Week In Review

February 28, 2023

Updates

ACIP Meeting (ACIP)
- None.

COCA Call (COCA)
- Tuesday, February 28. Epidemiology, Testing, and Management of Extensively Drug-Resistant Shigellosis

Vaccines and Related Biological Products Advisory Committee (VRBPAC)
- Tuesday, March 7.

MMWR Weekly (No 8)
- Interim estimates of 2022-2023 seasonal influenza vaccine effectiveness
- Effect of predeparture testing on postarrival SARS-CoV-2 positive test results among international travelers

Food & Drug Administration
- Feb 24 - FDA authorizes first OTC at-home test to detect both influenza and COVID-19 viruses

2022-2023 Flu Season

Week 7 (week ending February 18)
- Clinical Lab positivity: 1.0%
- Public Health Lab: Most frequently reported viruses: A(H3N2)
- Outpatient respiratory illness: 2.6%

Burden Estimates
- Illnesses: 25 M - 49 M
- Medical Visits: 12 M - 24 M
- Hospitalizations: 280,000 - 610,000
Deaths: 18,000 - 54,000

Seasonal influenza activity is low nationally.

Delaware Flu Cases
- Year to Date: 8,914
- New Castle: 4,111
- Kent: 2,202
- Sussex: 2,603

- This Week: 19
- ILI Rate: 1.3%

- Total Hospitalizations: 69
- Deaths: 1
- Vaccines Administered: 326,517 (33.7%)

Updates
- Viruses in Cambodian bird flu cases identified as endemic clade
- WHO announces recommendations for viral composition of influenza vaccines for the 2023-2024 season

Coronavirus Updates

Delaware (MyHealthyCommunity)
- Total - 330,332
- Deaths - 3,309 (25.9 per 10,000 people)

- New Castle - 186,739
Kent - 64,330  
Sussex - 78,150  
Hospitalizations - 128  
Critical - 11  
Tests Positive: 11.2%  

Vaccines  
- Fully Vaccinated - 645,258 (66.7%)  
- Partially Vaccinated - 95,554  
- Bivalent - 184,108

**Updates**

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**Emerging Infectious Diseases**

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World TB Day

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**Outbreak News**

**WHO Disease Outbreak News**
February 11: Global - Cholera  
February 17: Bangladesh - Nipah Virus  
February 24: Mozambique - Cholera  
February 25: Equatorial Guinea - Marburg Virus  
February 26: Cambodia - Avian influenza A (H5N1)

**CDC Outbreak List**
February  
- Artificial Tears - Drug-resistant infections  
- Unknown - *Listeria* infections

**Travel Notices**

- Warning, Level 3  
  - Earthquake - SE Turkey and NW Syria  
- Alert, Level 2  
  - Diphtheria - Nigeria  
- Watch, Level 1  
  - Chikungunya - Paraguay  
  - Marburg - Equatorial Guinea

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- COVID-19 vaccination coverage and demographic characteristics - infants and children aged 6 months - 4 years, United States  
- COVID-19 bivalent booster vaccination coverage and intent to receive booster vaccination among adolescents and adults
Preliminary estimates of effectiveness of monovalent mRNA vaccines in preventing symptomatic SARS-CoV-2 infection, children 3-5 years

Community Mobile Health Units

DPH Mobile Health Units provide HIV testing, counseling, and referral; COVID-19 testing and vaccines; blood lead testing; flu vaccines; and educational and resource connections. Click for weekly mobile unit times and locations.

- FINAL emergency SNAP benefits to be issued on February 28. Regular monthly food benefits will resume March 1.
- WHO: Measles and Rubella Initiative update

Immunization Coalition of Delaware
https://www.immunizedelaware.org/

If you have something you'd like to see added to the ICD's Week in Review, please let us know!

The next ICD Quarterly Meeting will be held on May 18, 2023

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