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Dear Colleague:

The mission of the New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene is to protect and promote the health and mental health of all New Yorkers. One of the agency's key functions is to provide training and education to New York City's medical community to ensure that providers have up-to-date medical information. Presentations are given by senior medical personnel and cover a wide range of topics including: disease control, health promotion and disease prevention, environmental health, epidemiology, health care access and mental hygiene. An updated list of available presentations is attached. Presentations must be scheduled by appointment; a contact person is provided for each area. In some areas, presentations on additional topics may be available upon request.

We are happy to offer this important service to medical providers. Together, we can ensure the prevention and control of acute and chronic diseases in New York City.

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TOPICS:

### *BIOTERRORISM*

- Bioterrorism: Medical and Public Health Preparedness
- Clinical Overview of Potential Bioterrorism Agents (From Anthrax to Tularemia)
- Bioterrorism and Hospital Preparedness
- Primary Care Emergency Preparedness
- Bioterrorism and Children: Medical and Public Health Perspectives
- 2001 Intentional Outbreak of Anthrax, New York City
- Anthrax as a Bioterrorist Weapon: Medical and Public Health Perspectives
- Smallpox as a Bioterrorist Weapon: Medical and Public Health Perspectives

- The 1947 Smallpox Outbreak in New York City – Lessons Learned for Bioterrorism Preparedness Today

*\*Other Topics May Be Available Upon Request*

#### *GENERAL INFECTIOUS DISEASE*

- Emerging Infectious Disease Threats in New York City
- Antibiotic Resistance – The Public Health Perspective
- Foodborne Diseases – A Public Health Perspective
- Imported Disease Threats in New York City
- Waterborne Disease Issues in New York City (Cryptosporidiosis to Legionellosis)

#### *SPECIFIC INFECTIOUS DISEASES (NON-BIOTERRORISM)*

- Cyclospora
- Influenza: More Than “Just the Flu”
- Avian Influenza and Pandemic Preparedness
- Transmissible Encephalopathies of Mad Cows and Humans: What is the Risk?
- Malaria – International and Local Public Health Perspectives
- Meningococcal Meningitis – The Public Health Perspective
- Rabies – Public Health Perspectives
- Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome (SARS) – Medical and Public Health Perspectives
- Invasive Group A Streptococcal Disease
- Group B Streptococcal Disease – Public Health Perspectives
- Tickborne Diseases in New York City

- West Nile Virus in New York City – An Update

*SURVEILLANCE/OUTBREAK INVESTIGATION*

- The City's Medical Detectives: An Overview of Communicable Disease Surveillance and Outbreak Investigations in New York City
- Infectious Disease Surveillance: The Role of Provider Reporting
- Surveillance and Epidemiology of Viral Hepatitis in New York City

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  - Bureau of HIV/AIDS Prevention and Control – Working to Control the HIV Epidemic in New York City

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  - Government/Community Partnerships: HIV Planning Council, Prevention Planning Group, Mayor's Commission on AIDS

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- Hot Topics in Childhood and Adolescent Immunizations
- Vaccine Update: Adolescent Immunizations
- Immunizations in the Adult Population
- Immunizations in the Ob-Gyn Patient
- Immunizations and School Requirements
- The Persistent Cough – Pertussis Epidemiology and Prevention
- Influenza Vaccination in the Pediatric/Adolescent Populations
- Influenza and Pneumococcal Immunization for Adults
- Importance of Influenza Vaccination for Health Care Workers:  
Approaches to Improving Coverage
- Vaccine Preventable Hepatitis
- Vaccine Storage and Handling
- The Immunization Registry: Tracking our Children
- Vaccine Myths
- New Vaccines
- Integrating New Vaccines into Practice
- Office-based Approaches to Improving Vaccination

- Citywide Immunization Registry: Improving Your Reporting
- Smallpox Vaccination Training
- Pandemic Influenza Planning

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- The Changing Epidemiology of STDs in New York City and Relevance for Clinical Practice
  - STD Prevention, Diagnosis, and Management
  - The 2002 CDC STD Treatment Guidelines - Current Recommendations on STD Diagnosis & Management

- An Update of NYC's Syphilis Outbreak & a Review of the Diagnosis and Clinical Management of Syphilis Infection
- Overview of Sexually Transmitted Infections: Focus on Adolescents
- Review and Update on Ulcerative STDs
- The Interpretation and Management of Syphilis Serologies: A Case-Based Discussion
- Genital Ulcer Disease – A Case-Based Review
- The Seroprevalence of Herpes Simplex Virus Type 2 in New York City – Results from a Population-Based Survey
- Neonatal Herpes: Epidemiology, Diagnosis, and Management
- STDs Among Men Who Have Sex with Men
- Lymphogranuloma Venereum

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- Partner Counseling and Referral Services for HIV Infected Persons

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- Epidemiology of TB: Update (e.g., Non-U.S.-born, Pediatric, HIV, Elderly)
- TB Reporting and Surveillance
- 2003 Updated ATS/CDC/IDSA Guidelines on Treatment of TB
- HIV and TB: Latest Recommendations on Treatment
- Guidelines: Treatment of Latent Tuberculosis Infection
- Pediatric TB and LTBI

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- Hepatitis C: Epidemiology, Prevention, and Control
- Hepatitis Prevention Counseling
- Viral Hepatitis Integration

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- Mycobacterial Laboratory Methodology
- Antimicrobial Susceptibility Testing
- Biosafety in BSL2 and BSL3 Labs

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- Laboratory Diagnosis of HIV-1 Variant Infection
- Laboratory Diagnosis of HIV-2 Infection

- Prevalence Of HIV-2 Infection in New York City

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- Overview of LRN Level A Lab Protocols for BT Agents
- Update on Antimicrobial Susceptibility Testing

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TOPICS:

- The Public Health Laboratory Response to Bioterrorism
- The Use of DNA Typing to Track Bacterial Infections
- The Role of Molecular Biology in Detecting and Tracking Infectious Diseases

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- Studies in Ketamine: A Very Popular Designer Drug
- The Common Goofs in Environmental Laboratories - VOC Analysis Of Drinking Water
- Analysis Of "LOVE STONE" - A Fatal Chinese Aphrodisiac
- Gas Chromatographic/Mass Spectrometric Analysis of Marijuana Embalming Fluid in Wet Smoking



- Mold Remediation
- Indoor Air Quality
- Adult Lead Poisoning
- Ergonomics
- Asbestos
- Paints and Polyurethanes

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TOPICS:

- Childhood Lead Poisoning in NYC
- Environmental Assessment and Control of Lead Hazards
- Identification of Other Lead Hazards in the Home (e.g. foods, spices, imported medicines, cosmetics, and occupational exposures)
- Prevention, Identification, and Management of Lead Poisoning in Children
- Prevention, Identification, and Management of Lead Poisoning in Pregnant Women
- Imported Herbal Medicine Products Contaminated with Lead and Mercury
- Healthy Homes: Identifying and Controlling Lead Hazards, Asthma Triggers, Mold, Pests, Chemical Poisoning Hazards, and Safety Hazards in the Home

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- Radioactive Materials Security

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- Environmental Determinants of Disease
- Environmental Mercury Exposure
- Pesticide Use and Policy
- Air Quality and Public Health
- Environmental Epidemiology

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- Recent Epidemic Poisonings in New York City
- Overview of Chemical Terrorism
- Common Pediatric Poisonings
- Poison Prevention Strategies

- The General Approach to the Poisoned Patient
- What's New in Drugs of Abuse
- Poisoning by Plants and Mushrooms
- Carbon Monoxide Poisoning
- Inhalational Toxicology (Environmental, Occupational, Household)
- Snake and Spider Envenomations

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- Prevalence and Trends of Different Health Topics
  - Homeless Health
  - Women's Health
  - Health Disparities
  - Community Health
  - TCNY Indicators

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- Obesity and Diabetes
  - Prevalence and Trends in Different Health Topics

- Community Health
- Immigrant Health
- Study Recruitment/Participation

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  - Women's Health Data
  - Intimate Partner Violence

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- Questionnaire Design
  - Cognitive Testing
  - Collecting Community Data Through Surveys
  - Advantages and Disadvantages of Survey Modes
  - Developing Local Surveys

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 Finding Public Health Information on the Internet

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 Electronic Death Registration System (EDRS)

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 World Trade Center (WTC) Health Registry

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- TB in the Correctional Setting
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- Male Chlamydia and Gonorrhea Screening Program in NYC Jails
- Correctional Public Health

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- Medical Discharge Planning: An Integrated Approach to Transitional Health Care for Incarcerated Individuals in City Jails
- Collaboration: Better Connections for Staff Yield, Better Services for Patients
- Discharge Planning Collaborative: Continuity of Benefits Workgroup

## FORENSIC BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES

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- The Forensic Mental Health System
- Case Management of Forensic Mental Health Consumers
- Brad H Settlement Agreement
- Mental Health Discharge Planning Services in the NYC Correctional System
- NYC DOHMH Forensic Initiatives

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- Medicaid Managed
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- Oral Health and the Importance of Sealants

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- PCIP
- Electronic Health Record
- E Prescribing (eRX)
- Regional Health Information Organizations (RHIOs)
- New York City Community Health Centers
- The Primary Care Health Information Consortium

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- Take Care New York

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- Health Disparities
- Government-community Collaboration
- Using Local Epidemiology to Help Set Health Priorities

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- Urban Health and Chronic Diseases: Innovative Approaches in New York City
- Epidemic Obesity in New York City and its Health Effects
- The Public Health Challenge of Excess Weight and Obesity
- Innovations in Chronic Disease Surveillance and Interventions in New York City

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- TOPICS:**
- Evidence-based Asthma Care Delivery
  - Principles of Long-term Medical Management of Asthma in Children
  - Principles of Long-term Medical Management of Asthma in Adults

## **CANCER PREVENTION AND CONTROL**

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- Increasing Colonoscopy Screening in NYC: Innovative Approaches
  - Colon Cancer Screening and Prevention

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- Cardiovascular Disease in New York City
- New York City's Trans Fat Education Campaign
- Prevent and Control High Blood Pressure
- Heart Healthy Eating: How to Read a Food Label

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- The Chronic Care Model
- Self-management Support: Goal Setting

**DIABETES PREVENTION AND CONTROL**

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- Diabetes: The Basics
- Know and Control your ABC's
- Self-management Education for Adults with Diabetes
- Diabetes in NYC: Epidemiology and Innovative Interventions

**PHYSICAL ACTIVITY AND NUTRITION**

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- Overview of Obesity in New York City
- Overview of Childhood Obesity in New York City
- Overview of SPARK Program: Implementation of Physical Activity Programs in NYC Day Care Centers and NYC Public Schools

*DAY CARE, PRE-SCHOOL, AND PRE-KINDERGARTEN STAFF*

- Overview of Childhood Obesity in New York City
- Infant and Child Feeding Practices
- Understanding and Implementing Nutritional Guidelines
- Menu Planning
- Methods for Increasing and Improving Daily Physical Activity and Exercise
- Physical Activity, Nutrition and Asthma

*PTA AND SCHOOL CHILDREN AUDIENCES*

- Overview of Childhood Obesity in New York City
- Mission Nutrition: Nutrition Tips for Children

*FOR GENERAL PUBLIC*

- Overview of Obesity in New York City
- Lifestyle Planning: Healthier Habits for Life

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- Public Health Detailing Campaigns in New York City
  - Asthma
  - Colon Cancer Screening
  - Contraception
  - Depression Screening
  - Diabetes – Targeted Neighborhoods as Well as Citywide
  - Emergency Contraception
  - Hypertension
  - Influenza Vaccination
  - Smoking Cessation – Targeted Neighborhoods as Well as Citywide
  
- Developing Appropriate Health Education Materials for the Patient and the Provider
  
- Effective Communications and Selling Skills with Health Care Providers

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- Implementing “Eat Well at Work” Policies
  
- The CDC Worksite Wellness Promotion Project: A Public-Private Partnership
  
- Implementing Smoking Cessation Projects in the Work Setting

**BUREAU OF MATERNAL, INFANT, AND REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH**

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TOPICS:

*OVERVIEWS AND PROGRAMS*

- Current Issues In Maternal and Infant Health
- Current Issues in Reproductive Health
- The Nurse-Family Partnership: An Evidence-based Approach to Improving Maternal and Child Outcomes
- The “Welcome Newborn” Home Visit Program: Reaching Out to First-Time Parents

*CONTRACEPTION*

- Contraception Update
- Emergency Contraception and Prevention of Unintended Pregnancy

*INFANT HEALTH*

- Infant Mortality Trends in NYC and Strategies to Reduce Disparities
- Perinatal Periods of Risk: An Approach to Analyzing Fetal and Infant Mortality
- Updating Our Approach to SIDS Risk Reduction: From Epidemiology to Practice
- Breastfeeding Trends and Promotion in NYC

*MATERNAL HEALTH*

- Active Maternal Mortality Surveillance and Maternal Mortality Trends in New York City
- Prevention and Maternal Deaths Through Improved Management of Hemorrhage

- Improving Perinatal Outcomes: Optimizing Women's Health Before Pregnancy

#### *TEEN PREGNANCY*

- NYC Trends and DOHMH Programs to Reduce Teen Pregnancy Rates
- Teen Pregnancy Prevention Programs: What Works and What Doesn't

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- Public Health Initiatives of the Office of School Health for New York City Children
- Vision Screening and Provision of Glasses in School

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- Public Health Initiatives of the Office of School Health for New York City Children
- Coordinated School Health
- Communicable Disease Investigations in a School Setting
- Managing Chronic Illness in a School Setting
- Asthma in Schools

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- The Commissioner's Five Point Plan
- Smoking Cessation
- Smoke Free Air Act
- Environmental Tobacco Smoke
- Tobacco Epidemiology
- NRT Project
- Reality Check
- Coalition
- Developing Community Partnerships

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- NYC DOHMH'S District Public Health Offices
- Health Disparities
- Government-community Collaboration
- Using Local Epidemiology to Help Set Health Priorities

**DIVISION OF MENTAL HYGIENE**

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- What is Quality in Mental Health Services and How Can We Measure and Improve It?
- Prevalence and Burden of Mental Hygiene Disorders in New York City
- Goals and Priorities for the DOHMH Division of Mental Hygiene
- Public Mental Hygiene Initiatives in New York City

**BUREAU OF PLANNING, EVALUATION, AND QUALITY IMPROVEMENT**

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- Substance Abuse
  - Buprenorphine Treatment for Opioid Dependence
  - Screening, Brief Intervention and Referral to Treatment
- Depression Screening and Management in Primary Care
- General Adult Psychiatry Topics (Schizophrenia, Bipolar Disorder, Depression and Anxiety Disorders)
- Mental Hygiene Sector Updates
  - Health Disparities
  - Latino Mental Hygiene Updates
- TCNY Overview (Spanish)

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- Injection Drug Use (IDU) Issues
- Buprenorphine
- Harm-reduction Model/Services
- The Chemical Dependency Treatment System in New York City
- Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Prevention Services in New York City

- Screening, Brief Intervention and Referral to Treatment

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- MR/DD Needs and Trends in New York City
  - Special Populations
    - MRDD-Substance Abuse
    - MRDD-Mental Health (Dual Diagnosed)
  - MR/DD Students Transitioning from DOE to MR/DD Service System

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