



# CALENDAR OF CROSS-BORDER EVENTS



*This calendar features both opportunities that are of interest for educational and collaborative purposes and large public events that may be of cross-border/public health significance.*

## February 2012

- 21-24 2012 PUBLIC HEALTH PREPAREDNESS SUMMIT –  
REGROUP, REFOCUS, REFRESH: SUSTAINING PREPAREDNESS IN AN ECONOMIC CRISIS**  
*The Summit will focus on how to move forward in an environment of limited resources. Public health professionals and partners from across the nation will present new research, new tools, and new practices to build and sustain a progressive public health preparedness infrastructure at the local, state, tribal, and territorial levels. Join your colleagues at the 2012 Summit and take the opportunity to regroup, refocus, and refresh your approach to public health preparedness!*  
Hilton Anaheim Hotel  
Anaheim, California, USA  
<http://www.phprep.org/2012/>

## March 2012

- 26-28 1<sup>ST</sup> NATIONAL IMMUNIZATION CONFERENCE ONLINE –  
IMMUNIZATION: ACCESS FOR ALL!**  
*The goals of the Conference are to provide information that will help participants provide comprehensive immunization coverage for all age groups and explore innovative strategies for developing programs, policy, and research to promote immunization coverage for all age groups. Many topics will be presented, with special emphasis on adolescent, adult, and childhood immunization; communications; epidemiology; HPV vaccine; programmatic issues; surveillance; and vaccine safety. The conference will be entirely online; no travel required for presenters or attendees.*  
Online  
<http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/events/nic/default.htm#goals>
- 30 11<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL MICHIGAN EPIDEMIOLOGY CONFERENCE**  
*The 2012 Michigan Epi Conference planners announce their Keynote Speaker, Dr. Janell Routh, an EIS Officer with the U.S. CDC, who has played a pivotal role in the response to multiple national foodborne outbreaks, including the recent outbreak of Listeria associated with cantaloupe. The conference will also include plenary speakers addressing emerging issues in epidemiology. Poster presentations and breakout sessions will cover many topics including infectious diseases, chronic diseases, maternal & child health epidemiology, environmental health, and careers in epidemiology.*  
MSU Union, Michigan State University  
East Lansing, Michigan, USA  
[www.mipha.org/epidemiology.php](http://www.mipha.org/epidemiology.php)

## April 2012

- 2-4 THE ONTARIO PUBLIC HEALTH CONVENTION (TOPHC) 2012: STAYING AHEAD OF THE CURVE**  
*Public Health Ontario together with the Ontario Public Health Association (OPHA) and the Association of Local Public Health Agencies (ALPHA), are pleased to announce TOPHC 2012.*  
Sheraton Centre Downtown Toronto  
Toronto, Ontario, Canada

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<http://www.tophc.ca/Pages/home.aspx>

**13-18 THE CONFERENCE FOR FOOD PROTECTION**

*The Conference for Food Protection is a unique organization that meets every two years and brings together a wide range of local, state and federal regulatory officials, representatives from the food industry (foodservice, food store, food manufacturing, allied services, and vending), academia and consumer groups. Over the last four meetings, the organization has grown considerably in both visibility and prestige. The 2012 Conference is expected to attract over 400 individuals.*

The Hyatt Regency

Indianapolis, Indiana, USA

<http://www.foodprotect.org/media/meeting/2012%20Reg%20Booklet.pdf>

**23-24 2012 GREAT LAKES BORDER HEALTH INITIATIVE (GLBHI) ANNUAL CONFERENCE**

*This one-day conference, scheduled for Tuesday, April 24, is an opportunity for public health, clinical, laboratory, legal, food protection and emergency management professionals along the international borders of Canada and the United States to gather and discuss ongoing collaborative work regarding infectious disease surveillance. The by-invitation-only food & feed emergency response tabletop exercise and GLBHI Steering and Subcommittee meetings will be held on Monday, April 23.*

The Inn at St. John's

Plymouth, Michigan, USA

Website: [http://www.michigan.gov/mdch/0,4612,7-132-54783\\_54875-231727--,00.html](http://www.michigan.gov/mdch/0,4612,7-132-54783_54875-231727--,00.html)

Save-the-date flyer #1: [http://www.michigan.gov/documents/mdch/Save-the-date\\_flyer\\_1\\_-\\_2012\\_GLBHI\\_Annual\\_Conf\\_375624\\_7.pdf](http://www.michigan.gov/documents/mdch/Save-the-date_flyer_1_-_2012_GLBHI_Annual_Conf_375624_7.pdf)

## May 2012

**1-3 2012 GREAT LAKES HOMELAND SECURITY TRAINING CONFERENCE AND EXPO**

*This annual conference brings together more than 1,200 attendees from a variety of disciplines including law enforcement, fire, public health and health care, school administration, emergency management, and the private sector. It is hosted by the Michigan State Police, Emergency Management and Homeland Security Division; Michigan Department of Community Health, Office of Public Health Preparedness; Michigan Emergency Management Association; and the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Detroit Office. Workshops and presentations provide training and updated information in areas such as public health, critical infrastructure protection, school protection, communications, response, preparedness, bomb threat planning, and technology.*

DeVos Place

Grand Rapids, Michigan, USA

[http://www.michigan.gov/msp/0,4643,7-123-1593\\_3507-236690--,00.html](http://www.michigan.gov/msp/0,4643,7-123-1593_3507-236690--,00.html)

**15-17 9<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL PACIFIC NORTHWEST BORDER HEALTH ALLIANCE (PNWBHA) CROSS BORDER WORKSHOP**

*The annual PNWBHA Workshop is designed to address emerging public health threats, including pandemic influenza preparedness and tracking infectious disease across borders. The theme for the 2012 workshop is "Seismic Events: Health Impacts, Consequences and Preparedness" where the emphasis is on cross border collaboration and cooperative approaches. The theme was selected to acknowledge that all Alliance jurisdictions have the potential to be impacted by an earthquake, tsunami or volcanic eruption. The workshop will provide an opportunity for regional public and private health sector entities and other government agencies to discover, discuss, develop effective border health plans and programs*

Murano Hotel

Tacoma, Washington, USA

Check the PNWBHA website at <http://www.pnwbha.org> for periodic updates, which will be posted in the "Events" folder.

Save-the-date flyer: <http://www.pnwbha.org/wp-content/uploads/2011/10/2012-Poster.pdf>

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- 16** **12<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL MICHIGAN COMMUNICABLE (CD) DISEASE CONFERENCE**  
*The Annual Michigan CD Conference, a 1-day meeting, seeks to provide the latest knowledge on communicable disease diagnosis, surveillance, reporting, lab test interpretation, and incorporation of epidemiologic principals. The target audience includes CD nurses, epidemiologists, medical officers, health officers, infection control professionals, environmental health specialists, physicians, and other health professionals interested in communicable diseases.*  
 Kellogg Center, Michigan State University  
 East Lansing Michigan, USA  
[http://www.michigan.gov/mdch/0,1607,7-132-2945\\_5104\\_53072\\_53076\\_53592---,00.html](http://www.michigan.gov/mdch/0,1607,7-132-2945_5104_53072_53076_53592---,00.html) (for the 2011 CD Conference page – link will be updated when the 2012 Conference materials are posted)
- 20-23** **2012 ASSOCIATION OF PUBLIC HEALTH LABORATORIES (APHL) ANNUAL MEETING & SIXTH STATE ENVIRONMENTAL LABORATORY CONFERENCE**  
*The meetings will consist of a member assembly, keynote session, general and breakout sessions, roundtables and exhibits all over the course of 4 days. This year's meeting will discuss issues ranging from environmental issues to emerging infectious diseases and emergency preparedness, from informatics to food safety, newborn screening and global health.*  
 Westin Hotel  
 Seattle, Washington, USA  
<http://www.aphl.org/conferences/2012AM/Pages/default.aspx>
- 21-25** **2012 INTEGRATED MEDICAL, PUBLIC HEALTH, PREPAREDNESS, AND RESPONSE TRAINING SUMMIT**  
*This summit provides opportunities to advance knowledge, skills, and abilities in disaster preparedness & response to improve capability to deliver public health and medical care services during disasters.*  
 Gaylord Opryland  
 Nashville, Tennessee, USA  
<http://www.integratedtrainingsummit.org/>
- 22-24** **THIRD ANNUAL U.S.-MÉXICO BORDER BINATIONAL INFECTIOUS DISEASE (BBID) CONFERENCE**  
*The purpose of this conference is to convene federal, state, and local partners from both sides of the U.S.-México border to address critical infectious disease issues impacting the border region and discuss potential solutions to address those problems. The conference is hosted by the Texas Office of Border Health and the United States-México Border Health Commission (BHC) Outreach Office of the Texas Department of State Health Services and in partnership with the BHC.*  
 Austin, Texas, USA  
 Save-the-date flyer: [http://www.borderhealth.org/files/res\\_2023.pdf](http://www.borderhealth.org/files/res_2023.pdf)

## June 2012

- 2-6** **116<sup>TH</sup> ASSOCIATION OF FOOD AND DRUG OFFICIALS (AFDO) ANNUAL EDUCATIONAL CONFERENCE**  
 Westin Providence  
 Providence, Rhode Island, USA  
<http://www.afdo.org/conferences.cfm>
- 10-12** **ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL PUBLIC HEALTH AGENCIES (ALPHA) ANNUAL CONFERENCE**  
 Niagara Region, Ontario, Canada
- 13-16** **15<sup>TH</sup> INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS ON INFECTIOUS DISEASES (ICID)**  
*The 15th ICID will be a chance for ongoing collaborative efforts, as well as for individuals, to present and share their experiences fighting infectious diseases.*  
 Bangkok, Thailand  
<http://isid.org/icid/index.shtml>

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- 11-14 CANADIAN PUBLIC HEALTH ASSOCIATION 2012 CONFERENCE –  
PUBLIC HEALTH IN CANADA: CREATING AND SUSTAINING HEALTHY ENVIRONMENTS**  
Shaw Conference Centre  
Edmonton, Alberta, Canada  
<http://www.cpha.ca/en/conferences/conf2012.aspx>
- 22-25 INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR FOOD PROTECTION (IAFP) 2012 ANNUAL MEETING**  
*The Annual Meeting has become the leading meeting concerned with the protection of the worldwide food supply. Each meeting is attended by over 2,500 of the top industry, academic and government food safety professionals.*  
Providence, Rhode Island, USA  
<http://www.foodprotection.org/events/iafp-annual-meeting/>
- 26-28 AMERICAN PUBLIC HEALTH ASSOCIATION (APHA) MIDYEAR MEETING –  
REWIRING FOR THE FUTURE**  
*This Meeting will offer public health professionals and partners the opportunity to learn from experts within and outside of the field about how public health must position itself to address the changing needs and demands it confronts and seize opportunities. It will equip attendees from federal, state, local and tribal organizations with educational, policy and advocacy tools needed for keeping up with and anticipating the changes that will be necessary to “rewire” the public health infrastructure.*  
Charlotte, North Carolina, USA  
<http://www.apha.org/Midyear/>

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