**Quarterly Meeting**

The next Quarterly Meeting of the ICD will be on **Thursday, February 16, 2023**, from **10:30 am - 12:00 pm**, online.

Topics of Discussion include:
- Flu Season 2022-2023
- School Health
- Emerging Infectious Disease
- COVID-19
- HPV and Geography
- RSV Vaccines

**Register Here**

**Updates**

**ACIP Meeting** ([ACIP](#))

**COCA Call** ([COCA](#))

**Vaccines and Related Biological Products Advisory Committee** ([VRBPAC](#))
- February 28 - March 1, 2023. Topics include the safety of ABRYSVO and AREXVY (RSV Vaccines by Pfizer and GSK, respectively).

**MMWR Weekly** ([No 5](#))
- COVID-19 mortality and progress toward vaccinating older adults (WHO)
- Early estimates of bivalent mRNA booster dose vaccine effectiveness in preventing symptomatic SARS-CoV-2 infection attributable to omicron BA.5- and XBB/XBB.1.5-related sublineages
- Spike gene target amplification in a diagnostic assay as a marker for public health monitoring of emerging SARS-CoV-2 variants
Information for persons who are immunocompromised regarding prevention and treatment of SARS-CoV-2 infection in the context of currently circulating omicron sublineages

Food & Drug Administration

None.

2022-2023 Flu Season

Week 4 (week ending January 28)

- Clinical Lab positivity: 2.1%
- 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 - 23 M
- Hospitalizations: 280,000 - 600,000
- Deaths: 17,000 - 53,000

Seasonal influenza activity continues to decline across the country.

Delaware Flu Cases
Year to Date: 8,823
New Castle: 4,062
Kent: 2,188
Sussex: 2,575

This Week: 38
ILI Rate: 11.6%

Hospitalizations this Week: 0
Deaths: 1
Vaccines Administered: 312,104 (32.3%)

Updates

Coronavirus Updates

Delaware (MyHealthyCommunity)
Total - 326,847
Deaths - 3,265 (25.6 per 10,000 people)

- New Castle - 184,794
- Kent - 63,646
- Sussex - 77,295
- Hospitalizations - 173
- Critical - 10
- Tests Positive: 13.6%
- Vaccines
  - Fully Vaccinated - 644,764 (66.6%)
  - Partially Vaccinated - 95,358
  - Bivalent - 180,491

Updates
- CDC provides an update on the most common Omicron lineages currently circulating in the US (image above)
- US House of Representatives to vote next week to end foreign air traveler COVID vaccine mandate.
- What ending the COVID-19 Health Emergency means

Emerging Infectious Diseases

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Read More

Outbreak News

WHO Disease Outbreak News
January 18: Ecuador - Human infection caused by avian influenza A(H5)

February 2: Paraguay - Measles

CDC Outbreak List
December
**Travel Notices**

- Alert, Level 2
  - Polio - Global
  - COVID-19 - China, Hong Kong, Macau
  - Japanese Encephalitis - Australia
- Watch, Level 1
  - Measles - Africa
  - Dengue - Africa and the Middle East

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- February 28 webinar, "Improving the vaccination experience: reducing pain and anxiety for children and adults."
- Early estimates of bivalent mRNA vaccine effectiveness in preventing symptomatic SARS-CoV-2 infection attributable to Omicron BA.5- and XBB/XBB.1.5-related sublineages among immunocompetent adults
- Information for persons who are immunocompromized regarding prevention and treatment of SARS-CoV-2 infection in the context of currently circulating omicron sublineages
- Lab-confirmed COVID-19 case incidence rates among residents in nursing homes by up-to-date vaccination status

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**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.

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- Experimental NIH Sudan virus vaccine protects macaques
- The new hashtag (diedsuddenly) twists tragedies to push anti-vaccine agenda
- Marburg vaccine shows promising results in first-in-human study
- WHO Statement of the 34th Polio IHR Emergency Committee

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

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