Week In Review

March 20, 2023

Updates

ACIP Meeting (ACIP)
- None.

COCA Call (COCA)
- None.

Vaccines and Related Biological Products Advisory Committee (VRBPAC)
- None.

MMWR Weekly (No 11)
- School-based interventions to increase student COVID-19 vaccination coverage in public school populations with low coverage
- Prevalence of previous dengue virus infection among children and adolescents
- First evidence of locally acquired dengue virus infection

Food & Drug Administration
- FDA issues EUA for Cue Mpox molecular test for use in a point-of-care setting

2022-2023 Flu Season

Week 10 (week ending March 11)
- Clinical Lab positivity: 1.0%
- Public Health Lab: Most frequently reported viruses: A(H1N1)
- Outpatient respiratory illness: 2.4%

Burden Estimates
- Illnesses: 26 M - 50 M
- Medical Visits: 12 M - 24 M
Hospitalizations: 290,000 - 620,000
Deaths: 18,000 - 55,000

Seasonal influenza activity remains low nationally.

A Weekly Influenza Surveillance Report Prepared by the Influenza Division
Outpatient Respiratory Illness Activity Map Determined by Data Reported to ILINet
This system monitors visits for respiratory illness that includes fever plus a cough or sore throat, also referred to as ILI, not laboratory confirmed influenza and may capture patient visits due to other respiratory pathogens that cause similar symptoms.

2022-23 Influenza Season Week 10 ending Mar 11, 2023

Delaware Flu Cases
- Year to Date: 9,022
- New Castle: 4,145
- Kent: 2,248
- Sussex: 2,631
- This Week: 8
- ILI Rate: 1.1%
- Total Hospitalizations: 70
- Deaths: 1
- Vaccines Administered: 330,623 (34.2%)

Coronavirus Updates

Delaware [MyHealthyCommunity]
Total - 332,526
Deaths - 3,342 (26.2 per 10,000 people)
- New Castle - 188,259
- Kent - 64,619
• Sussex - 78,578
• Hospitalizations - 78
• Critical - 7
• Tests Positive: 6.7%
• Vaccines
  • Fully Vaccinated - 645,910 (66.7%)
  • Partially Vaccinated - 95,793
  • Bivalent - 186,834

**Updates**
• FDA authorizes bivalent Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine as *booster* dose for certain children 6 months through 4 years of age
• SAGO statement on newly released SARS-CoV-2 *metagenomics* data from China CDC on GISAID
• WHO, advisors urge *China* to release all COVID-19 related data after new research

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**Outbreak News**

**WHO Disease Outbreak News**
March 14: Nepal - Measles

**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
  • Polio - Global
  • Diphtheria - Nigeria

Watch, Level 1
  • Dengue - the Americas
  • Measles - Africa
  • Lassa Fever - Nigeria
  • Chikungunya - Paraguay
  • Marburg - Equatorial Guinea

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**IZExpress** Weekly news from Immunize.org

Issue **1682**: March 15, 2023
- CDC - updates to screening recommendations for hepatitis B virus infection
- FDA approves IM injection as an option (in addition to SubQ) for MMR II, Varivax, and ProQuad vaccines

**Community Mobile Health Units**

DPH [Mobile Health Units](https://www.immunizedelaware.org/) 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.

- Vaccine makers prep avian flu shot for humans 'just in case'
- WHO: Message from the [Director](https://www.immunizedelaware.org/) of Immunization, Vaccines and Biologics

Immunization Coalition of Delaware

[https://www.immunizedelaware.org/](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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