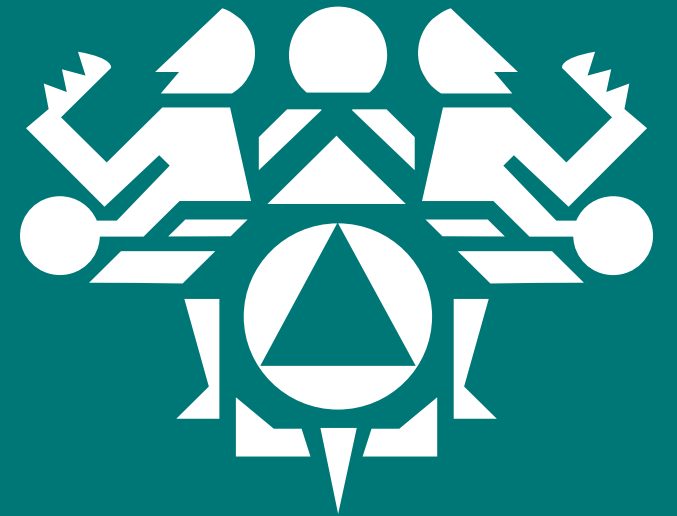


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Weekly Update

July 7, 2026





NORTHWEST PORTLAND AREA
INDIAN HEALTH BOARD
Indian Leadership for Indian Health

Agenda

- Welcome & Introduction: Victoria Warren-Mears
- NPAIHB Announcements, Events, & Resources
- Diabetes Prevention Program: Don Head & Alyssa Farrow
- Washington DOH Updates: Jill Edgin & Jessica Haag
- Communicable Disease Updates: Dr. Tara Perti, PAIHS
- Questions & Comments

Please sign in, using the chat box, with your full name and tribe or organization

NPAIHB QBM July 20 – 23 @ Siletz

Registration for the July Quarterly Board Meeting is open!

Hosted by the Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians

Dates: July 20-23, 2026

Location: Chinook Winds Casino Resort, Lincoln City, OR

Registration: <https://npaihb.clickup.com/forms/9009195633/f/8cfuukh-51297/D5LARBYDO8N3968CIE>

Please register by July 10, 2026

Room Block: <https://reservations.travelclick.com/99805?groupID=4883563>

Reservations can also be made via phone at (888) 244-6665

When calling to book, please refer to the QBM 2026 group block

Room Block Is Closed



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Indian Leadership for Indian Health

Upcoming Indian Country ECHO Telehealth Opportunities

- **Harm Reduction ECHO** – 1st Tuesday of every month at 12pm PT
 - Tuesday, July 7th at 12pm PT
 - To Join via Zoom: <https://echo.zoom.us/j/99009428799?pwd=TFVRa1FPSDU5M2lvTTNwbGo3ZjdyZz09>
- **EMS ECHO** - 1st Tuesday & 3rd Thursday of every month at 5pm PT
 - Tuesday, July 7th at 5pm PT
 - Didactic Topic: *EMS on the Fireground*
 - To Join via Zoom: <https://echo.zoom.us/j/84832881641?pwd=SXlINlpJa0Vta1R1c28xcUh5V1dlUT09>
- **Trauma Rounds ECHO** – 2nd Wednesday of every month at 6:30am PT
 - Wednesday, July 8th at 6:30am PT
 - Didactic Topic: *Interpersonal Violence and Nonfatal Strangulation*
 - Didactic Topic: To join via Zoom: <https://echo.zoom.us/j/93729666650?pwd=bFhTZnA4NnlqTmR6Ylg4bnM1R1lZQT09>
- **Adolescent Health ECHO** – 2nd Wednesday of every month at 12pm PT
 - Wednesday, July 8th at 12pm PT
 - Didactic Topic: *Caring for Adolescents with Foster Care Experience*
 - To join via Zoom: <https://echo.zoom.us/j/88393600100?pwd=Amim4GLLWnPrPj1nhlm3K6q2ricsUj.1>

Upcoming Indian Country ECHO Telehealth Opportunities

- **Journey to Health ECHO** – 2nd & 4th Thursday of every month at 7am/12pm PT
 - Thursday, July 9th at 7am PT
 - To join via Zoom: <https://echo.zoom.us/j/93413601610?pwd=YVhMN1NUNllyWHZUZk1CUhF0TEY5QT09>
- **Clinical Dementia ECHO** – 2nd Thursday of every month at 11am PT
 - Thursday, July 9th at 11am PT
 - Didactic Topic: *Transitions of Care & Care Settings*
 - To join via Zoom: <https://echo.zoom.us/j/99454243940?pwd=NG9aWGUvRTdKSmgwTGlldklmVDRWUT09>
- **Diabetes ECHO** – 2nd Thursday of every month at 12pm PT
 - Thursday, July 9th at 11am PT
 - Didactic Topic: *Who Needs What When?*
 - To join via Zoom: <https://zoom.us/j/91887405371?pwd=ekFJTUJiV2hWQ0ZPZEwrUDQ4eGxTZz09>



Tribal Disease Intervention Training – July 2026



The US as a whole, and Indian Country, in particular, are seeing surges in the 'syndemic' of interrelated disease states of sexually transmitted infections, hepatitis C virus, HIV and substance use disorder. We can reduce the incidence and impact of the syndemic via policy and practice modifications that fit the context of each community and health facility. These options include expanded screening, amplifying the roles of Tribal public health and clinic staff, and more. This two-day Tribal Disease Intervention (TDI) training strengthens the knowledge, skills, and confidence needed to carry out disease investigation, linkage to care, and partner services for those impacted by the syndemic in ways that honor Tribal values, relationships, and community strengths.

Through practical tools and culturally responsive communication strategies, participants will deepen their ability to reduce stigma, protect confidentiality, and coordinate care with compassion and respect. Grounded in relational accountability, this training supports Tribal public health professionals in helping individuals access prevention and treatment services while strengthening the health and healing of the broader community.



[To View Agenda click here](#)

Dates: July 13th – July 15th

Where: [The Porter Portland](#), 1355 SW 2nd Ave, Portland, OR 97201

How to Join: [Click here to register](#)

Indian Country Ending the Syndemic Training Registration (August 2026)

Staff serving Alaska Native & American Indian people are invited to participate in the Ending the Syndemic ECHO program. The program provides comprehensive information to effectively address the evolving HCV, SUD, HIV, and Syphilis syndemic. The program offers a free 2-day in-person training with both a Clinical Track, a Community Health Professionals Track & subsequent telehealth clinics.

Agenda: [To view the draft agenda, click here.](#)

The Indigenous Syndemic Pathway for **Clinicians** track will provide an overview and present implementation options, and where requested, assist with implementation. The training is not only informational—technical and other support needed to put policy and practice into place is available and encouraged. Continuing Education will be provided.

The Indigenous Syndemic Pathway for **Community Health Professionals** (CHPs) track is designed to equip CHPs with the knowledge, confidence, and tools to respond to syndemic topics that can be hard to talk about with relatives. These sessions will cover individual diseases and broader topics. Many of these presentations will include group discussion and interaction. This track is focused to provide training for Community Health Representatives, Health Aides, Peer Navigators, Social Workers, and Case Managers.



Dates: August 11th (8am-5pm PT) and August 12th (8am-4:30pm PT)

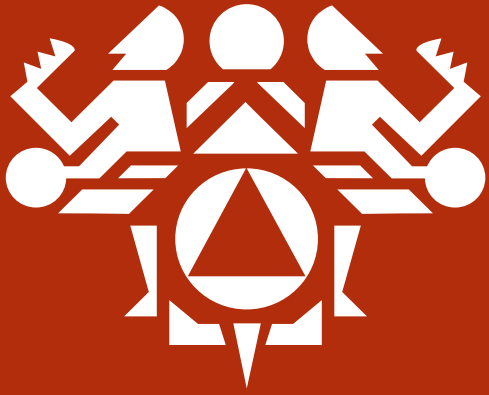
Where: Fordson Hotel, 900 W Main St, Oklahoma City, OK 73106 (Hosted by the Southern Plains Tribal Health Board) & Virtually via Zoom

How to Join: [Click here to register](#)

NPAIHB Weekly Update Schedule

- July 14: N CREW Research Topic focus
- July 21: NO UPDATE - NPAIHB QBM
- July 28: TBD
- August 4: State Partner Updates, Communicable Disease Updates





Diabetes Prevention Program Tribal Umbrella Hub at the NW Tribal Epicenter

Western Tribal Diabetes Project (WTDP)

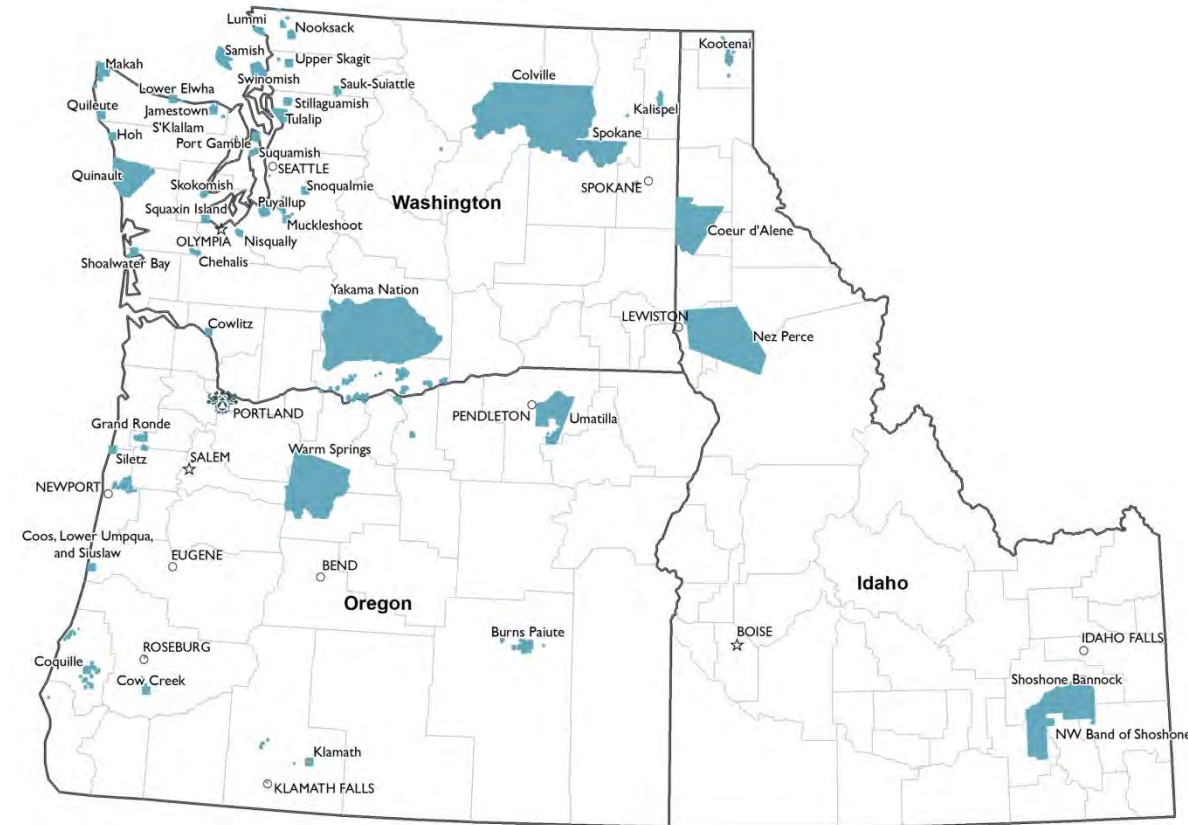
Alyssa Farrow, Specialist

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Project Overview

The mission of the Western Tribal Diabetes Project (WTDP) is to empower tribal communities to utilize diabetes data at the local level to track the Indian Health Service Standards of Care for Patients with Type 2 Diabetes, ensure patients receive timely care, improve case management, identify gaps in care, and better address program planning.

The Western Tribal Diabetes Project serves the 43 federally recognized tribes in Idaho, Oregon, and Washington, as well as the national SDPI grantees.



Technical Support

- Diabetes Management System (DMS) quarterly trainings (outside Area upon request)
- IHS Diabetes Care & Outcomes Audit
- Health Status Reports
- Site visits to NW Tribal Communities

Diabetes Health Status Report



Information from the 2021
Indian Health Service Annual Diabetes Audit

Prepared by the Western Tribal Diabetes Project

Northwest Portland Area  Indian Health Board

Diabetes Audit Results, Portland Area, 2004-2021

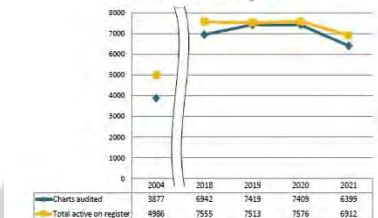
Site-Specific Trends

The following report contains information from your program's annual diabetes audit submission to the Indian Health Service over the past few years. The report was prepared for your site by the Western Tribal Diabetes Project at the Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board, which receives Special Diabetes Program for Indians (SDPI) funding to assist Northwest tribes in managing their diabetes information. If you have any questions about the report, or if you would like this report in Excel format, please contact the Western Tribal Diabetes Project at wtdp@npihb.org or (800) 862-5497.

Notes:

- Due to rounding, charts will occasionally not add up to 100%.
- Data are presented by the year in which the data were submitted. Most likely, the patient care reflected in the audit was delivered in the previous year. For example, the column 2013 in these charts reflect care that was delivered in 2012.
- Blank spaces have been left for some indicators in years when information was not reported.

Patients in the Diabetes Register



Upcoming Events



Western Tribal Diabetes Project

2026 DMS Training Dates

Day 1-2: 8:30a - 3:00p PST
Day 3: 8:30a - 11:30a PST

In-person participants will receive physical copies of training materials.
Online participants will receive an email containing training materials
and zoom link prior to meeting times.

February 3-5 **March 24-26**

June 2-4 **September 22-24** **December 1-3**

Register Here:
https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/DMS_training2026





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NATIVE FITNESS 20

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SAVE THE DATE
AUGUST 4-5, 2026
MUCKLESHOOT WELLNESS CENTER
17500 SE 392ND ST, AUBURN, WA

HOSTED AT THE MUCKLESHOOT INDIAN TRIBE, WE INVITE TRIBAL DIABETES COORDINATORS AND HEALTH STAFF FROM ACROSS THE NATION TO JOIN US IN GAINING PRACTICAL SKILLS IN CULTURALLY GROUNDED FITNESS & WELLNESS STRATEGIES TO BRING BACK TO YOUR COMMUNITIES

Diabetes Prevention Program Tribal Umbrella Hub Arrangement - Background

- Tribal interest (Siletz Tribal Diabetes Program – Kim Lane)
- WEAVE-NW (Good Health and Wellness In Indian Country Program – Tammie Scott)
- Western Tribal Diabetes Project (SDPI – Dondi Head)
- Washington DPP Task Force (Comagine Health – Shelby Benally)

Diabetes Prevention Program Tribal Umbrella Hub Arrangement – Current Ground

- National Association of Chronic Disease Directors (NACDD) and Maven Collective Consulting
 - Inter-Tribal Council of Arizona Tribal DPP Umbrella Hub for Southern Plains region
 - Great Plains Tribal Health
 - Southern Plains Tribal Health Board Umbrella Hub Organization (Oklahoma City Area)
- Native Diabetes Gathering, June 22-23, 2026



1. Home Base - Preparing For Your Trip

- Establish your "why"
- Know your area partners and their successes/challenges/doubts /incentives
- Identify your area champions and others you will involve on your journey
- Create strong relationships and partnerships with those you will be traveling with
- Identify a funding source
- Consider your existing infrastructure: What are your strengths and what needs building

2. Learn the Basics

- Participate in learning opportunities webinars/calls/projects
- Communicate with your partners. What is needed/required of them
- What are the evaluation services needed
- Meet your partners where they are. Do they already have a program in place

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3. Assess Needs & Engage Partners

- Partner site visits. Personal discussion of needs and concerns with delivering the program. Share understanding of barriers and solutions to overcome them
- Informal needs assessments
- Provide trainings and educational materials for a clear description of program and what your organization will be able to provide for technical assistance
- Will your partner be starting from the beginning or building off an already structured program

2

4. Make a Plan - What will your Organization provide?

- Provide ongoing trainings and support, i.e. lifestyle coach trainings
- Provide/create educational materials and resources for program and community members
- Funding availability to provide participant incentives
- Facilitate a Community of Practice for lifestyle coaches and administration to provide peer-to-peer support
- Host in-person gathering for all Diabetes Prevention Programs including SDPI and other

5. Implement and Sustain

- Partner retention and recruitment
- Addition of any existing DPRP programs within the Great Plains to join alongside champion partner
- Educate and recruit non DPRP Tribal diabetes prevention programs with assistance of champion partner
- Continuation of adapting materials that best fit the needs of each community. Have an understanding of "not one size fits all"

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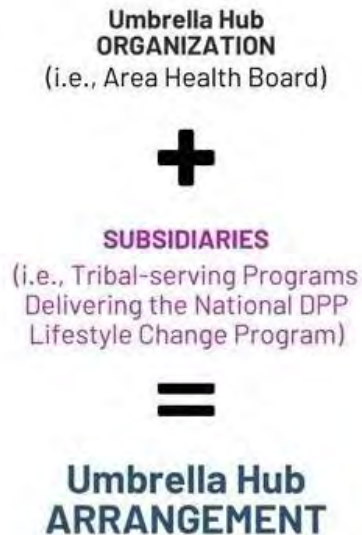
Diabetes Prevention Program Tribal Umbrella Hub Arrangement – Future Ground

- Next steps
 - Feedback from Northwest Tribes
 - Community of Health Gathering ✓
 - Northwest Gathering of SDPI Grantees ✓
 - July NPAIHB Quarterly Board Meeting Presentation and Resolution
 - Community of Practice calls and meetings
 - NW Tribal Epidemiology Center would enter cohort with Montana-Wyoming Tribal Leaders Council for the following year
 - YMCA of Greater Seattle collaboration

Diabetes Prevention Program Tribal Umbrella Hub Arrangement – Potential Ground

- Administrative support
 - Training opportunities
 - Addressing barriers to participation
- Connection to health care payment for sustainable reimbursement for DPP

UMBRELLA HUBS FOR TRIBAL-SERVING ORGANIZATIONS



Questions and feedback



- Don Head, Gwich'in Nation
- Alyssa Farrow, Confederated Tribes of the Cayuse, Umatilla, Walla Walla

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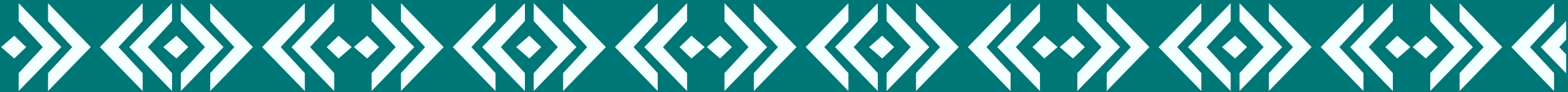
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State & Federal Partner Updates



WA DOH Office of Tribal Public Health & Relations

    @WaDeptHealth

Tuesday, July 07, 2026
NPAIHB Weekly Update



Agenda

Vaccine Updates-
Jessica Haag

DOH Tribal Office
Reminders – Jill Edgin



Office of Immunization



Jessica Haag, Office of Immunization Liaison
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June 2026 WA DOH Tribal Immunization Newsletter

Available to view on [PartnerHub](#)

June newsletter topics include:

- New DOH-Brand Childhood and Adolescent Immunization Schedule
- New Office of Immunization Organizational Chart
- Vaccine Advisory Committee (VAC) Recruitment
- Notice of Award (NOA) – Upcoming Tribal Contracts for 2026-2027
- Together for Health CHW Vaccine Confidence Toolkit
- Long COVID Toolkit – New!
- Immunize WA Award Nominations
- Vaccine Management Program Updates
 - AVP Enrollment/ Re-Enrollment is Open!
 - Vaccine Choice: CVP & Seasonal Respiratory Vaccines
- Upcoming and Recorded Webinars
 - CVP Training Series: Partnering for Better Immunization Rates - IQIP & Immunize WA
 - CVP Training Series: Preparing for RSV Season with WCAAP



June 2026 Updates

New DOH-Brand Childhood and Adolescent Immunization Schedule

DOH has published a new [Recommended Child and Adolescent Immunization Schedule](#) for ages birth through 18 years. While the format is new, the recommended vaccines and timing remain unchanged and continue to align with guidance from the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP).

The schedule is also available in [Spanish](#), [Russian](#), [Ukrainian](#), and [Vietnamese](#).

Find the schedules and additional information about immunizations on the [Immunizations and Vaccines](#) webpage. For details on how DOH develops vaccine recommendations and to view full schedules, visit the [Vaccine Recommendations](#) page.

Updated OI Org Chart – August 2026

Due to budget reductions, the Office of Immunization (OI) is experiencing staff reductions and transitions. An updated OI Org Chart should be completed and uploaded to [PartnerHub](#) by the end of August.

Vaccine Advisory Committee (VAC) Recruitment

DOH's Vaccine Advisory Committee (VAC) is recruiting a Student Representative to help bring emerging perspectives, new ideas, and community voices into statewide immunization practices.

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We're especially interested in a representative who brings perspectives from rural, underserved, or historically underrepresented communities.

Open to junior-level undergraduate students and above. This is a voluntary, unpaid position.

Learn more and apply: [VAC Members | WA DOH](#)

Notice of Award (NOA) – Upcoming Tribal Contracts for 2026-2027

We expect to receive the NOA either on June 30th or shortly after that date.

- DOH is currently not starting any contracts until NOA is received.
- Final amounts for contracts will be shared shortly after NOA is confirmed and final grant amount is provided to DOH.
- We will keep you all informed as we hear new developments and when DOH is able to start processing contracts to be sent out to Tribes.

[DTLL: 2026-2027 Immunization Contract Amendment](#)

AVP Enrollment/ Re-Enrollment is Open

Provider enrollment and re-enrollment for the Adult Vaccine Program opened on June 1.

If you are a provider who was enrolled in AVP last year:

- AVP re-enrollment emails were sent out to facility contacts on June 1, 2026. These emails contained a link to each facility's pre-populated, facility specific provider agreement to update and sign.
 - If you did not receive an email with a link, please reach out to us at WAAdultVaccines@doh.wa.gov

Providers NOT enrolled in AVP last year:

- Review the [Adult Vaccine Program Enrollment Guide](#) to walk you through the process
- To enroll, complete the Adult Vaccine Program Provider Application [Inquiry](#)
- Look for an email within 72 hours with a link to complete the full AVP Provider Agreement

→ Enrollment Deadline: July 17, 2026

- Required for providers who wish to participate in the upcoming **fall order cycle**
- Early submission is strongly encouraged

Together for Health CHW Vaccine Confidence Toolkit

We are excited to announce the completion of the Together for Health Community Health Worker Vaccine Confidence Toolkit!

A resource for community health workers to have engaging conversations about vaccines.

The Together for Health vaccine confidence toolkit supports CHWs in talking clearly and effectively about vaccines. The materials work together as a comprehensive guide, but you can also study each piece on its own based on your experience and interests. Use the toolkit on your own or practice with other CHWs, and share select resources with clients.

The toolkit materials were reviewed by funded community-based organization partners and are available in nine languages: Amharic, English, Marshallese, Russian, Somali, Spanish, Tagalog, Ukrainian, and Vietnamese.

All toolkit pieces are available as print and digital options, and with or without the DOH logo on them.



The toolkit is now available on the Healthier Washington Collaboration Portal: [CHW Vaccine Confidence Toolkit | Healthier Washington Collaboration Portal](#)

Long COVID Toolkit

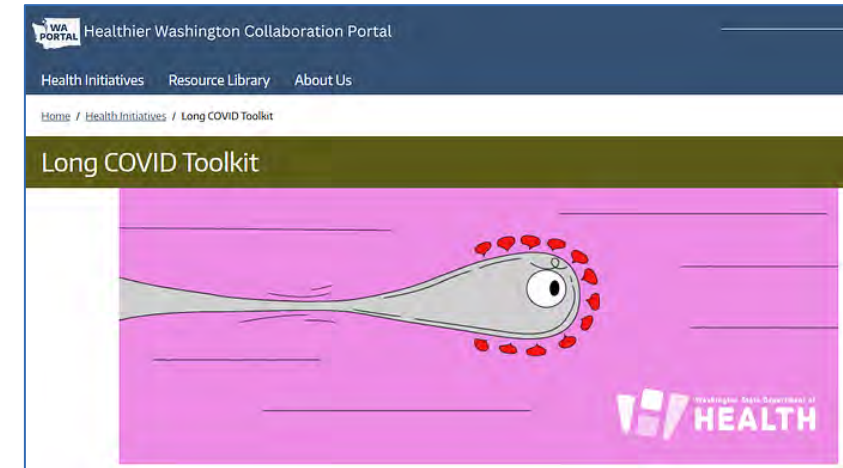
This toolkit is designed to help health care providers, public health jurisdictional authorities, and community-based organizations (CBOs) support their patients and clients with understanding Long COVID. Long COVID is a chronic condition that is often misunderstood and misdiagnosed. These materials offer clear information on its signs, symptoms, and management, helping users more accurately identify the condition and communicate about it with patients and clients.

The toolkit was written and designed with support from providers and people who have lived experiences with Long COVID.

It addresses topics such as:

- How to recognize common Long COVID symptoms
- How to have conversations about Long COVID
- How to support someone with Long COVID
- How people living with Long COVID can manage their symptoms

The materials are separated into two categories: those that are intended for provider, CBO, and public health jurisdiction staff education, and those that can be distributed in your offices or handed out to patients and clients.



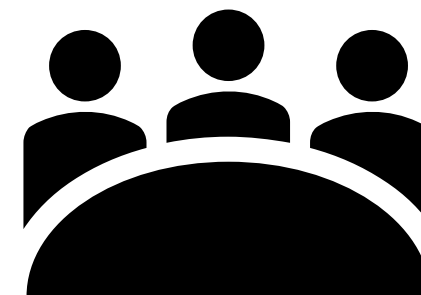
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Immunize WA Award Nominations

The Immunize WA awards recognize clinics achieving immunization coverage goals for children, adolescents, and HPV vaccination initiation among 9- 10-year-olds.

- **Providers must self-nominate.**
- **Nominations are open June 1 – July 15, 2026.**

Winners will be announced **August 25, 2026**, during National Immunization Awareness Month.

To nominate your clinic:

1. Watch the [short video](#) on running your [coverage rate report](#)
2. Complete the [nomination form](#)
3. Submit your coverage report to immunizewa@doh.wa.gov
4. Include your **VFC pin** in the subject line

2026 marks the program's 12th anniversary!

Visit the [Immunize WA web page for details.](#)





UPDATES & RESOURCES

Office of Tribal Public Health & Relations

New recurring meeting!

Measles Surveillance and Response Community of Practice

An informal, collaborative space for LHJ and Tribal epidemiologists, case investigators, public health nurses, health officers, and other staff in Washington State to:

- Discuss experiences and challenges relating to identifying, investigating, and responding to cases of measles.
- Ask questions and raise issues with DOH.
- Learn about measles together.

This fully optional meeting is intended **only** for staff at Local Health Jurisdictions (LHJs), Tribal Health Organizations, and DOH.

Current monthly schedule:

- 2nd Thursday, 11 am – noon
- 4th Wednesday, 11 am – noon

Calendar invites are posted in the CDEpi Portal:

<https://stateofwa.sharepoint.com/sites/DOH-CDEpiPortal> (request access if needed)

Hosted by WA DOH Vaccine-Preventable Disease (VPD) Team

Email: vpd-cde@doh.wa.gov

Phone: 206-418-5500

Point of contact: Nick Graff

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A blue heron stands on a grassy bank in the foreground, looking towards a river. The river flows from the background towards the foreground, with some white water visible. The background is filled with trees and bushes with yellow and orange autumn foliage. The overall scene is a natural, outdoor setting.

Pending Maternal Child Health Block Grant

- Pending Funding availability follows listening sessions and DTLL August 2023
- Funding intended for Tribes and Tribal serving organizations
- Anticipated amount 200-400k
- Proposal submission end of September 2026 Start date of work November 2026
- More information to come at July MTM

Dear Tribal Leader Letters

Date	Letter Subject	Meeting Information
June 29	Collaborative – 2027 proposed legislative priorities (PDF)	Listening session: July 7, 1:30-3 p.m. - Zoom link
June 29	Collaborative – Washington interagency smoke and extreme heat planning (PDF)	- Listening session 1: August 10, 2-3:30 p.m. - Zoom link - Listening session 2: August 12, 3:30-5 p.m. - Zoom link
June 23	Collaborative – opportunity to participate in the Data@Health Collaborative (PDF)	
June 23	Informative – conclusion of the government-to-government collaboration on the Tribal Shellfish Consent Decree and attachments of minimum position requirements (PDF)	
June 23	Informative – DOH Workforce Pathways paid professional opportunity for Tribal community members (PDF)	
June 23	Informative – Early Hearing Detection, Diagnosis and Intervention (EHDDI) program funding opportunity (PDF)	
June 17	Informative – information on agency rulemaking for June 1-15, 2026 (PDF)	



Upcoming Listening Sessions, Roundtables, & Consultations

Date/Time	Meeting Title/Type	Meeting Platform	DTLL
July 7, 2026 1:30-3pm	2027 Proposed Legislative Priorities – Listening Session	Zoom link	Collaborative – 2027 proposed legislative priorities (PDF)
July 20, 2026 10-11:30 a.m.	Molecular Epidemiology – Listening Session #1	Zoom link	Collaborative – molecular epidemiology listening sessions (PDF)
July 23, 2026 2-3:30 p.m.	Molecular Epidemiology – Listening Session #2	Zoom link	Collaborative – molecular epidemiology listening sessions (PDF)
August 10, 2026 2-3:30pm	Washington Interagency Smoke & Extreme Heat Planning – Listening Session #1	Zoom link	Collaborative – Washington interagency smoke and extreme heat planning (PDF)
August 12, 2026 3:30-5pm	Washington Interagency Smoke & Extreme Heat Planning – Listening Session #2	Zoom link	Collaborative – Washington interagency smoke and extreme heat planning (PDF)

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Portland Area IHS

Communicable Diseases Update

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July 7, 2026



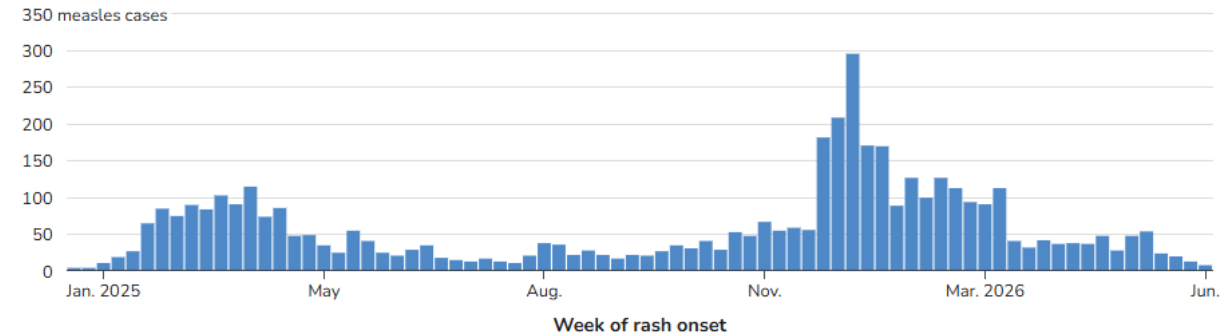
Outline

- Measles
- New World Screwworm
- Resources for Heat Preparedness
- In the News: Bundibugyo Virus Disease Updates

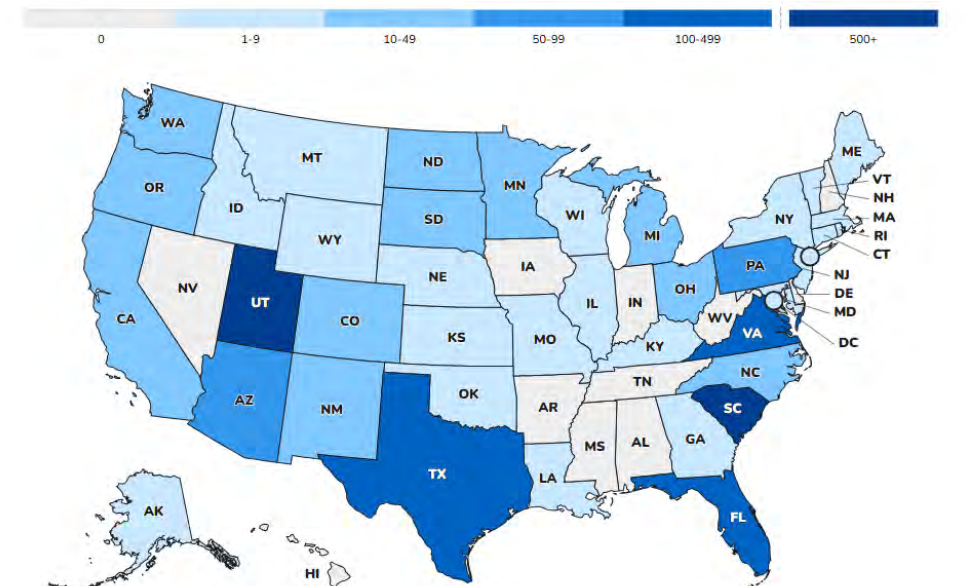
Measles — United States, 2026

- 2,170 confirmed cases among 41 jurisdictions (including NYC, NY state, and D.C.) during 2026 as of 7/2. 95% of 2,289 total cases for 2025.
- 93% of cases are outbreak-associated (≥ 3 related cases).
- Age: 20% <5 years-old, 51% 5-19 years-old, 29% ≥ 20 years-old.
- 6% hospitalized overall (during 2025, 11% hospitalized, with 18% of those <5 years-old hospitalized).
- 0 deaths (during 2025, 3 deaths among unvaccinated individuals, including 2 healthy school-aged children).
- 93% unvaccinated or with unknown vaccination status, 4% one MMR dose, 4% two MMR doses.

Weekly Measles Cases — United States, 2025-26



Measles Cases Among U.S. Residents, 2026



Measles — Oregon, 2026 (N=24)

- Cases this year have occurred at least in Clackamas, Multnomah, Marion, and Linn Counties. One new case since last update.
- There has been an outbreak involving non-household contacts in Clackamas and Multnomah counties.
- Measles virus detected in wastewater during 6 week period from 5/17/26-6/27/26:
 - Deschutes, Coos, Columbia, Marion, Lane, Linn, Lincoln, Clatsop, Umatilla, Washington, Multnomah, Clackamas, Jackson, Josephine, and Polk Counties.
- 96% of cases in Oregon unvaccinated or with unknown vaccination status.

Measles — Portland Area, 2025-26

Location (State/County)	Number of Cases		Additional Cases (e.g. Among Travelers)
	2025 (N=26)	2026 (N=79)	
Washington	Total: 12	Total: 45	9 additional cases among travelers to Washington (King and Snohomish Counties) in 2025. 2 travelers in 2026 (King).
Snohomish	2	14	
Clark		8	
Kittitas		7	
Walla Walla		7	
Stevens		3	
King	7	3	
Grant		2	
Spokane	1	1	
Whatcom	2		
Oregon	Total: 1	Total: 24	2 additional cases among travelers to Idaho (Bonneville and Cassia Counties) in 2025. 1 case in a traveler in 2026.
Idaho	Total: 13	Total: 10	
Canyon (Southwest District Health		6	
Madison (Eastern Idaho Public Health)		3	
Kootenai (Panhandle Health District)	1	1	
Boundary (Panhandle Health District)	6		
Bonneville (Eastern Idaho Public Health)	5		
Bonner (Panhandle Health District)	1		

Summary: Measles

- 2,170 confirmed cases among 41 jurisdictions during 2026 as of 7/2. 93% of cases unvaccinated or with unknown vaccination status.
- Portland Area: Washington: 45 cases (stable); Oregon: 24 cases (increased), Idaho: 10 cases (stable).
- $\geq 95\%$ vaccine coverage is needed to prevent measles outbreaks in communities.
- In 2024-25, MMR coverage among kindergartners continued to decline. Washington: 90.9% (90.6% for 2025-26) , Oregon: 90.5% (89.6% for 2025-26), and Idaho: 78.5%. Idaho and Oregon have the highest and 2nd highest exemption rates in the country.

Recommendations

- Ensure your patients, families, and community are up to date on their measles immunizations (goal $\geq 95\%$ up to date).
- Ensure all health care workers have presumptive evidence of measles immunity and that Respirator Fit Testing has been done in the past year.
- Consider measles in anyone with a fever and generalized maculopapular rash with recent international travel or travel to an area with a measles outbreak, exposure to a measles case, or who meets clinical criteria and is unvaccinated. Recommend testing performed in collaboration with local health jurisdiction.
- Train staff (e.g. Project Firstline: Measles Infection Control Microlearn with discussion guide), including front-desk to recognize possible measles, immediately mask and bring back to a designated room (e.g. airborne infection isolation room if available).
- If a measles case is identified in your community, recommend signage and a protocol to screen patients for possible measles (e.g. fever and rash, with international travel, travel to a community with a measles outbreak, or known exposure to measles in the past 21 days).
- Immediately report suspected cases to local or Tribal public health and recommend testing performed in collaboration (nasopharyngeal or throat swab for measles PCR, urine for PCR particularly if ≥ 72 hrs after rash onset, sent to state PHL if possible; blood for measles IgM and IgG sent to a commercial laboratory).
- Advise patients with suspected measles to isolate at home, away from others through 4 days after rash onset (for severely immunocompromised persons, the infectious period is through the illness duration) or measles has been ruled out.

Patient Education Resources for Respiratory Viruses/Immunizations

IHS Division of Epidemiology and Disease Prevention Educational Resources:

National IHS Public Health Council Public Health Messaging

Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board (NPAIHB): [VacciNative](#); [Native Boost](#)

National Council of Urban Indian Health

Johns Hopkins Center for Indigenous Health. [Knowledge Center](#); [Resource Library](#)

Indian Country ECHO/UNM Project ECHO: [Making a Strong Vaccine Recommendation: Vaccine Communication, MMR Vaccine Outreach Strategies, Current Measles Response and Clinical and Prevention Best Practices](#)

American Academy of Pediatrics: [Recommended Child and Adolescent Immunization Schedule](#), <https://www.aap.org/immunization>; <https://www.healthychildren.org/immunizations> (e.g. [COVID-19 What Families Need to Know](#))

American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists. [Maternal Immunization Schedule](#)

Children's Hospital of Philadelphia: [Vaccine Education Center](#); [Vaccine and Vaccine Safety-Related Q&A Sheets](#) (e.g. [Q&A COVID-19 Vaccines What You Should Know](#); [Protecting Babies from RSV: What You should Know](#); [RSV & Adults: What You Should Know](#); [Influenza: What You Should Know](#)); [Vaccines and Infectious Diseases in the News](#)

Immunize.org: [Clinical Resources A-Z](#); [Influenza \(Flu\)](#)

[Boost Oregon](#): [Videos and Resources](#)

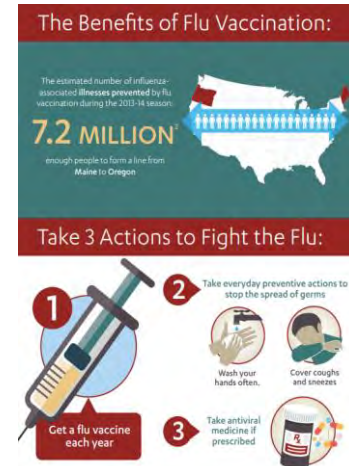
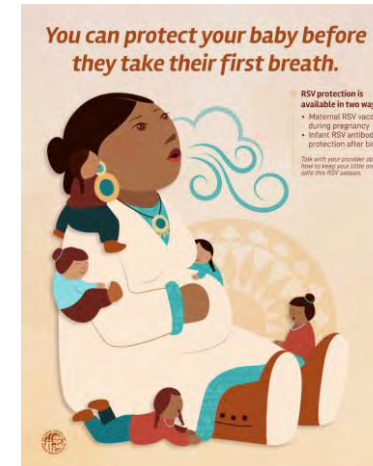
Personal Testimonies: [Families Fighting Flu: Our Stories](#)

Washington State Department of Health: [Immunizations and Vaccines](#) | [Washington State Department of Health](#); [Flu Overview](#); [Materials and Resources](#); [Influenza \(Flu\) Information for Public Health and Healthcare](#); [Measles Communications Toolkit for Washington State Partners](#); [Measles](#) | [Washington State Department of Health](#); [COVID-19](#); [DOH COVID-19 Vaccine Schedule](#); [Washington State Statewide Standing Order for COVID-19 Vaccine FAQs for the Public](#); [West Coast Health Alliance announces vaccine recommendations for COVID-19, flu, and RSV](#) | [Washington State Department of Health](#); [Respiratory Illness Data Dashboard](#).

Oregon Health Authority: [Immunization Resources](#); [Flu Prevention](#); [Measles / Rubeola \(vaccine-preventable\)](#) : [Diseases A to Z : State of Oregon](#); [Oregon's Respiratory Virus Data](#).

Idaho Department of Health & Welfare: [Child and Adolescent Immunization](#) and [Adult Immunization](#); [Flu \(Seasonal and Pandemic\)](#); [COVID-19](#); [Measles](#) | [Idaho Department of Health and Welfare](#); [Idaho Weekly Statewide Viral Respiratory Disease Indicators](#).

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention: [Preventing Seasonal Flu](#); [Flu Resources](#); [Preventing Spread of Respiratory Viruses When You're Sick](#); [RSV](#); [About Measles](#) | [Measles \(Rubeola\)](#) | [CDC](#); [Measles Resources](#) | [Measles \(Rubeola\)](#) | [CDC](#); [Measles Videos](#) | [Measles \(Rubeola\)](#) | [CDC](#)



Examples of Patient Education Resources from the Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board (NPAIHB)



Vaccination information for Natives by Natives

COVID-19 Vaccine



We have many ways to optimize our health and improve our lives. Vaccines are just one way we can protect ourselves from serious illnesses, like COVID-19 and the impacts of long COVID.

This handout is designed to help you understand COVID-19 and COVID-19 vaccines, so you can take care of yourself, your family, and your community.

“As a Crow Tribal member, we did lose a lot of Elders during the COVID pandemic, especially before vaccines... Now, we are social gathering, and we are lost without these Elders... When we get vaccinated, we are protecting our Elders and our culture. We have to protect our people. And vaccines do help with that. Even if your body is strong and healthy, it's still important to get vaccinated.”

— Lana Schendelina, Elder and Crow Tribal Member

Common COVID-19 Symptoms

COVID-19 is a virus that attacks your whole body and causes some or all of these:

- Fever
- Cough
- Loss of taste and smell
- Headaches
- Shortness of breath
- Congestion
- Sore throat

COVID-19 can also result in hospitalization and death, especially for those more vulnerable, like people with certain medical conditions and Elders. It can also result in a range of ongoing health problems – including long COVID – that can last weeks, months, or even years.

How COVID-19 Spreads

COVID-19 spreads through droplets in the air when a person with the virus coughs, sneezes, speaks, sings, or breathes. It can also spread through objects someone with the virus touches, sneezes, or coughs on. The virus can enter your body when you touch these objects and then touch your mouth, nose, or eyes.



Vaccination information for Natives by Natives

Vaccines When You Are Pregnant or Breast/Chestfeeding



Pregnancy and parenthood are sacred times when we make plans to care for ourselves and our babies. Part of this preparation includes keeping up to date on our vaccines.

While getting vaccinated is always something to discuss with your health provider, there are some important things to consider if you are pregnant or breast/chestfeeding.

How to Protect Yourself

To be fully vaccinated against COVID-19, you need to complete the vaccine series and get boosted. For most people, the vaccine series consists of two shots. You get the first shot, then the second one about 25 days later. Five months after completing the vaccine series, you get boosted. We may also need additional boosters after that. Why? Booster shots contain the most up-to-date instructions for fighting against the latest versions of COVID-19.

How the Shots Work

Within our bodies, each of us has warrior cells that stand guard and attack diseases. When we get the COVID-19 shots, the ingredients tell our warrior cells how to recognize and fight COVID-19. That's why if you get the COVID-19 vaccine series and get boosted, you are less likely to get sick with COVID-19. It can also reduce the seriousness of illness if you happen to get sick.

Shot Side Effects

You may experience side effects from the COVID-19 shots. This does not mean you are getting sick with COVID-19. Most side effects are mild and go away within a few days. Mild side effects are a good sign that your warrior cells are preparing to recognize and fight COVID-19.

Common side effects of the COVID-19 shots include:

- Soreness, redness, or swelling where you got the shot
- Fatigue
- Muscle aches
- Headache
- Shortness of breath
- Sore throat

Shot Safety

Millions of Americans have safely received the COVID-19 shots. This includes American Indians and Alaska Natives. Like all vaccines in the U.S., the COVID-19 shots are monitored for safety.

Who Should Get Vaccinated

Generally, anyone 6 months and older should get vaccinated against COVID-19, including pregnant people. For more information, talk to your provider.

Where to Get Vaccinated

To get vaccinated contact your local Tribal clinic, IHS facility, or visit a local pharmacy or clinic.

Vaccinative

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All of our materials are reviewed by the Vaccinative Alliance, a collaboration of staff from Tribal Epidemiology Centers across the nation.

Additional Information

For additional information, including info on long COVID, check out www.IndianCountryEcho.org/Vaccinative.

For questions, contact us at Vaccinative@npihb.org.

“We work together, using modern and traditional medicines to help keep our tribe safe from COVID-19. I got vaccinated to protect my family, my tribe, and I from COVID-19. COVID vaccines are safe, and the benefits of getting a COVID vaccine outweigh the risk of getting COVID-19 infection.”

— Dr. Frank Anishewski, M.D. (LTS), Endocrinologist, UPR Eastern District Tribal Clinic, medical Director, Treaty Medicine Physician




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How Vaccines Work

Within our bodies, each of us has warrior cells that stand guard and attack diseases. Vaccines help our warrior cells see and fight disease. For example, when we get the flu shot, the ingredients in the shot tell our warrior cells how to recognize and fight the flu. That's why if you get a flu shot, you are less likely to get sick with the flu. Getting vaccinated can also reduce the seriousness of illness if you happen to get sick.

Vaccines Protect You and Baby During Pregnancy

When you get vaccinated during pregnancy and your warrior cells learn to recognize and fight a particular illness, this information gets shared with your unborn baby. However, the protection offered to your baby starts to fade in the weeks and months after birth. That's why it's important to talk with your health provider about what vaccines both you and your newborn need to stay healthy.

Vaccines to Get When You're Pregnant

Several vaccines are recommended for pregnant people. These include:

- Tdap (whooping cough) vaccine
- Flu vaccine
- COVID-19 vaccine

Depending on your history, you and your doctor may decide that you need additional vaccines.

“As a new parent, I know that I'm not only responsible for my health, but for my baby's health too. Making sure our whole family is up to date on our vaccines gives me peace of mind that we are all doing what we can to stay healthy. I also feel like I am honoring our ancestors who did not always have access to these medicines.”

— Tame Eagle Staff, Muscogean & Ojibwa Lakota, Northern Arapaho, and Northern Cheyenne, Project Manager at the Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board



Vaccines and Breast/Chestfeeding

Breast/chestfeeding is one of the best ways to nourish, comfort, and connect with your baby. When you are vaccinated, breast/chestfeeding can also help you pass on important instructions for recognizing and fighting serious illnesses, like COVID-19. Likewise, getting vaccinated as a new parent makes it less likely that you will get sick and make your baby sick.

Talk with your health provider to learn what specific vaccines are recommended for you while you are breast/chestfeeding.



“One of the most common questions I get asked from many new parents and parents-to-be is whether it is safe to get vaccinated. The short answer is yes! You just need to check in with your health provider.”

— Dr. Lindsay Scott, M.D., Medical Provider and Treaty Medicine Tribal Member

The Choice is Yours

As you think about getting vaccinated, read up and bring any questions or concerns you have to your health provider. They can talk with you and help explain why certain vaccines are safe and effective and which vaccines you may want to temporarily avoid. They will also share other tools to keep you and your family healthy.

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Who Should Get Vaccinated

Whooping Cough (Diphtheria)	Elders 6 mos. and 6 mos. AND children 11 mos. and 11 yrs. old
Pneumonia	Elders 6 mos. and 6 mos. AND children 11 mos. and 11 yrs. old
RSV	Elders 6 mos. and 6 mos. AND children 11 mos. and 11 yrs. old
COVID & Flu	Everyone 6 mos. and older every year



Why Buggy Breat?

COVID and flu quickly change from their look. We need updated vaccines, so our bodies know how to fight these diseases.

Vaccines are Safe

Science and studies are clear. People are more likely to get sick by ignoring their bodies than by getting vaccinated to stay healthy.

Don't Have Regrets

The pros of taking vaccines outweigh the cons. Missing vaccines puts your child in and others at risk for serious illnesses.

Learn more

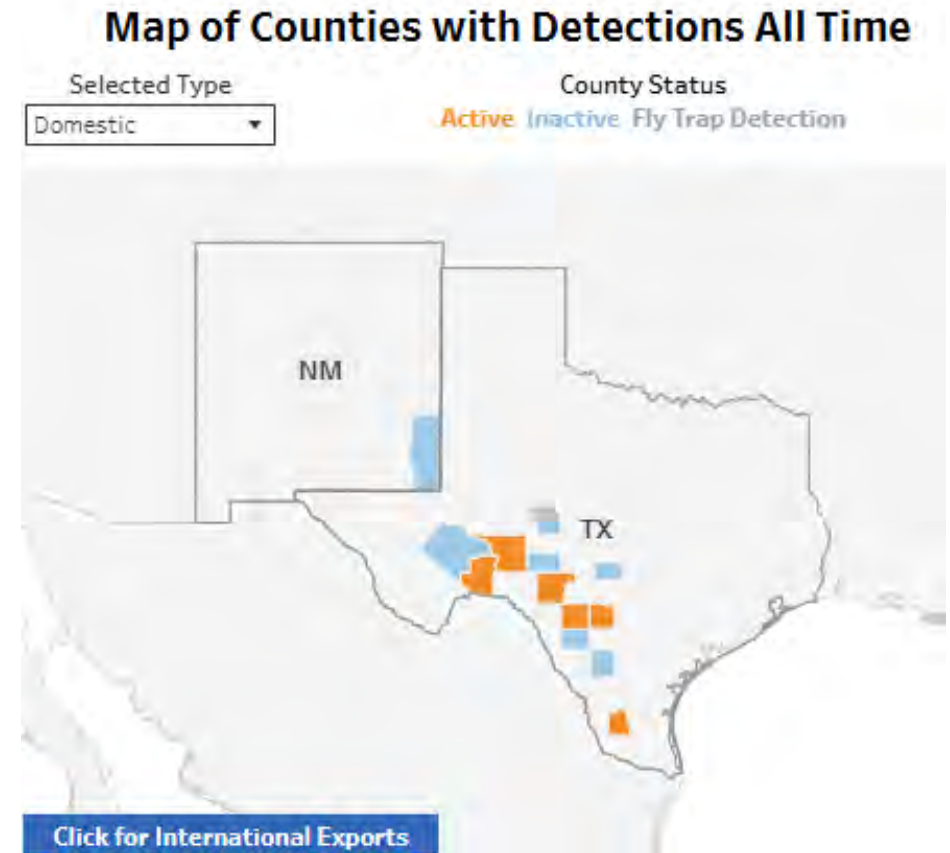
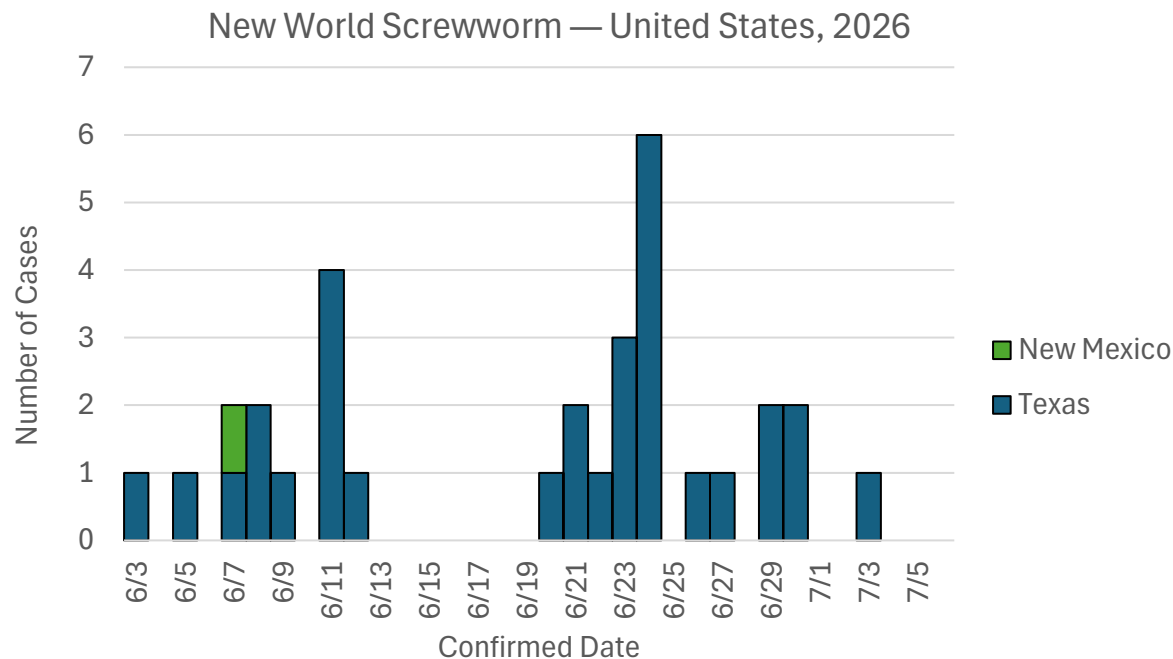
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New World Screwworm

- 6/3/26: First case confirmed in U.S., calf identified in Zavala County, Texas.
- Animal cases to date in US (through 7/6/26: 32 (31 in Texas, 1 in New Mexico); Cattle (17), Sheep (10), Goats (3), Dogs (2).
- No human cases identified in the U.S. to date.



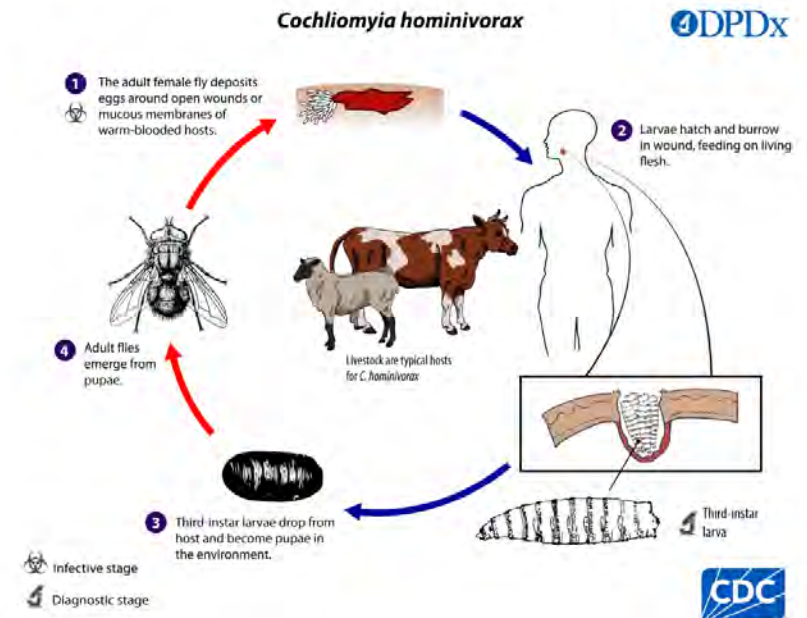
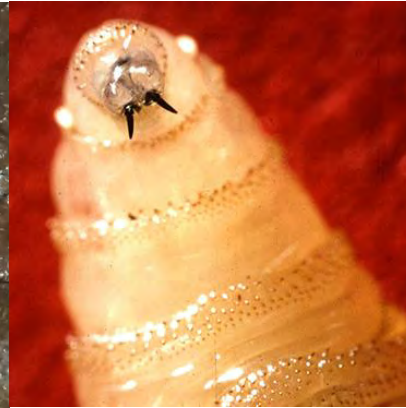
[Confirmed Detections of New World Screwworm | Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service](#)

New World Screwworm (cont.)

- The adult screwworm fly lays eggs in wounds or body openings/mucous membranes (e.g. nose, ears, eyes, mouth, genitalia, navel of newborn animals).
- Larvae (maggots) burrow and feed on healthy tissue causing wounds.
- Affects livestock, pets, wildlife and, less commonly, humans and birds.



USDA



New World Screwworm: What to Do if You Have a Suspected Case

Suspected human cases:

- History: Travel in past 10 days before symptom onset (e.g. to Texas, New Mexico, Mexico, Central or South America), exposure to animals.
- Larvae should be removed and placed in $\geq 70\%$ ethanol or isopropanol (5-10% formalin can also be used) in sealed, leak-proof container for identification. Do NOT leave larvae outside or throw larvae in the trash. Larvae not sent for identification should be submerged in alcohol and placed in a sealed plastic bag before disposing.
- Evaluate for and treat any secondary bacterial infections, provide wound care. Re-examine wound in 24-48 hours to assess for any additional larvae.
- Contact your Local or Tribal health department to report suspected cases.
- CDC's Parasitic Disease Hotline: 404-718-4745 (outside of business hours, EOC: 770-488-7100).
- Larval species identification
 - CDC's Diagnostic Parasitology Laboratory (dpdx@cdc.gov) – send at least 10 larvae if possible, with a representative sample of different larval stages present.

Reporting suspected animal cases:

- Livestock
 - Contact USDA Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service Veterinarian in charge for State: [Contacts - Animal Health | Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service](#)
 - AND
 - Washington State Dept. of Agriculture: <https://fortress.wa.gov/agr/apps/rad/> (360) 902-1878. [New World Screwworm | Washington State Department of Agriculture](#)
 - Idaho State Department of Agriculture: (208) 332-8500. [New World Screwworm | Idaho State Department of Agriculture](#)
 - Oregon Department of Agriculture Animal Health Disease Reporting Hotline: 503-986-4711. [ODA : New World Screwworm : New World Screwworm : State of Oregon](#)
- Wildlife: [Wildlife Services Contacts | Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service](#)
- Pets
 - Contact USDA Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service Veterinarian in charge for State: [Contacts - Animal Health | Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service](#)
 - Contact State Veterinarian: [USAHA | SAHO](#)
- Larval species identification: National Veterinary Services Laboratories (with [Parasite Submission Form](#))

New World Screwworm: Prevention

If in an area with New World Screwworm:

- Covers wounds.
- Wear long-sleeved clothes, hat, socks.
- Use an EPA-registered insect repellent (e.g. with DEET).
- Treat clothes and gear with 0.5% permethrin.
- Sleep indoors with window closed or use a bed net or screened tent.

Prevention in livestock:

- <https://www.aphis.usda.gov/livestock-poultry-disease/cattle/ticks/screwworm>
- <https://www.oregon.gov/oda/animal-health-feeds-livestock-id/animal-diseases/new-world-screwworm/Pages/NWS-in-Livestock.aspx>

New World Screwworm: Communication Resources

Stop New World Screwworm

New World screwworm (NWS) flies lay eggs in open wounds on animals and people. Their maggots eat living flesh, making wounds larger and more painful. Flies can lay eggs in wounds as small as a bug bite.

NWS is a danger to people and animals. Here's how you can help stop the spread of NWS:



Protect your skin.

- Clean and cover any cuts and wounds.
- Wear long-sleeved shirts, pants, socks, and hats to prevent bug bites.
- Wear bug repellent spray.
- Do not apply insecticide meant for use on animals to your skin.



Know the symptoms.

- Maggots in wounds or open sores
- Painful or stinky wounds that won't heal
- Movement or an itching sensation in the wound



Get help.

- Tell a supervisor if you see any sign of maggots in people or animals.
- Do not try to remove the maggots yourself.
- See a healthcare provider to get treatment right away if you think you have an NWS infestation.



Learn more:
www.screwworm.gov



New World Screwworm INFORMATION FOR LIVESTOCK OWNERS

New World screwworm (NWS) is a parasitic fly that infests warm-blooded animals and can cause significant financial losses for cattle producers. The female lays eggs in wounds, and the hatching larvae eat living tissue and can lead to death of the animal. NWS was eradicated from the United States in 1966 and periodically returns. The flies re-established in North America in 2023 and now threaten the U.S. southern border.

How to Recognize New World Screwworm

Wounds as small as a tick bite can be infested with NWS, and they are more likely to be around the face and genitals. Animals will be off-feed, painful, and often exhibit scratching and head shaking. Infested wounds may smell like dead carcass, have dripping bloody discharge or pus, and may suddenly get bigger. The ridged larvae can get up to 17 mm (2/3 in) long and generally burrow too deep to see but they may be visible. White eggs may be seen along the edges of the wound. The flies are the size of a typical house fly with orange eyes and green iridescent bodies.

How to Prevent New World Screwworm

- Wound prevention: delay dehorning, branding, castration, shearing, and vaccination until after fly season
- Inspect pens for sharp objects
- Treat for ticks
- Treat wounds promptly, including the umbilical stump of young animals. Use fly spray and bandage when possible
- Closely monitor the herd for wounds around face and genitals

If You Suspect New World Screwworm

Contact your veterinarian, and report to the ODA State Veterinarian at 503.986.4711

What to Expect if Infestation is Confirmed

Animal health officials will quarantine the animal until daily wound care and treatments with larvicides and insecticides have successfully eliminated the screwworm larvae. The USDA and ODA will investigate the case to determine if additional control measures of environmental treatment or sterile fly release is warranted. Treatment does not include destruction of livestock. The animal(s) may be released from quarantine when it is confirmed that no screwworm larvae remain.

ODA Animal Health Program • <https://oda.direct/AnimalHealth>

<https://www.oregon.gov/oda/Documents/Publications/AnimalHealth/AnimalDiseases/NewWorldScrewworm/NWS%20Livestock%20Producer%20Handout.pdf>



New World Screwworm: A Threat to Wildlife

Information for Hunters

New World screwworm (NWS) is a serious pest. When NWS fly larvae (maggots) burrow into the flesh of a living animal, they cause severe, often deadly damage to the animal, especially if treatment is delayed or not possible. NWS can infest livestock, pets, wildlife, and less commonly, people and birds.

NWS flies are attracted to open wounds, including tick bites, where they lay hundreds of eggs. The eggs hatch into larvae, which feed on living tissue to complete their life cycle. Newborn animals, animals that have recently given birth, or animals that have suffered an injury are most vulnerable. The flies may also be attracted to antler bases after shedding and mucous membranes.

State and Federal agencies are collaborating to wildlife, domestic animals, and people from NWS.

Why does NWS matter to hunters?

Reduced game populations
Deer and other species are vulnerable to NWS infestation, which can reduce the number of that survive and grow into adults. Untreated infested animals will die, leading to trends, fewer tags, and more restrictive seasons.

Restricted movement and disrupt
Wildlife management organizations could be additional physical check stations for game. Additional surveillance or control activities in areas could lead to closed hunting areas and



Adult screwworm flies are about the size of a common housefly (or slightly larger). They have red eyes and a metallic blue-green body with three black stripes on their back.



Screwworm larvae (maggots) cause extensive damage by tearing at the host's living tissue with sharp mouth hooks.



Larvae (maggots) burrow into a wound, feeding as they go. Wounds become deeper and larger as more larvae hatch and feed on living tissue.

What should you look for?

- Larvae (maggots) on live or very recently dead animals, because NWS feeds on living tissue.
- Larvae (maggots) in wounds or other body openings, such as the nose, ears, genitalia, and the navels of newborn animals.
- Wounds that have bloody discharge and foul odor.
- Animals that are in pain, lethargic, or aggravated.

What should you do if you see signs of NWS?

- Call your local Wildlife Services office at 866-4USDA-WS (866-487-3297) as soon as possible.
- Record the location (using GPS if possible).
- Take photos of the wounds and larvae if possible.
- Do not handle or transport the animal.

Help us protect animals and people!

Because NWS can spread quickly to new areas on infested animals, reporting signs of NWS is critical. Hunters and outdoor enthusiasts can be part of the first line of defense. We need your help to look out for this serious threat to U.S. agriculture, wildlife, and people. Even information about suspected cases of NWS (like pictures/videos from trail cameras) is helpful. Share this flyer with your organizations and communities to spread awareness!

How to protect yourself.

The following tips can help you avoid contact with flying insects, including NWS flies.

- Make sure all wounds are clean and completely covered.
- Use a U.S. Environmental Protection Agency-registered insect repellent. Use clothing and gear that has been treated with 0.5% permethrin.
- Avoid sleeping outdoors and protect sleeping accommodations with screens or bed nets.
- Check all harvested animals and yourself for larvae (maggots) after hunting.
- If you see or feel maggots (larvae) in or on a wound or other area of your body, contact your healthcare provider immediately.

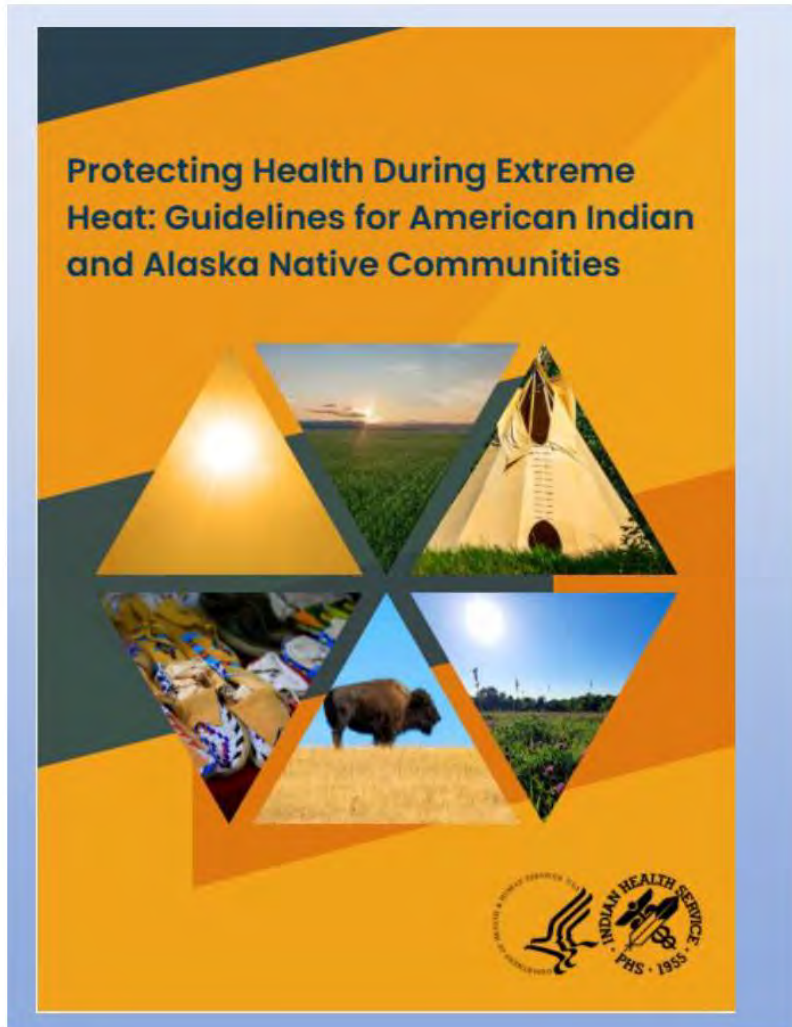
Report signs of NWS immediately!

Call 866-4USDA-WS (866-487-3297) to immediately report any suspicious wounds, maggots, or infestations to your local U.S. Department of Agriculture Wildlife Services office.



<https://www.aphis.usda.gov/sites/default/files/factsheet-nws-hunters-508.pdf>

Resources for Heat Preparedness



Signs of Heat Stroke and Heat Exhaustion

 **Heat Exhaustion**

- Passing out
- Tiredness/weakness
- Dizziness
- Nausea
- Vomiting
- Headache



- Move to a cooler or shaded area and lie down
- Remove outer layers of clothing
- Give cold water to drink
- Fan
- Get medical help if symptoms do not improve after 15 minutes or worsen

 **Heat Stroke**

- Body temperature above 104°F or warm to touch AND one of the following:
- Abnormal behavior
- Confusion
- Seizures
- Slurred speech



- Call 911!
- Move to a cooler or shaded area and lie down
- Remove outer layers of clothing
- Ice or cold water bath as soon as possible (if not possible, pour cold water over body and apply ice packs to palms and soles, cheeks, groin, and armpits)
- Fan

For more information scan the QR code: 

Prevention: 

Heat-Related Illnesses: 



[Flyer on Signs of Heat Stroke and Heat Exhaustion](#)

National IHS Public Health Council – Other Materials:

[Heat Preparedness Flyer](#)

[National Heat Awareness Month Flyer](#) (July)

[National Heat Awareness FB Post](#) (July)

Additional Resources:

[Heat Exhaustion vs. Heat Stroke Infographic](#)

[National Weather Service: Heat Safety for You and Your Family](#)

[OSHA: Prevent Heat Illness at Work](#)

California Area IHS: [Extreme Heat Toolkit for Tribes](#)

[Extreme Heat | Washington State](#)

[Department of Health](#)

[Oregon Health Authority : Extreme Heat : Get Prepared : State of Oregon](#)

[Warmer, drier conditions raise risk of summer health hazards | Idaho Department of Health and Welfare](#)

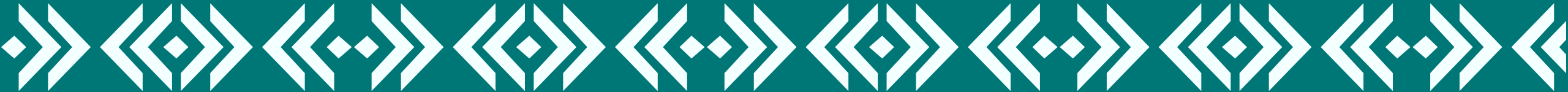
In the News

Bundibugyo Virus Disease (BVD)

- Ongoing outbreak of Bundibugyo virus, a species of orthoebolaviruses which cause Ebola disease, in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC) and Uganda.
 - As of 7/4, the DRC has reported 1,561 confirmed cases and 506 confirmed deaths (32% case fatality).
 - As of 7/6, Uganda has reported 20 confirmed cases, 1 probable case, 2 confirmed deaths and 1 probable death (14% case fatality).
 - On 6/24, France reported a case of Ebola in a physician who had worked in the DRC with the Alliance for International Medical Action; this person has now recovered and been discharged.
 - One American was previously flown from the DRC to Germany where they were treated and released. High-risk contacts were being monitored during the 21 day incubation period in Germany and the Czech Republic and have been released.
- Impact on Portland Area IHS: USPHS has been deploying officers to Kenya with plan to monitor Americans exposed to Ebola and to provide treatment as needed. 5/28: Court injunction stopping construction of facility in Kenya; next hearing July 23.
 - <https://www.nytimes.com/2026/05/26/us/politics/trump-ebola-kenya.html>;
 - <https://www.nytimes.com/2026/06/02/world/africa/kenya-ebola-us-quarantine-unit-court.html>.
- Incubation period: 2-21 days.
- Those returning from Ebola-affected areas should monitor for symptoms for 21 days after leaving the outbreak area. Infected persons cannot transmit ebolaviruses before they are symptomatic.
- Symptoms: Fever, severe fatigue, weakness, headache, myalgias/artralgias, sore throat followed by decreased appetite, nausea/vomiting, diarrhea, abdominal pain, unexplained bleeding.







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