

3/20/2024 NPHIC Call

I. **OC updates – Kevin Griffis**

Mentions the director's trip to Africa for public health diplomacy work. The launch of the new CDC website is 5/16, it will be staggered.

Measles coverage is a fair amount. There are efforts to provide greater context for where we are currently. (historically 2019, etc. versus now).

II. **Measles outbreak update – Janine Cory**

Reminders that outbreaks are driven by under or unvaccinated communities. The answer of why outbreaks is almost always US residents bringing it back via travel and spreading to those communities. International travel may need an additional vaccine for some adults. There is a travel specific dose (a zero dose) for 6 months of age (would still need to continue with standard dose).

She mentions CEU's being offered on the topic and inquires if other options are needed from the CDC.

A question from Jamie Bash asks if materials are adapted to take into mind of specific communities (culturally and linguistically as well as vaccine hesitant communities)

-Response is materials have been tested with other communities. (brings up a Somalin anti vax community in MN). She says the top line is educating physicians.

A question from Sonia Singh asks about addressing assumptions about where infections are coming from without stigmatizing other communities.

-Response mentions global page speaks about traveling internationally (rather than specifics worded like "countries like"). She always emphasizes the outbreaks usually stems from US residents travelling aboard to avoid targeting populations.

Question about seeing an uptick in other transmissible diseases.

-response expresses none as yet but awareness of spring break. Kevin Griffis jumps in and mentions outbreak of mpox being watched closely.

For questions email JCory@cdc.gov

III. **Mpox update – Cathy Young**

Offers slides.

Jamie Bash asks-about other channels to supplement effort rather than duplicating efforts.

-Response is going to share data.

Question from Larry Hill about uptick in mpox, specific concerns around pride festivals.

-Response about reaching out to sexual transmission people and mentioning stockpile of mpox vaccine needing to be used before they expire.

Question if Congo travel vaccine recommendations have changed to include mpox vaccine.

-Response is no, because level of contact required.

IV. **Insights Report – Anisha Verma**

https://centerforhealthsecurity.org/sites/default/files/2024-02/24-02-14-cdc-misinfo-playbook_0.pdf