measurement tool for public health incident management | 10:30 AM – 12:00 PM

Performance measures are needed to support process improvement for public health incident management, but are in short supply. This session demonstrates a user-friendly toolkit of incident management “vital signs” that capture essential IM functions, but without assuming use of an Incident Command System or other specific structures.

SPEAKER(S):
Christopher D. Nelson, PhD – Senior Political Scientist / Professor of Public Policy, RAND/Pardee RAND Graduate School, Santa Monica, California
Mickey Scullard, MPH MEP – Planning Director, Minnesota Department of Health, St. Paul, Minnesota
Eric M. Sergienko, MD/MPH – County Health Officer, Mariposa California County Health and Human Services Agency, Mariposa, California

MODERATOR:
Holly H. Fisher, PhD – Behavioral Scientist, CDC, Atlanta, Georgia

Applying Lessons Learned from COVID-19 in Developing the National Pandemic GIS Playbook | 10:30 AM – 12:00 PM

An interactive conversation and hands-on workshop with leaders from the National Pandemic GIS & Informatics Task Force. Participants engage in a facilitated discussion sharing their GIS lessons learned and best practices during COVID-19. They will also work together to review and develop recommendations on the National Pandemic GIS Playbook.

SPEAKER(S):
Frank Winters, MA – Geographic Information Officer, New York State Office of Information Technology
Justin Kates, MA – Director of Emergency Management, City of Nashua, NH

MODERATOR:
Rebecca Harned, MA – Senior Advisor & SME, National Pandemic GIS & Informatics Task Force, North Sutton, New Hampshire

Climate for Health Ambassador Training | 10:30 AM – 12:00 PM
Climate change is accelerating, with growing impacts on human health. Public concern is also increasing, and solutions are at hand. Health professionals are trusted messengers that can help their community, peers, and policymakers turn concern into action. Join the Climate for Health Ambassador Training to be part of the solution.

SPEAKER(S):
Chelsea Gridley-Smith, PhD – Director, Environmental Health, National Association of County and City Health Officials, Washington, District of Columbia
Nicole Hill

MODERATOR:
Deise Galan, DrPH, MPH – Senior Program Analyst, NACCHO, Washington, District of Columbia

Collaborative and Equitable Allocation of Scarce Healthcare Resources During a Pandemic | 10:30 AM – 12:00 PM

This presentation on San Francisco’s DPH and Citywide process for allocating and managing healthcare scarce resources showcases the development of systems and the organizational structure developed for collaborative decision making. Presenters will discuss the evolution of the process as well as the tools used.

SPEAKER(S):
Kristina Leonoudakis-Watts, n/a – Operations Manager (former DPH DOC Logistics Section Chief), San Francisco Department of Public Health, San Francisco, California
Nicholas Holsapple, MPA – Health Program Coordinator, San Francisco Department of Public Health

MODERATOR:
Celeste Middleton, MPP – Data & Evaluation Analyst, San Francisco Department of Children, Youth & Their Families, San Francisco, California

Connecting Health Departments to Disability Partners to Strengthen Inclusive Emergency Preparedness | 10:30 AM – 12:00 PM

People with disabilities are not always considered and included in emergency preparedness efforts. In this session, we will discuss how Disability Specialists within 10 jurisdictions enhanced partnerships between health departments and
disability partners to increase disability inclusion within public health preparedness and response activities.

SPEAKER(S):
Sara Lyons, MPH – Senior Program Analyst, Health and Disability, National Association of County and City Health Officials, Washington, District of Columbia

MODERATOR:
Robyn Cree, PhD – Epidemiologist, CDC/National Center on Birth Defects and Developmental Disabilities (NCBDDD)

Designing a Data Driven COVID-19 Vaccine Strategy: Clinic Placement and Community Engagement | 10:30 AM – 12:00 PM

The Philadelphia Department of Public Health employed data-driven methods to inform planning and community engagement for COVID-19 vaccine clinics. This session describes how data were used to identify new clinic locations in under-vaccinated areas, design and evaluate an equitable outreach strategy, and increase uptake in priority populations.

SPEAKER(S):
Molly Mattes – Medical Countermeasure Coordinator, Philadelphia Department of Public Health, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
Ann Belamy, BS – Community Outreach Coordinator, Philadelphia Department of Public Health, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

From Shipping Docks to Loading Docks: Improving Access to Scarce Resources in a Pandemic Response | 10:30 AM – 12:00 PM

In a pandemic, the federal government works with industry to ensure that supplies are available to protect frontline healthcare workers. Strategic National Stockpile experts will share insight on acquisition strategy, particularly for PPE, and discuss how to ensure quality products are procured in an ever-evolving manufacturing environment.

SPEAKER(S):
Debraeelee Esbitt, RN, BSN, ABJ, MS – Health scientist, ASPR/SNS, Atlanta, Georgia
Fulfilling the Promise: Improving Tribal Access to the Strategic National Stockpile During Pandemics | 10:30 AM – 12:00 PM

Global medical supply chain vulnerabilities revealed during the COVID-19 pandemic response uniquely impacted tribal entities’ access to critical PPE and medical supplies. Here, the SNS will review findings from listening sessions with tribal leaders for feedback on integrating all levels of government to facilitate tribal access to SNS supplies.

SPEAKER(S):
Steven Adams, M.P.H. – Acting Director, US DHHS/Strategic National Stockpile, Atlanta, Georgia

MODERATOR:
Michael Ayres, J.D. – Emergency Management Specialist, US DHHS/Strategic National Stockpile, Atlanta, Georgia

Maintaining Public Trust and Cooperation in Responding to 21st Century Health Threats | 10:30 AM – 12:00 PM

More effective response to health threats should seek to maximize health protection while minimizing social and economic disruption. Attaining this level of response requires the integration and advancement of data & analytics across the information management, modeling, and operations communities. Key challenges in this pursuit will be discussed.

SPEAKER(S):
Jeff D. Freeman, PhD, MPH – Director, Prevention, Preparedness, and Response, Johns Hopkins Applied Physics Laboratory, Laurel, Maryland
Paul Nicholas, PhD – APL COVID-19 Coordinator, Johns Hopkins Applied Physics Laboratory
Kaitlin Lovett, PhD – Chief Scientist, Johns Hopkins Applied Physics Laboratory, Laurel, Maryland

**Pediatrics, Imperiled People, Pile-ups and Pandemics: Tools & Techniques for Disaster Education | 10:30 AM – 12:00 PM**

This workshop promotes disaster educator & planner understanding of mass casualty event exercises, incorporating vulnerable populations in training, measuring improvement in learner knowledge and skills, and improvements in surge capacity and capability. Participants will ultimately develop skills for implementing and evaluating disaster training.

**SPEAKER(S):**
Sarita Chung, MD, FAAP – Director, Disaster Preparedness, Division of Emergency Medicine Boston Children’s Hospital, Boston Children’s Hospital, Boston, Massachusetts
Stuart A. Bradin, DO, FAAP, FACEP – Associate Professor of Pediatrics and Emergency Medicine, Attending Physician- Children’s Emergency, The University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan
Brent D. Kaziny, MD, MA, FAAP – Medical Director of Emergency Management, Texas Children’s Hospital, Houston, Texas

**MODERATOR:**
Mark X. Cicero, MD, FAAP – Associate Professor of Pediatrics and Emergency Medicine, Director, Pediatric Disaster Preparedness, Yale University School of Medicine, Connecticut

**Planning to Allocate Scarce Medical Resources Ethically During COVID-19 and Beyond | 10:30 AM – 12:00 PM**

This presentation will examine the legal, ethical, and practical considerations of planning for medical resource scarcity during long-duration emergencies like the COVID-19 response. A particular focus will be on how the state of Michigan developed and redeveloped its scarce resource allocation plans in response to the COVID-19 outbreak.

**SPEAKER(S):**
Lance Gable, JD, MPH – Professor of Law, Wayne State University Law School, Detroit, Michigan
Preparing students for leadership and decision-making in a crisis through role-playing activities | 10:30 AM – 12:00 PM

In this interactive session, participants will learn ways in which disaster response simulations, tabletop exercises and other role-playing activities can be used to develop students' crisis leadership and decision-making skills and strengthen a community’s resilience. Participants will have the opportunity to practice setting up an EOC simulation.

SPEAKER(S):
Laura Phipps, DrPH, MPH, CPH, RS – Clinical Assistant Professor, The University of Texas at Arlington, Arlington, Texas

Promoting equity and strengthening response on multiple emergency fronts: Pima County’s story | 10:30 AM – 12:00 PM

Pima County lies on the US-Mexico Border with unique challenges to promote health equity during public health emergency responses, presenters will outline various responses and discuss strategies to ensure community engagement in areas of high social vulnerability and limited access to public health services.

SPEAKER(S):
Theresa Cullen, MD, MS – Health Director, Pima County Health Department, Tucson, Arizona
Kat Davis, MPH – Health Justice for Intersectional Populations Program Manager, Pima County Health Department, Tucson, Arizona
Spencer Graves, MPA – Public Health Emergency Preparedness Manager, Pima County Health Department, Tucson, Arizona

MODERATOR:
Louie Valenzuela, MPA – Division Manager, Pima County Health Department, Tucson, Arizona
A Community Plan for Overcoming COVID-19 Vaccine Hesitancy | 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM

To increase Covid-19 vaccine uptake in vulnerable populations an interprofessional and collaborative plan was developed. Collaboration with trusted community members including religious leaders, restaurants and law enforcement was established and the ambassadors helped decrease resistance. The multi prong approach increased vaccine rates by 35-45%.

SPEAKER(S):
Denise Rizzolo, PhD, MPH-C, PA-C – Associate Professor and Field Practicum Coordinator, Fairleigh Dickinson University, Westfield, New Jersey
Megan Avallone, MS, RN – Health Officer, Westfield Regional Health Department, Morristown, New Jersey
Ellen Shelley, DNP, MSN, NE-BC, CCM, CPHQ – Coordinator of Vulnerable Populations, Westfield Regional Health Department

A Comprehensive Approach to Large-Scale Pandemic Surge: Mt Sinai Health System Response to COVID-19 | 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM

This session will describe the response to pandemic surge conducted by the Mount Sinai Health System, the largest academic medical system in New York City, during COVID-19. Discussion will include ICU bed capacity, alternate patient care locations, redeployment of staff, just-in-time training, telemedicine and centralized command and control.

SPEAKER(S):
Michael Redlener, M.D. – Associate Professor and Deputy Director, Department of Emergency Medicine, Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai and the Center for Healthcare Readiness, New York, New York
Claire Kim, M.S. – Research and Program Manager, Department of Emergency Medicine, Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai and the Center for Healthcare Readiness, New York, New York

MODERATOR:
Adeteju Adeniji, MPH – Research Project Administrator, National Center for Disaster Medicine and Public Health, Bethesda, Maryland
A decade of the public health effects of hurricanes: building a better and more robust response | 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM

As climate change exacerbates the intensity of storms and hurricanes, it is crucial to incorporate current, relevant information into existing preparedness planning. We reviewed the public health literature on hurricanes that occurred within 2010-2020 to describe public health impacts and identify and prioritize best practices for response.

SPEAKER(S):
Ashley R. Moore, MPH – ORISE Fellow, CDC/ATSDR, Decatur, Georgia
Miguel A. Cruz, PhD, MPH – Sr. Emergency Operations Officer, CDC/ATSDR, Atlanta, Georgia

A Machine-Learning Approach for Detecting Long COVID: Advanced Surveillance for an Emerging Disease | 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM

This session will discuss how a machine-learning approach based on EHR data was used to identify patients in need of long COVID care. A similar approach can be used to conduct advanced surveillance for a future emerging disease.

SPEAKER(S):
Andrew T. Girvin, PhD – Head of Biomedical R&D, Palantir Technologies Inc., Washington, District of Columbia
Melissa Haendel, PhD, FAMIA – Director of the Center for Data to Health (CD2H) / Chief Research Informatics Officer, University of Colorado Anschutz Medical Campus, Aurora, Colorado

A Simple Tool for COVID Vaccine Allocation to Local PODs during Phase1-A | 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM

Maricopa County encountered many challenges ensuring its local PODs had adequate vaccine to serve 200,000+ healthcare workers prioritized during Phase 1-A. A simple spreadsheet-based tool was created to minimize some of the uncertainties involved, including allocation and delivery timing, POD throughput, and inventory tracking issues among others.

SPEAKER(S):
“GO Health” COVID-19 Response: Public health cross-jurisdictional sharing in Genesee and Orleans, NY | 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM

This session presents challenges and lessons of cross-jurisdictional sharing (CJS) for COVID-19 response associated with dual county health department service in Genesee and Orleans, NY. Recommendations are made to increase benefits, minimize disadvantages, and improve measures of effectiveness for CJS during prolonged public health emergencies.

SPEAKER(S):
David E. Bell, PhD, MPH – Emergency Preparedness Coordinator, Genesee and Orleans County Health Department, Lyndonville, New York
Cora Young, BS – Public Health Emergency Preparedness Educator, Genesee and Orleans County Health Departments

“We’re Gonna Need a Bigger Boat…” Resource Requests Come of Age-Automating the 213RR | 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM

From form to system: Explore how the San Francisco Department of Public Health’s Department Operations Center evolved the “213 Resource Request” form into an automated, web-based system to provide visibility, improve Logistics workflows, and manage an exponentially increasing demand for resources.

SPEAKER(S):
Sherman Luk, PfMP, CBA, CSCP – Technology & Enterprise Performance Portfolio Manager, Controller’s Office, San Francisco, California
Emily Lisker, MPH – Project Manager, Office of the Controller, City & County of San Francisco, San Francisco, California
Kristen McGuire, MPA – Principal Administrative Analyst, San Francisco Public Utilities Commission, San Francisco, California

MODERATOR:
Addressing Needs of People with Disabilities in COVID-19 Response at a County Level in Central Texas | 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM

Williamson County and Cities Health District (WCCHD) identified that 9.6% of the population are living with a disability in Williamson County. WCCHD is working to identify and mitigate disparities at the local level to reduce inequities in the county, but more needs to be done in COVID-19 response.

SPEAKER(S):
Kelsey Murray, MPH – Emergency Preparedness and Disability Specialist, Williamson County and Cities Health District, Round Rock, Texas

All-Hazards Preparedness and Response Competencies for Health Center Staff | 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM

Health centers must support an integrated emergency response with health and medical partners. Health centers must also ensure that patients continue to receive quality care in a medical home during and after an emergency or disaster. COVID-19 has demonstrated opportunities to enhance the role of health centers in emergency response.

SPEAKER(S):
Anne Hasselmann, MPH – Consultant, ARH Health Consulting, New York, New York
Lauren Rockoff, MPH – Program Manager, National Nurse-Led Care Consortium, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
Alex Lipotsev, MSW – Senior Director, Community Health Center Association of New York State, New York, New York

MODERATOR:
Kristine Gonnella, MPH – Senior Director of Strategic Initiatives, National Nurse-Led Care Consortium, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
AM LLC K-12 School Liaison Programs: Solutions for Keeping Students Safely Learning in Schools | 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM

AM LLC (amllc.co) will present our K-12 School Liaison Program that coordinates COVID-19 testing, contact tracing, and reporting efforts with goals to: 1) prevent transmission of COVID-19 among students, staff, and community members; 2) keep kids learning safely in schools; and 3) alleviate burden added to school staff by COVID-19.

SPEAKER(S):
Christopher Orlea, PhD, MPH – Chief Experience Officer, AM LLC, Arlington, Virginia

An Effective Approach to Increase Vaccination Rates Among Minority and Undocumented Immigrants | 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM

An Effective Approach to Increase Vaccination Rates Among Minority and Undocumented Immigrants by addressing the challenges and barriers of communication, vaccine hesitancy, and misinformation, that arise from a culturally diverse population.

SPEAKER(S):
Sulaiman Shaikh, n/a – PHEP Coordinator, Danbury Department of Health & Human Services, Danbury, Connecticut
Stephanie Ferguson, Certified CHW – Community Health Worker, Danbury Department of Health & Human Services

Anxiety and Depression Among Pediatric Frontline Healthcare Providers During the COVID-19 Pandemic | 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM

Perceptions of Anxiety and Depression Among Pediatric Frontline Healthcare Providers During the COVID-19 Pandemic, Nita Gupta, MD, Bashar Shihabuddin MD, Charmaine Lo, PhD, MPH, Rachel Stanley, MD, MHSA, Jazmin Malone, RN, Doug MacDowell, BS, Junxin Shi MD, PhD

SPEAKER(S):
Nita Gupta, MD – Pediatric Emergency Medicine Fellow Physician, Nationwide Children's Hospital, Columbus, Ohio
Assessing COVID-19 monoclonal antibody therapy site locations in relation to the socially vulnerable | 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM

Discusses the evaluation of COVID-19 monoclonal antibody therapy treatment sites in relation to counties with socially vulnerable populations and low COVID-19 vaccination coverage and the importance of weekly assessments to inform federal planning of outreach and educational awareness activities.

SPEAKER(S):
Dana H. Meranus, PhD, MPH – Epidemiologist, Leidos, Washington, District of Columbia

Association of Public Health Laboratories Response to COVID-19 Pandemic | 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM

This poster will discuss APHL’s response to the COVID-19 pandemic, highlight the value of public-private partnerships during a pandemic and offer key considerations that can help mitigate the impact of future public health emergencies.

SPEAKER(S):
Stephanie Barahona, BS – Associate Specialist, Association Of Public Health Laboratories, Derwood, Maryland
Jill Sutton, BS – Specialist, Emergency Preparedness and Response, Association of Public Health Laboratories

ASTHO Technical Assistance for COVID-19 Response | 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM

Providing technical assistance to members and partners is a critical component of ASTHO’s COVID-19 response. This session will provide an overview of the mechanics used for triaging and tracking technical assistance and share key metrics of ASTHO’s technical assistance requests over time.

SPEAKER(S):
Margaux K. Haviland, MPH – Director, Preparedness & Response Coordination, Association of State and Territorial Health Officials, Arlington, Virginia
Amelia Poulin, MPH, CPH, CAPM – Senior Analyst, Infectious Disease Outbreak Response and Recovery, Association of State and Territorial Health Officials, Arlington, Virginia
Automated Contact Tracing System in Utah using existing surveillance system for COVID-19 response | 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM

The design and implementation of an Automated Contact Tracing System to alleviate human capacity constraints, increase speed for contact notification, and reach more contacts per SARS-CoV-2 positive person. Utilizing existing systems, ACTS can be used for diseases beyond COVID-19.

SPEAKER(S):
Nicole B. Roberts, MPHTM – COVID-19 Contact Tracing Program Manager, Utah Department of Health, Salt Lake City, Utah
JoDee S. Baker, MPH – Senior Health Informaticist, Utah Department of Health, Salt Lake City, Utah

Characterization of Farmworker Mobility to Inform COVID-19 Vaccination Strategies, Yuma County, AZ | 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM

Agricultural workers face challenges gaining access to COVID-19 vaccination. Coordination between local health departments, employers, community-based organizations, and other partners to offer vaccination services at worksites or other convenient locations where workers congregate can help improve access to COVID-19 vaccines for this population.

SPEAKER(S):
Katherine Franc, DVM, MPH – Epidemic Intelligence Service Officer, CDC

Closing the Gap: Integration of Resilience and Equity Branch Covid-19 Pandemic Response | 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM

Harris County Public Health Office of Public Health Preparedness and Response (OPHPR) will share strategies on successfully incorporating community resilience and health equity personnel in emergency response to enhance situational awareness during operational decision making in the Covid-19 Response.

SPEAKER(S):
Kyle T. Maronie – Community Resilience Specialist, Harris County Public Health, Houston, Texas
Colorado Crisis Counseling Program: Covid-19 as seen across the state | 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM

The Colorado Crisis Counseling Program is a free and anonymous state-wide mental health response to Covid-19 during which community mental health providers in tandem with Colorado Department of Public Health & Environment, FEMA, and SAMHSA has launched the Colorado Spirit program to support the impacts of Covid-19 across Colorado.

SPEAKER(S):
Juliet Madsen, MS – Program Coordinator, Colorado Department of Public Health & Environment, Denver, Colorado
Johnn Young, Team Lead, Colorado Crisis Counseling Program – Community Resource Navigator, The Center for African American Health, Denver

Community Activation: A Playbook for Planning and Executing Effective Public Health Campaigns | 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM

The Community Activation Playbook was born from a successful COVID-19 donor activation campaign during the federal government’s pandemic response. As the Playbook is extensible to other community activation activities, this session will share the Playbook’s tools, resources, and lessons learned to support future public health campaigns.

SPEAKER(S):
James O’Neal, MBA, MISM – Principal, Health and Life Sciences, Health Innovation, The MITRE Corporation, Dumfries, Virginia

MODERATOR:
Cynthia K. Hansen, PhD – Senior Principal, Biosecurity & Equity, MITRE, Washington, District of Columbia
Community Disaster Dialysis Preparedness: Hurricane Flood Modeling for Planning and Exercises | 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM

Disaster dialysis can be challenging. When centers close, hospitals can find themselves inundated with patients needing routine and emergency dialysis. Find out how the University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston (UTMB) took a community-based approach to improve resilience for the 2021 Hurricane Season using computer modeling of floods.

SPEAKER(S):
Michael J. Mastrangelo, MBA – Associate Vice President for Institutional Preparedness, UTMB Health, Galveston, Texas

Connecting Organizations with Resources to Help Older Adults and their Caregivers During Emergencies | 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM

Public health emergencies—including disease outbreaks like COVID-19, natural disasters, and severe weather—can disproportionately affect older adults. Search. Find. Help. is an online resource library that can help organizations find interventions and programs to support older adults and their caregivers during public health emergencies.

SPEAKER(S):
Alycia Bayne, MPA – Principal Research Scientist, NORC at the University of Chicago, Bethesda, Maryland
Alaina Whitton, MPH – Emergency Response Officer, CDC Foundation, Atlanta

COVID-19 and Local Health Departments: Findings from the 2020 Forces of Change Study | 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM

Challenges faced by local health departments (LHDs) related to COVID-19 pandemic preparedness and response are highlighted based on findings of the 2020 National Association of County and City Health Officials Forces of Change Study, a nationally representative survey of LHDs in 2020.

SPEAKER(S):
COVID-19 and the Nursing Workforce--Impacts and Implications for Building Resilient Communities | 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM

During the session, the presenters will review the important contributions that nurses make to building community resilience, the impacts of COVID-19 on the nursing workforce, and how these impacts, including ongoing nurse staffing shortages, may impact public health and healthcare system strengthening efforts moving forward.

SPEAKER(S):
Tener Goodwin Veenema, PhD, MPH, MS, RN, FAAN – Visiting Scholar, Johns Hopkins Center for Health Security, Baltimore, Maryland
Diane Meyer, RN, MPH – Research Associate, Johns Hopkins Center for Health Security, Baltimore, Maryland

COVID19 MRC Volunteer Best Practices from Cuyahoga County, OH | 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM

COVID19 MRC Volunteer Best Practices from Cuyahoga County, OH
SPEAKER(S):
Rebecca Hysing, MPH – Regional Public Health Coordinator, Cuyahoga County Board of Health, Parma, Ohio

COVID-19 Outbreaks Among Three Hypothermia Shelters in Fairfax County, Virginia, 2021 | 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM
In February 2021, several Fairfax County agencies responded to outbreaks at three hypothermia shelters. Utilizing bed mapping for contact tracing, enhanced surveillance testing, providing resources for isolation & quarantine, and inter-agency partnership were actions that mitigated significant continued transmission in these high-risk settings.

SPEAKER(S):
Alexandra R. Buck, MPH – Epidemiologist, Fairfax County Health Department, FAIRFAX, Virginia
Barbara L. Downes, MS, CIC – Manager, Fairfax County Health Department, Fairfax, Virginia

COVID-19 Projections as Important Components of Effective Preparedness Planning | 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM

Projections of population disease spread and outcomes are useful for public health decision-making. We used stochastic simulations and local and state COVID-19 databases to extract transmission and clinical parameters. We assessed the transmission effects of a set of targeted measures before the 2020 winter holiday season in 3 Kentucky regions.

SPEAKER(S):
Bert B. Little, PhD – Professor, University of Louisville, School of Public Health and Information Sciences, Louisville, Kentucky
William P. McKinney, MD – Associate Dean for Research, University of Louisville School of Public Health and Information Sciences, Louisville, Kentucky
Seyed M. Karimi, PhD – Assistant Professor, University of Louisville & Louisville Metro Department of Public Health and Wellness, Louisville, Kentucky

COVID-19 Response Among U.S. Hospitals with Emerging Special Pathogen Programs | 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM

NETEC surveyed 20 facilities that participated in readiness assessment of their special pathogen programs. Results demonstrated that collaboration with NETEC in training and assessment accelerated capability to respond to a novel respiratory pathogen and that having a special pathogen program augmented hospital response efforts for COVID-19.

SPEAKER(S):
COVID-19 Vaccinations and the Importance of Capacity Building and Partnerships | 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM

Vaccinations to combat the COVID-19 Pandemic in Saint Louis County were offered to the community through several different lines of effort. In order to do so, Saint Louis County Department of Public Health collaborated with our partners and leveraged their specific capabilities and resources to exceed our planned throughput.

SPEAKER(S):
Zachary Koch, MPH – Regional Response Planner, Saint Louis County Department of Public Health, Berkeley, Missouri

Data MacGyvering for Equitable Action | 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM

The NYC Health Department developed a data system, The Metric Matrix, to easily display information for planning and equitable action across the healthcare system. This will provide an example of an accessible and efficient way to present data to provide situational awareness with an equity lens.

SPEAKER(S):
April Koehler, BA – Healthcare Systems Support Branch Data Specialist, NYC Department of Health and Mental Hygiene
Arlen Zamula, MPH – HSSB Branch Director, NYC DOHMH, Queens, New York
Patrico Tyrell, MPH – Graduate Teaching Assistant, University at Albany, State University of New York, Albany, New York
Evaluating National Health Security in the Era of COVID-19 | 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM

This poster will provide insight on COVID-19's impact on national health security, using National Health Security Strategy evaluation data to explore policy changes, promising practices, and innovative response strategies utilized in the response. Additionally, attendees can share their priorities for future preparedness and response efforts.

SPEAKER(S):
Michael Fucci, n/a – Management Analyst, HHS/ASPR
Darrin Donato, n/a – Chief; Domestic Policy Branch, HHS/ASPR, Washington, District of Columbia

Evaluation of a local health department's response to the COVID-19 pandemic | 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM

The DeKalb County Board of Health conducted an After-Action Review in September 2021 to examine the best practices and challenges faced by each Incident Command Section during the COVID-19 response. The review aimed to identify the best solutions to address the challenges that the DCBOH continues to face.

SPEAKER(S):
Zoe Schneider, MPH – Epidemiologist 1, Dekalb County Board of Health / Emory University, Atlanta, Georgia
Ronak D. Ghiya, MD – Resident Physician, Emory University, Atlanta, Georgia

False Beliefs and Attitude are Barriers to COVID-19 Vaccination and Prompts Pandemic Volunteerism | 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM

A cross sectional survey of pandemic response volunteers during the first half of 2021 found hours volunteered increased from 20 to 56 who saw attitude as a barrier to vaccination. Superstition and fear accounted for 99.8% of the unvaccinated persons (adjusted R square .998, unstandardized beta .455, p<.001).

SPEAKER(S):
Donald Brannen, PhD – Epidemiologist and MRC Unit Leader, Greene County Public Health, Xenia, Ohio
Melissa Howell, MS, MBA, MPH, RN, RS – Health Commissioner, Greene County Public Health, Xenia, Ohio

**Findings: The Impacts of COVID-19 on Communities of Color (IC3) | 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM**

The Impacts of COVID-19 on Communities of Color (IC3) study sheds light on the greatest needs of America’s most vulnerable communities using vulnerability analysis/mapping, national and state-level polling, and interviews with leaders in community-based organizations within hard-hit communities.

**SPEAKER(S):**
Temitope Akintimehin, n/a – Senior Program Analyst, Healthcare Ready, Washington, District of Columbia
Natalie Florez – Program Analyst, Healthcare Ready, Washington, District of Columbia

**Greater than the sum of its parts: Improving multisector planning with systems engineering | 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM**

Healthcare delivery systems (HCDS) are dynamic and complex. In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, HCDS adapted to the surge in patients by re-prioritizing services. Widespread changes to HCDS have highlighted longstanding weaknesses and new approaches are needed to improve preparedness and resilience for future events.

**SPEAKER(S):**
Tom Berg, PhD – Assistant Professor, University of Tennessee
Julie Crumly, PhD MCHES – Senior Technical Specialist, ORAU, Oak Ridge, Tennessee

**Health Care and Supportive Services in General Population Disaster Shelters | 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM**
The purpose of this research is to describe the incidences of needs and actions on the C-MIST worksheet within domestic general population shelters following a hurricane event. It is a beginning in the efforts to document and accurately describe services and health care rendered in shelter environments.

SPEAKER(S):
Ashlea Bennett-Milburn, PhD – Associate Professor, University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, Arkansas
Charleen McNeill, PhD, MSN, RN – Associate Dean for Academic Affairs, The University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center, Edmond, Oklahoma
Lauren Clay, PhD, MPH – Department Chair, University of Maryland, Baltimore County, Baltimore, Maryland
Mary Casey-Lockyer, MHS, BSN, RN – Senior Associate, Disaster Health Services Program Lead, American Red Cross, Long Beach, Indiana

HHS Office of Inspector General Rapid Assessment Framework for HHS Emergency Response Efforts | 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM

The U.S. continues to face more complex public health emergencies. HHS OIG has developed a framework to facilitate rapid data collection to inform near real-time observations and suggested improvements, to allow more immediate HHS program feedback. We recently piloted aspects of this framework during COVID-19 vaccination efforts.

SPEAKER(S):
Lauren Buss – Team Leader, HHS, Office of Inspector General, Atlanta, Georgia
Margaret Naughton, n/a – Team Leader, HHS, Office of Inspector General
Dwayne Grant, n/a – Regional Inspector General, HHS, Office of Inspector General

Highlights of the CDC Foundation’s Strategic Implementation Efforts to Combat the COVID-19 Pandemic | 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM

The CDC Foundation will share their deep experience in emergency response strategies developed and utilized during the COVID-19 pandemic, with a specific focus on unique interventions, both medical and non-pharmaceutical, that have been deployed to limit adverse health impacts related to COVID-19 domestically and internationally.

SPEAKER(S):
How to Identify, Prevent and Mitigate Threats of Heat-Related Illnesses in Central Texas, 2018-2020 | 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM

Heat-related illness and mortality surveillance reports for Central Texas can drive mitigation recommendations for emergency managers and generate new ways for Williamson County and Cities Health District (WCCHD). These efforts would provide timely recommendations and education for heat safety to improve the health of Williamson County.

SPEAKER(S):
Kelsey Murray, MPH – Emergency Preparedness and Disability Specialist, Williamson County and Cities Health District, Round Rock, Texas

Implementation of Hologic Panther Fusion System to Improve SARS-CoV-2 Testing Workflow | 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM

A need for open access platform to meet the needs of high throughput testing and rapidly implement diagnostic testing in response to emerging infectious disease in a public health laboratory

SPEAKER(S):
Pushker Raj, PhD – Chief, Immunology Virology Unit, DC Department of Forensic Sciences, Public Health Laboratory, Washington, District of Columbia

TA in the times of COVID: Technical Assistance of National Public Health Associations | 1:30 PM – 3:00 PM

National public health membership organizations, including ASTHO, NACCHO, and AIM, will provide an in-depth look at processes and systems used to receive, triage,
and respond to requests for technical assistance over the last 24 months. Presenters will highlight data on key trends, including types of requests, requestors, themes, and more.

SPEAKER(S):
Laura M. I Biesiadecki, MSPH – Senior Director, Preparedness, National Association of County and City Health Officials, Washington, District of Columbia
Claire Hannan, MPH – Executive Director, Association of Immunization Managers

MODERATOR:
Margaux K. Haviland, MPH – Director, Preparedness & Response Coordination, Association of State and Territorial Health Officials, Arlington, Virginia


Individuals with disability, access and functional needs (DAFN) are disproportionately impacted by emergencies. This session will focus on best practices developed by NYC’s DOHMH Office of Emergency Preparedness and Response (OEPR) to support individuals with DAFN in operational planning, training and response operations.

SPEAKER(S):
Jessica Barcellona, MPH – Director, Emergency Field Operations Planning and Training, NYC Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, Long Island City, New York


Emphasize the need to expand the 15 PHEP Capabilities and include equity as an independent 16th capability. Using COVID-19 as a platform, support the need for equity in public health emergency preparedness planning assumptions and identify the integration of Social Determinates of Health (SDOH).

SPEAKER(S):
Theodore B. McCoy, MPA, FEMA Advanced Professional Series – Emergency Preparedness Planner, Franklin County Public Health, Columbus, Ohio
Environmental Health Professionals: Essential Functions in Disaster Preparedness Response & Recovery | 3:30 PM – 4:15 PM

This session will address the critical importance of including environmental health (EH) leadership in preparing for, responding to, and recovering from disasters. Participants will engage in dialogue about EH hazards and issues faced during disasters, and will discuss the role of EH specialists and their specialized functions and capabilities.

SPEAKER(S):
Jesse C. Bliss, MPH – Director of Program and Partnership Development, National Environmental Health Association, Denver, Colorado
Michéle Samarya-Timm, MA, HO, MCHES, REHS, DLAAS – Senior Project Analyst, Environmental Health, Program and Partnership Development, National Environmental Health Association, Denver, Colorado

Establish Resilience Hubs to Serve the Needs of Vulnerable Communities | 3:30 PM – 4:15 PM

The Resilience Hubs Initiative create partnerships between local governments and nongovernmental organizations. The hubs serve as a gathering place to distribute resources, exchange information, and express community care during disasters. The hubs are designed to address the existing critical services inequities.

SPEAKER(S):
Darrell Small, MS, CEM – Emergency Management Specialist, PGC, Office of Emergency Management, Severn, Maryland
Alexandra D. Harris, MPH – Emergency Management Specialist, N/A, Landover, Maryland

Harnessing the Power of Data to Effectively Support and Direct a Pandemic Response | 3:30 PM – 4:15 PM

The COVID pandemic required thoughtful, decisive and innovative approaches to organize the emergency preparedness and healthcare communities in a coordinated effort to mitigate the harm exhibited by the spread of the virus. In this
session, attendees will experience how data can be leveraged to coordinate pandemic response efforts.

SPEAKER(S):  
Cathleen D. Bennett, JD, MPA – President & CEO, NJHA; former Commissioner of Health, State of New Jersey, New Jersey Hospital Association, Princeton, New Jersey  
Sean Hopkins, BS – Senior Vice President, Center for Health Analytics, Research & Transformation, New Jersey Hospital Association, Princeton, New Jersey

Healthcare Coalition role in bistate interdisciplinary information sharing, awareness and response | 3:30 PM – 4:15 PM

Mid-America Regional Council (MARC) and St. Louis Area Response System (STARRS) coordinate two of the three health care coalitions in the state of Missouri. Presenters will discuss methods identified for broad information sharing, situational awareness and cross-sector partnerships; along with challenges identified and methods for mitigation.

SPEAKER(S):  
Jennifer W. Sutherlin, MPH, BSN – Emergency Services Health & Medical Program Mgr; HCC & MO Reg A Readiness & Response Coord., Mid-America Regional Council, Kansas city, Missouri  
Brad Zoref, MPA – St. Louis Health Care Coalition Readiness & Response Coordinator, St. Louis Area Regional Response System (STARRS), St. Louis, Missouri

Improving Healthcare Coalition Operational Response with Structured Workshops and Exercises | 3:30 PM – 4:15 PM

The Mountain Plains RDHRS conducted a series of workshops in tabletop fashion to enhance Healthcare Coalition operational response. This format focused on identifying gaps and working across regional boundaries resulting in more robust operational plans. We will describe the steps to replicate this process in an interactive session.

SPEAKER(S):  
Charles Little, DO – Medical Director Mountain Plains Regional Disaster Health Response System, University of Colorado, Aurora, Colorado
People experiencing homelessness (PEH) are at a high risk for water, sanitation, and hygiene-related health conditions, and should be incorporated into emergency plans. With local health departments (LHDs) at the forefront of emergency preparedness and response, this session will highlight how LHDs are incorporating PEH into their emergency plans.

**SPEAKER(S):**
Deise Galan, DrPH, MPH – Senior Program Analyst, NACCHO, Washington, District of Columbia

Pre-pandemic modalities for disaster Quick Response Research entailed research teams physically traveling to gather ephemeral early response data. An approach significantly disrupted by non-pharmacological pandemic interventions. Decolonized and decentralized QRR modalities offer options for community as capable QRR agents and knowledge experts.

**SPEAKER(S):**
Njoki Mwarumba, Ph.D. – Assistant Professor, University of Nebraska Omaha, Omaha, Nebraska

This working session is designed to seek stakeholder feedback from all levels of government and industry partners to help inform the Regional Disaster Health Response System (RDHRS) strategy. We will focus on lessons learned, potential
strategic directions, and discuss opportunities for best aligning the RDHRS to complement existing structures.

SPEAKER(S):
Brittney Seiler, MPA – Senior Advisor, ASPR/NHPP, Washington, District of Columbia

The Future of Emergency Preparedness: Training the Next Generation of Case Investigators | 3:30 PM – 4:15 PM

This session will provide an overview of how Arizona created and trained a statewide COVID-19 Case Investigation/Contact Tracing team during the pandemic. It will also provide an overview of how these resources will be used in the future to enhance public health efforts moving forward.

SPEAKER(S):
Jonica S. Inch, MPH – Rapid Response Program Director, Arizona Department of Health Services, Phoenix, Arizona
Rebecca Scranton, MPH – STI Control Program Manager, Arizona Department of Health Services, Phoenix, Arizona

The long road to nowhere: When long term response becomes everyday work | 3:30 PM – 4:15 PM

Long duration responses, like the opioid epidemic and now COVID-19, seem to keep going and going, often morphing into everyday practice without ever fully “demobilizing”. The Pennsylvania Department of Health will share lessons learned in long duration events and provide strategies for the transition of COVID-19 response.

SPEAKER(S):
Andrew D. Pickett, MS – Director, Bureau of Emergency Preparedness and Response, Pennsylvania Department of Health, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania
Raphael Barishansky, DrPH(c), MPH, MS – Deputy Secretary, Health Preparedness and Community Protection, Pennsylvania Department of Health
Using EPA Protective Action Guidelines to Adjust Radiological Response Plans during a Pandemic | 3:30 PM – 4:15 PM

Radiation risks rarely occur in isolation from other workplace and societal risks. This session will review radiation risk considerations and adjustments that were addressed throughout the COVID-19 pandemic from the perspectives of state regulatory oversight and protective action recommendations in radiation emergency response preparedness.

SPEAKER(S):
Angela Leek, CHP – Bureau Chief, Radiological Health, Iowa Department of Public Health, Norwalk, Iowa

An Incident Within an Incident: How to Plan for the Unexpected While Living the Unprecedented | 3:30 PM – 5:00 PM

In February 2021, Texas experienced one of the most impactful winter storms in recent history. Local health departments have years of experience responding and planning, including for incidents within incidents; but it is one thing to plan for contingencies, and another thing to respond to multiple emergent needs at once.

SPEAKER(S):
Michael McClendon, n/a – Director, Office of Public Health Preparedness and Response, Harris County Public Health, Houston, Texas
Alison Hare, MIA – Interim Chief/Community Resilience Officer, Harris County Public Health, Houston, Texas

Challenges & lessons learned responding to concurrent hazards: 2020 Glass Fire and COVID-19 Pandemic | 3:30 PM – 5:00 PM

Sonoma County Department of Health Services (DHS) experienced firsthand the challenges in dealing with concurrent hazards during the fall of 2020, when the Glass Fire broke out during the ongoing COVID-19 disease outbreak response. The response required the development of innovative solutions, which addressed concurrent response challenges.

SPEAKER(S):
Dr. Kismit Baldwin, Doctor of Medicine – Deputy Health Officer, Sonoma County Public Health Division
Dr. Mary Maddux, Doctor of Medicine and Master in Public Health – Public Health Preparedness Consultant Sonoma County, Sonoma County Public Health

MODERATOR:
Cynthia Chimonyo, BA and MA – Preparedness Program Evaluation Analyst, Sonoma County Public Health Division, Santa Rosa, California

Concurrent emergencies and incidents: Managing the pandemic response and [fill in the blank] | 3:30 PM – 5:00 PM

Local public health was on the front lines of the COVID-19 pandemic and during that time faced many other emergencies and hazards including hurricanes, civil unrest, and wildfires. This session will present case studies, share lessons learned, and discuss best practices to prioritize and allocate resources during concurrent emergencies.

SPEAKER(S):

MODERATOR:
Carina Elsenboss, MA – Preparedness Director, Public Health-Seattle and King County, Seattle, Washington

Dropping the 1—A Health System Approach to Reducing Accidental 9-1-1 Calls | 3:30 PM – 5:00 PM

Healthcare-based emergency preparedness programs are uniquely positioned to support a variety of events which impact operations. After Kari’s Law was enacted, the Mass General Brigham system saw a significant increase in accidental 9-1-1 calls, use of a multidisciplinary task force was essential to develop appropriate mitigation strategies.

SPEAKER(S):
Cornel Ramos, n/a – Project Manager, Mass General Brigham, Somerville, Massachusetts
Jennifer Andonian, n/a – Program Manager, Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston, Massachusetts

**Are You Ready For This: Development of Just-In-Time Training to Support No/Low Notice CBRNE Events | 4:30 PM – 5:15 PM**

Recognizing the need for adaptable All-Hazards training resources that are practically useful for healthcare responders during disasters, the R1 RDRHS developed a Just-in-Time Training Toolkit to support the rapid development of training tools for hospitals. This will assist with the development and delivery of emergency of trainings on-demand.

**SPEAKER(S):**
Stefanie A. Lane, MPH, MS – Biothreats Program Manager, Massachusetts General Hospital, Brookline, Massachusetts
Meredith Hutchins, MPH – Senior Project Manager, Region 1 RDHRS, Massachusetts General Hospital

**Beyond the Pandemic: The Need for Business and Public Health Alignment to Create Healthy Communities | 4:30 PM – 5:15 PM**

Public health organizations can benefit by leveraging the reach and resources of the private sector. Businesses can strengthen their resiliency through deeper engagement in public health. This session will deliver concrete recommendations to drive stronger alignment between the two sectors, and debut the "Pandemic Preparedness Playbook."

**SPEAKER(S):**
Judy Munroe, Dr. Monroe received her doctor of medicine from the University of Maryland and a bachelor of science degree from Eastern Kentucky University. She completed her residency in family medicine at the University of Cincinnati, a rural faculty development fellowship through East Tennessee State University, and a mini-fellowship in obstetrics through the University of Wisconsin. She also participated in the State Health Leadership Initiative at Harvard University’s Kennedy School of Government and received an honorary doctorate from Purdue University in Health and Human Services. – President and CEO, CDC Foundation, Georgia, Georgia
Stephen Massey, n/a – Co-founder, Meteorite, Los Angeles, California
Conventional, Contingency, and Crisis Standards of Care in COVID-19: Theory to Reality | 4:30 PM – 5:15 PM

Within the first weeks of the COVID-19 pandemic, the Knox/East Tennessee Healthcare Coalition (KETHC) realized it was time to come to the table and formalize a plan for a regional Crisis Standards of Care Task Force to confront the potential public health emergency presented by the COVID-19 pandemic.

SPEAKER(S):
Janet Rowe, MPH, MS, CSP, CHEP – Director Environment, Health, Safety & Emergency Management, University of Tennessee Medical Center, Knoxville, Tennessee
Tina Dudney, MD – Division Chief, Pulmonary Critical Care and Program Director, Pulmonary Critical Care Fellowship, UT Graduate School of Medicine, Knoxville, Tennessee
Annette Mendola, PhD, HEC-C – Director of Clinical Ethics, Associate Professor, University of Tennessee Medical Center, Knoxville, Tennessee

Developing and Utilizing MRC Strike Teams to address vaccine hesitancy in vulnerable populations | 4:30 PM – 5:15 PM

This session will discuss how Oklahoma County MRC collaborated to address vaccine hesitancy within marginalized communities by developing & deploying specialized Strike Teams. The session will discuss strategy for building volunteer leaders, community partnerships & trust, creating a diverse MRC unit, examples of creative deployments.

SPEAKER(S):
Dominique Baradaran, Masters of Science in Management (MSM) – Community Coordinator, OCCHD, OKC, Oklahoma
Julia Reynolds, Bachelor of Arts (Geography) – Community Resiliency Coordinator, Oklahoma City-County Health Department, Norman, Oklahoma

Disability and Access and Functional Needs at Vaccine Clinics | 4:30 PM – 5:15 PM

Providing equitable vaccination services starts with understanding the needs of the disability community. True equitable service means integrating AFN resources into
public health efforts from start to finish and considering a wide variety of needs in the planning of each activity.

SPEAKER(S):
Liam Dougherty, MPA, BA – Access and Functional Need Coordinator, Philadelphia DPH, BT-PHP (Bioterrorism and Public Health Preparedness), PHILADELPHIA, Pennsylvania

**Disaster Research Response (DR2): Collaborative Practices in the Wake of a Pandemic | 4:30 PM – 5:15 PM**

An introduction to the revamped NIH Disaster Research Response (DR2) web-based resources portal, its ability to host specific collections of interest in disasters (COVID-19), and additional DR2 program efforts, including Federal Inter-Agency wildfire data integration efforts.

SPEAKER(S):
Aubrey Miller, n/a – Senior Medical Advisor, NIH/NIEHS, Bethesda, Maryland
Richard Kwok, n/a – Staff Scientist, NIH/NIEHS

**Dual Disaster Handbook: Guidance for Local Communities Dealing with Floods During COVID-19 | 4:30 PM – 5:15 PM**

As communities across the Nation experience worsening floods during COVID-19, these “dual disasters” demonstrate how natural hazards compound existing health and socioeconomic inequities. In this session, the American Flood Coalition will present its recommendations and reflect on the past 2+ years of flooding during COVID-19

SPEAKER(S):
Gian Tavares, n/a – Senior Strategy Associate, American Flood Coalition, Washington, Maryland
Matthew Rowland, n/a – Policy Director, American Flood Coalition, Washington, Maryland
emPOWERing Outreach for Wildfire Response | 4:30 PM – 5:15 PM

To reach vulnerable and power-dependent residents impacted by power outages and wildfires, San Mateo County Health developed a protocol to identify and notify, using the federal emPOWER data. Presenters will share the program and outline how other jurisdictions can implement similar programs to reach vulnerable residents during all-hazards events.

SPEAKER(S):
Shruti Dhapodkar, MD – Health Emergency Preparedness Manager, San Mateo County Health, South San Francisco, California

From New York to Los Angeles: The value of true partnerships during the largest pandemic response | 4:30 PM – 5:15 PM

From the beginning of the COVID pandemic, dealing with the personal protective equipment (PPE) shortages to almost 2 years later and efforts to mass vaccinate the entire population, New York City and Los Angeles County share lessons learned about finding and working with the right strategic partner for the mission.

SPEAKER(S):
Jee Kim, EdD, MPH – MCM Dispensing and Emergency Staffing Manager, Los Angeles County Department of Public Health, Los Angeles, California
David T. Starr, MIA – Assistant Commissioner, Emergency Field Operations, NYC Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, Long Island City, New York
Jarred Mickle, BS, MAT, APICs CSCP – Director, Operations and Logistics, Bureau of Emergency Field Operations, New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene

MODERATOR:
Sam Ha, MPA – Analyst, County of Los Angeles Department of Public Health

Keeping Connection: How we remained on "the ground" during the 1st wave of the Novel Corona Virus | 4:30 PM – 5:15 PM

The Community Partner Engagement Unit (CPE) of the New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene was stood up in response to Novel Coronavirus outbreak to engage with partners in January 2020. Learn how the Unit adapted from a traditional "on the ground" outreach to a successful digital model.
Knowing More Leads to Doing More: How Fusion of Multiple Systems Leads to an Improved Response | 4:30 PM – 5:15 PM

The first step in a response is to gain situational awareness. Developing technical systems that collect information easily and make that information available to others is key to a robust and controlled response. Here we will demonstrate the in-house system and processes utilized for data collection during the COVID-19 Pandemic.

SPEAKER(S):
Jeff C. Sexton, n/a – Clinical Applications Coordinator, Tennessee Department of Health, Nashville, Tennessee
Meisha R. Millwee, n/a – Project Coordinator, Tennessee Department of Health Emergency Preparedness, Nashville, Tennessee

MODERATOR:

Mental Health and Our Changing Climate | 4:30 PM – 5:15 PM

Join us for an overview of a new report from ecoAmerica and American Psychological Association, Mental Health and Our Changing Climate, which chronicles impacts of climate change on mental health and provides guidance and resources to act. Expanded sections include populations disproportionately impacted, climate anxiety, and spectrum of solutions.

SPEAKER(S):
Nicole Hill
Partnership Projects with American Indian Communities to Build Resilience during COVID-19 | 4:30 PM – 5:15 PM

The CDC Foundation will share expertise on strategies during the COVID-19 pandemic to enhance coordination and partnership with Native American communities. This has supported the bridging of critical gaps related to COVID-19 response efforts, and allowed an opportunity to strengthen workforce and resources to improve resiliency and preparedness.

SPEAKER(S):
Suzanne McMillan, MSPH – Emergency Response Monitoring & Evaluation Officer, CDC Foundation, Arlington, Virginia
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Ramot Adeboyejo, MPH – Emergency Response Officer, CDC Foundation, Lawrenceville, Georgia

Responding to the COVID Pandemic: Bridging the Personnel Resource Gap with MRC Mission Ready Teams | 4:30 PM – 5:15 PM

Limited personnel resources may prevent public health from responding to pandemic efficiently and effectively. Presenters will share how MRC Los Angeles created and organized their MRC members into Mission Ready Teams (MRT) to support public health emergency missions to mass vaccinate in response to COVID pandemic.

SPEAKER(S):
Jee Kim, EdD, MPH – MCM Dispensing and Emergency Staffing Manager, Los Angeles County Department of Public Health, Los Angeles, California

MODERATOR:
Joseph K. Kim, MBA – Disaster Services Analyst/MRC Los Angeles Coordinator, Los Angeles County Department of Public Health, Los Angeles, California

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Collaboration: Training Volunteer Responders Alongside the Rest of the Workforce | 8:00 AM – 8:45 AM
This session will outline available online training resources that support the responder workforce - public health, health care, and emergency preparedness - in taking training together and establishing a foundation for a coordinated response. A group activity will prompt attendees to create sample curricula for responders.

SPEAKER(S):
Ilya Plotkin, MA – Director, TRAIN Learning Network, Public Health Foundation, Washington, District of Columbia

Local Customization of the SNS Chempack Based on Risk: Community Preparedness for Chemical Incidents | 8:00 AM – 8:45 AM

Find out how UTMB Galveston developed a process for local customization of the medical countermeasures for an SNS Chempack in order to better prepare for industrial chemical incidents including accidental releases and deliberate terrorist attacks on chemical facilities, pipelines, or other transport mechanisms.

SPEAKER(S):
Michael J. Mastrangelo, MBA – Associate Vice President for Institutional Preparedness, UTMB Health, Galveston, Texas

Mapping County Vulnerabilities: Building Resilience through Data Analysis and Hazard Communication | 8:00 AM – 8:45 AM

The Community Disaster Resilience Tool (CDRT) is an online map-based tool that helps community leaders understand the risks communities face due to overlapping vulnerabilities through the lens of healthcare infrastructure and community health. This session will demonstrate how to use the tool to inform local planning for preparedness and response.

SPEAKER(S):
Courtney E. Romolt, n/a – Programs Manager, Healthcare Ready, Washington, District of Columbia

Rapid Setup and Operation of a Quarantine Facility in New York City | 8:00 AM – 8:45 AM
NYC Department of Health identified, set up, and opened a quarantine facility within a 3-day period. This was facilitated by adapting materials from our Ebola response and by using capacity built to support NYC's Medical Contermeasure response planning. Previous engagement with various partners proved to be invaluable in our response.

SPEAKER(S):
Mark Misener, MD, MPH – Field Operations Medical Specialist, NYC Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, Long Island City, New York
David T. Starr, MIA – Assistant Commissioner, Emergency Field Operations, NYC Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, Long Island City, New York

Virtual Command Centers in Healthcare - Use in the Pandemic and Beyond | 8:00 AM – 8:45 AM

As the pandemic limited occupancy in conference rooms, the use of virtual platforms emerged as an efficient and effective method for command centers. This method reduces on-site footprint and allows increased mobility of all participants by providing a home for scheduled meetings and open sessions to field incoming calls.

SPEAKER(S):
Marian Von Maszewski, MD – Emergency Readiness Officer, MD Anderson Cancer Center, Houston, Texas
Angela Cone, MBA – Emergency Readiness Specialist, MD Anderson Cancer Center, Spring, Texas

Filling The Staffing Gaps: How MRC Addressed At-Risk Populations | 8:00 AM – 9:30 AM

The MRC of West Georgia activated its rapid deployment Healthcare Intervention Team (HIT) which consisted of medical and non-medical volunteers. The HIT team specialized in mass testing at-risk populations such as Long-Term Care Facilities (LTCF), low income communities and senior centers.

SPEAKER(S):
Xavier S. Crockett, MS – Emergency Preparedness Director, Georgia Department of Public Health - District 4, Stockbridge, Georgia
Yesenia Arreguin, MPH CPH – Former Emergency Preparedness Deputy Director, Georgia Department of Public Health - District 4, Peachtree City, Georgia
GIS is more than mapping: Spatial analysis of COVID-19 vaccine providers to focus MCM partnerships | 8:00 AM – 9:30 AM

Instead of simply mapping locations of MCM dispensing points and visually filling the gaps, spatial accessibility analysis identifies underserved areas based on population and provider capacity. Using Florida’s 8,000 COVID-19 vaccination providers, the goal is finding the optimal set of providers for the best coverage to Florida’s population.

SPEAKER(S):
Stephanie Anspaugh-Naples, MPH – State Medical Countermeasure Coordinator, Florida Department of Health, Tallahassee, Florida
Alina Prigozhina, MS – Preparedness and Response GIS Analyst, Florida Department of Health, Tallahassee, Florida

HHS emPOWER data: Using Data for COVID-19 Vaccination Outreach | 8:00 AM – 9:30 AM

Moderated by HHS emPOWER program director, Los Angeles County, Chicago and New York City will highlight and discuss ways in which emPOWER data can be utilized to engage new partners, identify and outreach to highest-risk individuals, and sustain long-term response actions to protect the most vulnerable individuals within a community.

SPEAKER(S):
Brandon Dean, MPH – Planning Manager, Los Angeles County Department of Public Health--Emergency Preparedness & Response Division, Los Angeles, California
Tamer Hadi, MS – Sr. Director of Technology, Data and Communications, NYC Dept of Health and Mental Hygiene, Long Island City, New York
Peter Ruestow, PhD – Senior Epidemiologist, Chicago Department of Public Health, Chicago, Illinois

MODERATOR:
Kristen P. Finne, Director, HHS emPOWER Program – Director, HHS emPOWER Program and Senior Program Analyst, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response, Washington, District of Columbia
Lessons Learned From the NACCHO Rural and Frontier Workforce Development Program | 8:00 AM – 9:30 AM

Join this session to hear from departments that were part of the innovative COVID-19 workforce development program for rural and frontier communities serving 2 million Americans. The departments range from small to large, from rural to frontier, the Atlantic to the Pacific. But they all benefitted. And you will too!

SPEAKER(S):
Marcy Rein, RN, MPH – Public Health Director, Whitley County Health Department, Williamsburg, Kentucky
Pamela Elliott, Master of Social Work – Finance Administrator, 185 Commercial Drive, Vanceburg, Kentucky
Kari Ladrow, MSW – Director, Moffat County Public Health Department, Craig, Colorado

MODERATOR:
David K. Reddick, CBCP – Chief Strategy Officer, Bio-Defense Network, Kirkwood, Missouri

Leveraging New York City Medical Reserve Corps Volunteers for COVID-19 Response | 8:00 AM – 9:30 AM

SPEAKER(S):
Haddie M. Lizasuain, B.S. – NYC Medical Reserve Corps Director, DOHMH - Office of Emergency Preparedness & Response, Queens, New York

Pediatric Specific MOCC and Telehealth: Tools for Pediatric Surge Preparedness. | 8:00 AM – 9:30 AM

In 2020, FEMA advocated that states establish MOCC. In this session, we will 1) introduce the Pediatric MOCC concept, 2) discuss the development of a Michigan Pediatric MOCC, 3) outline opportunities for telehealth to enhance preparedness, 4) present barriers/solutions to establishing Pediatric-MOCC, and 5) outline plans to expand Pediatric-MOCC.

SPEAKER(S):
Ronald P. Ruffing, MD MPH MPS – Chief Division of Pediatric Emergency Medicine, Central Michigan University College of Medicine, Bloomfield Hills, Michigan

Marie Lozon, MD – Professor Pediatric Emergency Medicine, Chief of Staff, Michigan Medicine, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan

MODERATOR:
Stuart A. Bradin, DO, FAAP, FACEP – Associate Professor of Pediatrics and Emergency Medicine, Attending Physician- Children’s Emergency, The University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan

**Show Your Work: Using Microsoft Forms & Flow to develop your Stats, AAR, HVA, and Improvement Plans | 8:00 AM – 9:30 AM**

Have you dreamed of a simple way to develop an AAR, and keep a departmental dashboard up to date without all the manual data entry? Join us for Show Your Work to see how we developed simple microsoft forms survey to provide us with fast, (and most importantly) usable data.

**SPEAKER(S):**
MARK VANDYKE, M Ed – Manager, Business Assurance, Spectrum Health, Caledonia, Michigan

Mike Gregg, n/a – Business Assurance Specialist, Spectrum Health, Grand Rapids, Michigan

**The Role of Public Health in Healthcare Delivery: Experiences from COVID-19 | 8:00 AM – 9:30 AM**

Looking to learn more about successful public health and healthcare system collaborations during COVID-19 & beyond? Attend this session where speakers will discuss the role played by public health departments in healthcare delivery, MOCCs, & HCCs. Discuss challenges related to supply chain and information sharing and share critical lessons learned.

**SPEAKER(S):**
Shayne Brannman, MS, MA – ASPR TRACIE Program Director, HHS ASPR, Washington, District of Columbia

John Hick, MD – Faculty Emergency Physician; ASPR TRACIE Senior Editor, Hennepin Healthcare; ASPR TRACIE, Minneapolis, Minnesota
In response to COVID-19, San Francisco enhanced a collaboration of hospitals and health systems with the Department of Public Health to coordinate efficient and equitable pandemic response functions including patient distribution, scarce resource allocation, and vaccine operations. This model can be replicated for response to future disasters.

SPEAKER(S):
Amabel Chow, MPH – Vaccine Operations Deputy Director, City and County of San Francisco – Department of Public Health, Zuckerberg San Francisco General Hospital and Trauma Center, San Francisco, California
Lukejohn W. Day, MD – Chief Medical Officer, San Francisco Department of Public Health, Zuckerberg San Francisco General Hospital and Trauma Center, San Francisco, California
Tiffany Rivera, BSN, CEN, TCRN – Deputy Director, Emergency Preparedness and Response Branch, San Francisco Department of Public Health, San Francisco, California

MODERATOR:
Mary Mercer, MD, MPH, FAEMS – Deputy Director, Vaccine Branch, Covid Task Force; Associate Professor of Emergency Medicine, San Francisco Department of Public Health; University of California San Francisco, San Francisco, California

Addressing the COVID-19 Vaccination Needs of People Experiencing Homelessness | 9:00 AM – 9:45 AM

During the COVID-19 vaccine rollout, Philadelphia Department of Public provided education and vaccines for people experiencing homelessness and developed partnerships with organizations serving at-risk groups. We will discuss the
development of the vaccination and education team, and important lessons learned that will inform future efforts.

SPEAKER(S):
Sabrina Gattine, BA – Program Coordinator, Philadelphia Department of Public Health - Immunizations
Nicole Spector, MSN, AGNP-C – Covid-19 Immunization Program Nurse Practitioner, Philadelphia Department of Public Health - Immunizations

MODERATOR:
Claire McKeown, MPH – At-Risk Populations Coordinator, Philadelphia Department of Public Health - Division of Disease Control, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Area Coordination: Optimizing Regional Situational Awareness and Outcomes during the Pandemic | 9:00 AM – 9:45 AM

This session will profile the effective use of Multi-Agency Area Coordination by Yosemite National Park and the four surrounding counties to address the COVID-19 Pandemic response. Shared situational awareness, joint messaging, and shared epidemiological data were amongst the benefits of implementing an Area Coordination Team.

SPEAKER(S):
Eric M. Sergienko, MD/MPH – County Health Officer, Mariposa California County Health and Human Services Agency, Mariposa, California
Kristina Allen, PhD – Deputy Director, Public Health Branch, Mariposa County Health & Human Services Agency, Mariposa, California

MODERATOR:
Paul Bockrath, MPA – Partner, Preparative Consulting, Vacaville, California

Integration of a Master of Public Health Program in community COVID emergency response | 9:00 AM – 9:45 AM

While the pandemic has identified gaps in public health preparedness, it also presented ways to engage Master of Public Health (MPH) programs. This session will discuss actions taken, partnerships established, and challenges overcome for a MPH program to play a significant role in the community COVID response.

SPEAKER(S):
Public Health Preparedness in Support of Refugees, Immigrants, and Migrants: Lessons from COVID-19 | 9:00 AM – 9:45 AM

This session will showcase the National Resource Center for Refugees, Immigrants, and Migrants, a CDC-funded initiative to support health departments and community organizations with COVID-19 response among RIM communities. The session will focus on resources that can be leveraged for preparedness in support of RIM communities beyond COVID-19.

SPEAKER(S):
Erin Mann, MPH – Program Manager, National Resource Center for Refugees, Immigrants and Migrants (NRC-RIM) / University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minnesota

Signed, Sealed, Delivered! COVID-19 Vaccine Distribution in Lake County, IL | 9:00 AM – 9:45 AM

Lake County Health Department has developed a unique software, VacVision, to manage COVID-19 vaccine distribution. VacVision has allowed medical providers to request over 300k doses of vaccine, and future opportunities include distribution of medical countermeasures and personal protective equipment as well as use as an inventory management tool.

SPEAKER(S):
Joseph Amaro, MPH – Emergency Response Specialist, Lake County Health Department
Patricia Corn, LEHP – Emergency Response Coordinator, Lake County Health Department/Community Health Center

Vaccinating Oklahoma County’s Vulnerable Homebound Population During the COVID-19 Pandemic | 9:00 AM – 9:45 AM
This session will discuss how Oklahoma City-County Health Department improved vaccine access for homebound county residents through partner collaboration, targeted messaging, and resource deployment. The session will discuss best practices for identifying, scheduling, and administering vaccine to homebound clients.

SPEAKER(S):
Elizabeth R. Billingsley, RN, BSN – Dispensing Coordinator, Oklahoma City-County Health Department, Midwest City, Oklahoma

**Beyond “Making Contact”: Assessing Long-term Learner Outcomes of a COVID-19 Contact Tracer Training | 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM**

ASTHO/NCSD administered a survey to participants of “Making Contact: A Training for COVID-19 Contact Tracers.” Survey domains include 1) workforce retention; 2) use of course information; 3) training needs. This poster will highlight actionable findings to improve development and delivery for COVID-19 contact tracer trainings.

SPEAKER(S):
Amelia Poulin, MPH, CPH, CAPM – Senior Analyst, Infectious Disease Outbreak Response and Recovery, Association of State and Territorial Health Officials, Arlington, Virginia
Amanda Dennison, MPH – Senior Director, Programs, National Coalition of STD Directors

**Using EMS As A Force Multiplier To Sustain Public Health | 3:30 PM – 8:45 AM**

This session will detail the integration of a rural fire protection district with a regional health district to test and vaccinate the public during COVID-19. This presentations will detail how a 1A vaccine clinic was stood up in a rural fire protection district to take the vaccine the last mile.

SPEAKER(S):
Bruce Evans, MPA – Fire Chief, Upper Pine River Fire, Bayfield, Colorado