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Attachments:

- Spring 2025 LPHA Regional Meetings Agenda
- Trust in Public Health in Missouri, three handouts from the Missouri Public Health Institute

UPDATES

DHSS continues to work on its response to the **announcement from CDC 3/25/2025** that funding for ELC-EDE or EDEX, COVID-19 Health Disparities, and COVID-19 and Adult Vaccination Supplemental contracts was discontinued effective March 24, 2025 at 11:59 pm. This announcement from CDC leaves everyone in a difficult situation, and DHSS is committed to working with LPHAs to finalize reporting and invoicing for work completed prior to the discontinuation date. All invoices must be submitted by March 31. See the [LPHA Hub](#) for a recording of the March 27 update call. Local impact stories can be submitted to DHSS at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/PHfunding>

The **PHAB readiness assessment (RA) support** has been extended through 2026 utilizing Public Health Infrastructure Grant (PHIG) funds and free of charge to all LPHAs with a hard deadline to have completed by January 1st, 2027. The Accreditation tab has been updated on the website <https://health.mo.gov/living/healthcondiseases/communicable/novel-coronavirus-lpha/> with the new 2025 training dates: May 13, August 14, and November 6, 2025.

FPHS Gap Analysis: Module 1: Current Financials (FY24) are due from LPHAs by Thursday, May 1, 2025. Trainings will be held in April as follows:

- **Tuesday, April 1** - [Tab 04. DH-37 Tab Instructions](#)
- **Tuesday, April 8** - [Tabs 05. & 06. Current Labor and Background Tab Instructions](#)
- **Tuesday, April 15** - [Tab 07. Current Spending Tab Instructions](#)

Questions? Contact the FPHS Project Team: FPHSgap@missouri.edu.

County Commissioners who were not able to attend the presentation at the MAC Conference to allow LPHAs to receive incentive funding will have another opportunity. A webinar will be held April 24, 2025 at 12:30 pm offering County Leadership & Public Health Partnership training that will allow Commissioners to qualify for the incentive. Please note, they must type their name and county name into the chat during the webinar in order for your jurisdiction to receive incentive credit for their attendance. See additional details in an email from Tiffany Bayer dated 3/26/2025.

MOPHIMS Newsletter, March 2025: <https://health.mo.gov/data/mica/MICA/pdf/newsletter34.pdf>

National Public Health Week: DHSS Office of Public Information has created Missouri-specific communications assets to support promotion of National Public Health Week. These are posted on the LPHA Hub under the [Resource Library page](#) – then select **April** from the yellow menu at the top of the page.

Regional LPHA Meetings begin next week. An agenda is **attached**. We look forward to seeing all of you!

April 2 – Boone County – Stoney Creek 2601 South Providence, Columbia, MO

April 3 – Adair County – Holiday Inn 2523 S, Franklin, Kirksville, MO

April 16 – Platte County – Platte County Health Dept. 7925 NW 110th St, Kansas City, MO

April 30 – Butler County – Holiday Inn 2781 N Westwood Blvd, Poplar Bluff, MO

May 1 – St. Charles County – Drury Plaza 380 Mulholland Dr, St. Charles, MO

May 6 – Greene County – Doubletree 2431 N Glenstone Springfield, MO

NEWS

News items are posted for your situational awareness only and do not necessarily reflect the views or opinions of either DHSS or OPHI. News stories behind pay walls will not be included in order to ensure fair access to all.

3/27/2025: Measles cases in Kansas climb to 23 with a possible link to the Texas and New Mexico outbreak. Ohio also has 10 cases. <https://tinyurl.com/muj45h4d>

3/27/2025: Researchers say vaccination rates against measles in young children may be as low at 71% nationwide, below the threshold needed for herd immunity. <https://tinyurl.com/yta84xn6>

3/26/2025: A Michigan transplant patient dies after receiving an organ infected with rabies. <https://tinyurl.com/p4jmmbar>

3/22/2025: CDC Clone website that launched over the weekend was full of false vaccine claims, raising concern among public health professionals about the potential for confusion among the public. The site has since been taken down. <https://tinyurl.com/y5zcn4t>

RESOURCES

[County Health Rankings and Roadmaps 2025 data](#) has been released. After 15 years, their funding from Robert Wood Johnson Foundation has been discontinued. Please affirm the value of their work by taking a few minutes to complete a short survey documenting how you use CHR&R data. <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/VLDKVBH>.

Trust in public health in Missouri is high, according to results of a survey conducted by the [Missouri Public Health Institute](#). See **attached** documents for a summary of their findings.

The **Model for Adaptive Response to Complex Cyclic Disasters**, or MARCCD, highlights community disaster preparedness. In the final video of this 3-part series, [Community Disaster Preparedness \(Part III\)](#), learn how to strengthen community preparedness.

The Missouri Public Health Association (MPHA) offers an opportunity for **LPHAs to provide feedback** on the University of Nebraska Medical Center's [Drought and Health Communication toolkit](#) designed to help communities and professionals respond to and prepare for drought-related health disparities. Selected participants who join a 60-minute Zoom focus group will be eligible for a \$15 gift card. [Register](#)

A new resource is available to Missouri K-12 schools at no cost for a limited time. As part of the MO KIDS

IPC Toolkit called “Ask an IP (Infection Preventionist)”, an **infection preventionist is available for consultation** on controlling the spread of disease in schools. Request a consultation and download additional resources at <https://mokitoolkit.org/resources-2/>

WEBINARS/TRAINING/CONFERENCES

NEW! April 1, 2:30 – 4:30 pm, 2025 BEHS Webinar Learning Series - April: Swimming Pools and Spas, DHSS. See [LPHA Hub](#) calendar for connection information.

April 1 – 2, **Rural Health Workforce Development Conference**, Missouri Rural Health Association.
[Register](#)

April 2, 10:00 am, **Regional LPHA meeting** at Stoney Creek, 2601 South Providence, Columbia.

April 3, 10:00 am, **Regional LPHA meeting** at Holiday Inn 2523 S, Franklin, Kirksville.

NEW! April 8 – 11, **Missouri Environmental Health Association (MEHA) Annual Education Conference**. Oasis Hotel, Springfield. Register on the [MEHA website](#) under the Training and Conference tab.

NEW! April 9, 12:00 pm, **Building Pipelines for Women’s Leadership in Public Health**, Boston University School of Public Health. Explore the landscape of public health leadership nationally and globally. Learn how to support building pipelines for women’s leadership in the field. [Register](#)

April 16, 10:00 am, **Regional LPHA meeting** at Platte County Health Dept, 7925 NW 110th St, Kansas City.

NEW! April 17, 12:00 – 1:30 pm, **Public Health Law Under the New Administration**, Network for Public Health Law. Learn how intertwined regulations at the federal, state, and local level regarding raw milk, water fluoridation, and school-required vaccinations may be subject to change based on the new federal administration. [Register](#)

April 30, 10:00 am, **Regional LPHA meeting** at Holiday Inn, 2781 N Westwood Blvd, Poplar Bluff.

NEW! May 1, 12:00 pm, **Public Health and the New Administration: the First 100 Days**, Boston University School of Public Health. [Register](#)

May 1, 10:00 am, **Regional LPHA meeting** at Drury Plaza, 380 Mulholland Dr, St. Charles.

May 6, 10:00 am, **Regional LPHA meeting** at Doubletree, 2431 N Glenstone, Springfield.

May 5 - 9, **Basic Inspections and Investigations Course for New Manufactured and Retail Regulators**. \$350 fee and class size limited to 18 people. [Register](#)

Sept 16 – 17, **Missouri Rural Health Conference**, Camdenton, MO. Save the date.