

MIHP Biweekly Update

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Reminder ! April COP

The April Community of Practice webinar will be held on Wednesday, April 24th from 1:00PM - 2:30PM. The topic is "Grief Resources," presented by two members of the MDHHS Infant Health Unit team: Audra Brummel, MPH, CHES®, Infant Health Consultant and Fetal Infant Mortality Review Coordinator, and Michele Niles, MSN, RN, RNC-MNN, CCM, Infant Health Nurse Consultant and FASD Coordinator.

"Grief Resources" webinar: [REGISTER HERE](#)



Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza A(H5N1) Virus: Identification of Human Infection and Recommendations for Investigations and Response

Distributed via the CDC Health Alert Network
April 05, 2024, 1:30 PM ET
CDCHAN-00506

Summary

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) is issuing this Health Alert Network (HAN) Health Advisory to inform clinicians, state health departments, and the public of a recently confirmed human infection with highly pathogenic avian influenza (HPAI) A(H5N1) virus in the United States following exposure to presumably infected dairy cattle. The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) [recently reported detections of](#) highly pathogenic avian influenza A(H5N1) virus in U.S. dairy cattle in multiple states. This Health Advisory also includes a summary of interim [CDC recommendations for preventing, monitoring, and conducting public health investigations of potential human infections with HPAI A\(H5N1\) virus.](#)

Recommendations

CDC's updated recommendations include instructions for infection prevention and control measures, using personal protective equipment (PPE), testing, antiviral treatment, patient investigations, monitoring of exposed persons (including persons exposed to sick or dead wild and domesticated animals and livestock with suspected or confirmed infection with HPAI A(H5N1) viruses), and antiviral chemoprophylaxis of exposed persons.

For More Information

- General Information
 - [Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza A\(H5N1\) Virus in Animals: Interim Recommendations for Prevention, Monitoring, and Public Health Investigations](#)
 - [Technical Update: Summary Analysis of Genetic Sequences of Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza A\(H5N1\) Viruses in Texas](#)
 - [Information on Bird Flu](#)
 - [Past Outbreaks of Avian Influenza in North America](#)
 - [Transmission of Avian Influenza A Viruses Between Animals and People](#)
 - [Avian Influenza in Birds](#)
 - [Reported Human Infections with Avian Influenza A Viruses](#)
 - [Bird Flu Virus Infections in Humans](#)

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Infant Product Recalled

Zazaba International [recalls](#) Grão de Gente Baby Nests due to violations of the safety requirements of Consumer Product Safety Commission's [Safety Standard for Infant Sleep Products](#), posing a suffocation risk and fall and entrapment hazards to infants. Consumers should immediately stop using the recalled Grão de Gente Baby Nests and contact Zazaba International Inc. for instructions on how to properly dispose of the product and receive a full refund.



They also [recall](#) Grão de Gente Crib Bumper Bedding Sets. Infants can suffocate if they roll or move on the crib bumper in a position that obstructs breathing. Padded crib bumpers are banned under the [Safe Sleep for Babies Act of 2021](#).

Good night. Sleep tight. Sleep safe.

Learn more about the safest way for babies to sleep at michigan.gov/safesleep



Distributed via the CDC Health Alert Network
March 18, 2024, 12:30 PM ET
CDCHAN-00504

Increase in Global and Domestic Measles Cases and Outbreaks: Ensure Children in the United States and Those Traveling Internationally 6 Months and Older are Current on MMR Vaccination

Summary

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) is issuing this Health Alert Network (HAN) Health Advisory to inform clinicians and public health officials of an increase in global and U.S. measles cases and to provide guidance on measles prevention for all international travelers aged ≥ 6 months and all children aged ≥ 12 months who do not plan to travel internationally. Measles (rubeola) is highly contagious; one person infected with measles can infect 9 out of 10 unvaccinated individuals with whom they come in close contact. From January 1 to March 14, 2024, CDC has been notified of 58 confirmed U.S. cases of measles across 17 jurisdictions, including seven outbreaks in

seven jurisdictions compared to 58 total cases and four outbreaks reported the entire year in 2023. Among the 58 cases reported in 2024, 54 (93%) were linked to international travel. Most cases reported in 2024 have been among children aged 12 months and older who had not received measles-mumps-rubella (MMR) vaccine. Many countries, including travel destinations such as Austria, the Philippines, Romania, and the United Kingdom, are experiencing measles outbreaks. To prevent measles infection and reduce the risk of community transmission from importation, all U.S. residents traveling internationally, regardless of destination, should be current on their MMR vaccinations. Healthcare providers should ensure children are current on routine immunizations, including MMR. Given currently high population immunity against measles in most U.S. communities, the risk of widescale spread is low. However, pockets of low coverage leave some communities at higher risk for outbreaks.

For More Information

- Parents and International Travelers
 - [Measles Vaccines for Children | CDC](#)
 - [Plan for Travel – Measles | CDC](#)
 - [Global Measles Situation | CDC](#)

- Health Departments and Public Health Professionals
 - [Measles: Information for Public Health Professionals | CDC](#)
 - [CDC Measles Toolkit for Health Departments](#)
 - [Partnering for Vaccine Equity | CDC](#)
 - [Vaccine Preventable Diseases | APHL](#)

- Healthcare Providers
 - [Measles One-Pager for Healthcare Providers | Project Firstline and AAP](#)
 - [Immunization Schedules | CDC](#)
 - [Safety Information for Measles, Mumps, Rubella \(MMR\) Vaccines | CDC](#)
 - [For Healthcare Professionals – Diagnosing and Treating Measles | CDC](#)
 - [Interim Measles Infection Prevention Recommendations in Healthcare Settings | CDC](#)
 - [Measles – Vaccine Preventable Diseases Surveillance Manual | CDC](#)
 - [Rubeola / Measles | CDC Yellow Book 2024](#)
 - [Measles Lab Tools | CDC](#)
 - [Measles Serology | CDC](#)
 - [Measles Specimen Collection, Storage, and Shipment | CDC](#)
 - [Test Directory | Submitting Specimens to CDC | Infectious Diseases Laboratories | CDC](#)
 - [Webinar Thursday, August 17, 2023 - We Must Maintain Measles Elimination in the United States: Measles Clinical Presentation, Diagnosis, and Prevention \(cdc.gov\) \(Free CE\)](#)

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Reminder: Breastfeeding for Professionals Working with Families Course

As a reminder, the online course *Breastfeeding for Professionals Working with Families* is available on the [miHealth.org](https://mihealth.org) training site. This is a **required** course for any new MIHP staff hired on or after October 1, 2023, however it is open to all professionals who wish to improve their awareness of the importance of breastfeeding. This course is designed to provide professionals working with families the tools to build a culture of breastfeeding within the workplace and the families they serve. This course covers the root causes of disparities in breastfeeding rates, information to support consistent messaging about breastfeeding, policies and best practices for breastfeeding in everyday life, and how professionals can champion breastfeeding when communicating with families.

To complete the course, go to [My Courses - \(mihealth.org\)](https://mihealth.org). If you are already registered, log in and locate the course in either the Course Catalog or the My Courses tab. The course is titled, "*Breastfeeding for Professionals Working with Families*." If you are not registered, click on the "Create New User" button and follow the instructions.

The following continuing education credits are awarded for successful completion of this course: 1.0 Nursing contact hour, 1.0 Social Work clock hour, 1.0 LCERP, 1.0 CME, and 1.0 Health Educator contact hour.

If you are having trouble logging in or experiencing any technical issues with the course, please contact SGTraining@mphi.org.

Preventing ACEs Plan of Care Monthly Support Session

Please join us the third Friday of every month to discuss the Preventing ACES Plan of Care. This is a space for MIHP staff members to share their successes and challenges with implementing the new POC2 and ask any questions.

The same Zoom link will be used for each meeting:
<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85952743626>

Meeting ID: 859 5274 3626

These sessions will take place the third Friday of every month from 9:00am to 10:00am EST (April 19, May 17, June 21, July 19, August 16, September 20, October 18, November 15, December 20).

SAVE THE DATE: Virtual Resource Fair May 7, 2024



The Family Center for Children and Youth with Special Health Care Needs, Michigan Family to Family, and Michigan Family Voices are collaborating on our very first Virtual Resource Fair! The Virtual Resource Fair will take place on **May 7th, 2024, from 11:30 am to 1:00 pm**. The event will be hosted on Microsoft Teams.

Audience: Individuals with disabilities and their families/caregivers, Youth, Providers, Community support organizations and professionals.

Purpose: To share information with attendees about the variety of supports, services, and resources available in Michigan for children and youth with disabilities/special health care needs, and their families.

Registration link:

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/parent-professional-connect-call-virtual-resource-fair-tickets-852922142087?aff=oddtcreator>

ACIP RSV IMMUNIZATION SEASONAL RECOMMENDATIONS

CDC has updated its guidance for COVID-19 vaccination as follows:

- New guidance on COVID-19 vaccination and pemivibart (Pemgarda™), a monoclonal antibody authorized for COVID-19 pre-exposure prophylaxis in people who are moderately or severely immunocompromised and meet the [FDA-authorized conditions for use](#).

ACIP RSV Immunization Seasonal Recommendations Summary*

	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug
Infants and children (nirsevimab)		Administer during October–March in most of the continental U.S.						Providers can adjust administration schedules based on local epidemiology.†				
Pregnant people (Pfizer, Abrysvo)	Administer during September–January in most of the continental U.S.					ONLY jurisdictions whose seasonality differs from most of the continental US may administer outside of September–January.†						
Adults 60+ (Pfizer, Abrysvo; GSK, Arexvy)	Offer as early as vaccine is available using shared clinical decision making; continue to offer vaccination to eligible adults who remain unvaccinated.											

Recommended timing for immunization
Timing NOT recommended for immunization, except in limited situations (as indicated in chart)

*The current slide reflects only the seasonal timing of vaccination for each population. For full RSV vaccine recommendations, please see: <https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/hq/acip/rsv/vacc-specific/rsv.html>

April 22-26 is National Infant Immunization Week!



National Infant Immunization Week (NIIW) is a yearly observance held in April, highlighting the importance of protecting children two years and younger from vaccine-preventable diseases (VPDs).

In honor of NIIW, Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) Maternal Infant Health Program (MIHP) would like to highlight some key vaccine related promotional material to help support home visitors by encouraging young families to vaccinate.

Together we can help raise awareness about the importance of vaccines for infants and young children and encourage parents and caregivers to talk their child's healthcare provider about staying up to date on their child's vaccinations!

This week, make it a point to support NIIW efforts by:

- Sharing CDC's updated [NIIW Promotional Resources](#) with your networks.
- Visiting CDC's [Let's RISE Initiative webpage](#):
 - Share [Facts about routine vaccines](#), including that [vaccines are safe](#)
 - Answer [Frequently asked questions for routine immunizations](#)
 - Make [strong vaccinate recommendations](#)
 - Know [when](#) and [where](#) to refer a child for free vaccines, and view the most up to date [vaccine schedule](#)
 - Use [CDC's Milestone Tracker app](#), [developmental growth chart](#), and other free, parent-friendly.
 - *Share* [early child development resources](#) to educate families in monitoring their children's development from birth to age 5.
- **Sharing immunization partner toolkits:**
 - **Toolkit #1** – Education (School) Partners: [Ways Schools Can Support Routine Vaccination Catch-Up Among School-Aged Children \(phf.org\)](#)
 - **Toolkit #2** – Healthcare Professionals: [Healthcare Provider Toolkit for Let's RISE](#)
 - **Toolkit #3** – Early Care and Education Providers: [How Early Care and Education Can Help Children Keep Their Vaccinations Up-to-Date \(phf.org\)](#)

Upcoming State of Michigan (SOM) Holidays

May 27
June 19
July 4
September 2
November 5
November 11
November 28 and 29
December 24 and 25
December 31

Previously Released MIHP Updates

To review any previously released MIHP Biweekly Updates, they can be found by [visiting the MIHP webpage Michigan.gov/MIHP](#).

Biweekly Update Topic Submission

If you have suggestions for topics to be addressed in future additions of the MIHP Biweekly Update, [please submit your ideas here](#).

MDHHS Publications

[Sign up here to receive program updates and communications.](#)

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