

**Massachusetts Department of Public Health and the
Local Public Health Institute of Massachusetts**

Programming for September 2008 - August 2009

The standardized training programs currently offered by the Institute are listed below. Other training programs offered upon request are listed at the end of the document.

More information regarding learning objectives, dates and times, locations, CEUs and other details are listed on the Institute website.

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Foundations for Local Public Health Practice: Tools Need to Get the Job Done

- A comprehensive training that provides an in-depth overview of local public health practice. The course format includes six days in the classroom and six web-based sessions. It provides a solid foundation for emergency preparedness and other trainings offered by the Institute.
- Training level: awareness
- Target audiences are LBOH professionals who are new to the job or current professionals who would like to enhance their public health competencies. It can also be used for purposes of cross training staff.
- Instructors are experienced LBOH professionals in the field and MDPH staff.
- One session will be offered in the spring of 2009 (note that this session may be all classroom training).

Infectious Disease Surveillance, Reporting and Control: What is it all about?

- A 1-day classroom training that is considered core training on LBOH infectious disease responsibilities.
- Training level: performance
- Target audience is LBOH personnel who are responsible for infectious disease investigation.
- Instructors are MDPH health educators and epidemiologists.
- Four sessions will be offered in spring 2009.

Partners in Prevention: Infectious Disease Surveillance, Reporting and Control in MA

- This is the web-based version of the classroom training listed above and is accessible at any time on the Institute website.

Legal Nuts and Bolts of Isolation and Quarantine Training Program, Classroom Version, Part I (Using the Local Administrative Process to Enforce Isolation and Quarantine)

- A ½-day classroom training to prepare participants to respond to infectious disease cases by using 105 CMR 300 and understanding, implementing and enforcing isolation and quarantine.
- Training level: performance
- Target audiences are LBOH staff responsible for isolation and quarantine, and local lawyers and public safety who could be involved in helping LBOH implement.
- Instructor are Priscilla Fox (MDPH lawyer) and MDPH health educators
- Two sessions will be offered.

Legal Nuts and Bolts of Isolation and Quarantine Training Program, Classroom Version, Part II (Seeking a Court Order to Enforce Isolation and Quarantine)

- A ½-day classroom training that expands on Part I. It prepares participants to understand the process for seeking a court order to enforce isolation or quarantine when the LBOH's administrative process has not brought about compliance and cover necessary legal forms.
- Training level: performance
- Target audiences are LBOH staff responsible for isolation and quarantine and local lawyers.
- Instructors are Priscilla Fox (MDPH lawyer) and MDPH health educators.
- Two sessions will be offered.

Legal Nuts and Bolts of Isolation and Quarantine Training Program, Online Version

- This is the web-based version of the two classroom trainings listed above (Parts 1 and 2) and is accessible to registered participants at any time on the Institute website.

Personal Protective Equipment: Protecting Yourself and Your Community from Infectious Disease

- A ½-day classroom training developed to provide concepts and protocols for using infection control practices and PPE.
- Training level: performance
- Target audience is LBOH personnel who are responsible for infectious disease investigation.
- Instructors are MDPH health educators.
- Two sessions will be offered.

Preparing for and Responding to Retail Food and Water Emergencies

- A 1-day classroom training to provide LBOHs with the knowledge and tools needed to prevent or minimize foodborne illness and injury before, during, and after a single or widespread event.
- Training level: awareness
- Target audience is LHD staff that is responsible for retail food inspections and for developing and overseeing implementation of retail food and water emergency response plans within their community.
- Instructors are from the MDPH Food Protection Program.
- Two sessions will be offered.

Public Health Response to Chemical, Biological and Nuclear/Radiological Emergencies

- A ½-day classroom training that covers the basic aspects of CBNE emergencies, including terrorism. Participants will learn about the agents, signs and symptoms, how to respond to public inquiries and who to notify at the state/local level for sample collection and transportation.
- Training level: awareness
- Target audiences are LBOH staff, LEPC members and others involved in local public health response to emergencies
- Instructors are from the MDPH: Chemical Terrorism Response Laboratory, Bureau of Environmental Health, Radiation Control Program and Bureau of Laboratory Sciences.
- Two sessions will be offered.

Risk Communication Planning and Practice: Focus on Pandemic Flu

- A ½-day classroom training to provide an opportunity for LBOH professionals to gain knowledge in applying risk communication principles to managing communication during a pandemic.
- Training level: awareness
- Target audiences are Public Health Officers or others who may be designated to speak for LBOHs, and LBOH staff that would be involved in developing risk communications during a pandemic.
- Instructors are Bela Matyas, MD (MDPH) and Peter Judge (MEMA). MDPH health educators will facilitate the case studies.
- Two sessions will be offered.

Advanced Risk Communication

- This 1-day classroom training includes a review of risk communication and crisis communication principles and an opportunity to practice and strengthen risk communication skills.
- Training level: performance
- Target audiences are Public Information Officers or other local public health professionals who will have an active role in communicating with the media or the public during a public health incident. Participation in “Risk Communication Planning and Practice: Be Prepared for Pandemic Flu” or other basic risk communication is strongly recommended.
- Instructors are Susan Santos (Risk Communication Expert) and Bela Matyas, MD (MDPH).
- Two sessions will be offered.

Educating Communities on Flu Care at Home (Train-the-Trainer)

- This train-the-trainer is part of the larger Flu Care at Home statewide educational campaign whose overall goal is to provide the general public with the information and tools to care for persons with flu at home. The train-the-trainer is designed to train locally-based educators on the campaign content so they can then replicate it in their communities.
- Training level: performance
- Target audiences are LBOH personnel, MRC volunteers, school nurses and other locally-based educators.
- Instructors are MDPH health educators and nurses.
- Fourteen sessions are being offered in the fall of 2008.

New training program that is in development

More information will become available on the Institute website.

- A Day at the State Lab – An Orientation for Local Public Health to the Services Provided by the State Laboratory Institute

Other Standard Training Programs Offered Upon Request

Instructors are MDPH Infectious Disease Response Nurses, Health Educators, Scott Kenfield, Lisa Gurland and other MDPH staff.

Behavioral Health:

- Behavioral Health Disaster Response: Overview
- Behavioral Health Disaster Response Part I: Overview and Basics of Psychological First Aid
- Behavioral Health Disaster Response Part 2: Effective Communication in Emergency Settings

Delivering Medication and Vaccine during Emergencies at Emergency Dispensing Sites:

- Mass Dispensing Clinic Presentation
- Mass Dispensing Clinic: Smallpox Specific Presentation
- Using the Incident Command System (ICS) in an Emergency Dispensing Site (EDS)
- Emergency Dispensing Site (EDS) 1: Mechanics of an EDS
- Emergency Dispensing Site (EDS) 2: Facilitating Clients through an EDS
- Training of Trainers on EDS 1 and 2

Other Topics:

- Overview of Pandemic Flu
- Overview of Bioterrorism Agents
- Overview of Rash Surveillance