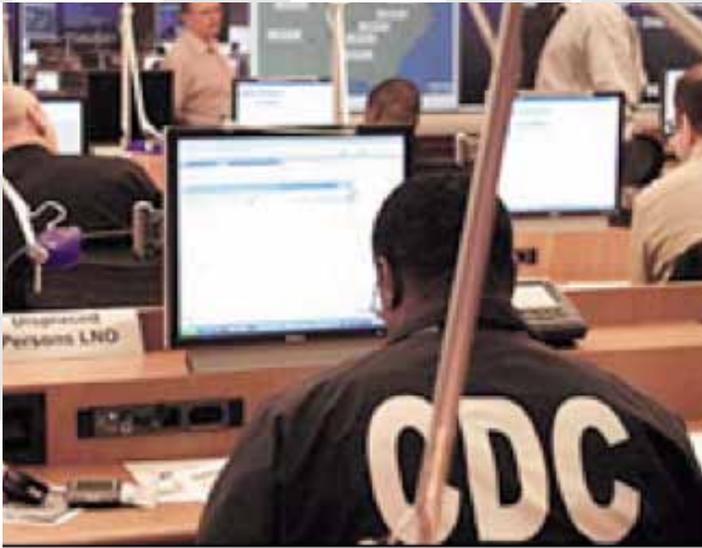


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CDC stands guard against health threats

- ◇ Investigated fungal infection associated with victims of the 2011 tornado in Joplin, Missouri.
- ◇ Provided scientific support and advice on potential risks of nuclear reactors damaged by the Japan earthquake and tsunami in 2011.
- ◇ Protected and monitored health of workers involved in 2010 Deepwater Horizon oil cleanup
- ◇ Helped prevent 7,000 cholera deaths after 2010 earthquake in Haiti.
- ◇ Identified 2009 H1N1 virus and developed vaccine and rapid information campaign that helped prevent 5-10 million infections, 150,000 hospitalizations, and 1,500 deaths in the U.S.

America's security depends on a strong, well-coordinated public health system that can respond to health threats and contagion.

- ◇ CDC is the U.S. health protection agency, defending the U.S. and the world from threats, whether these are chronic or acute, manmade or natural, human error or deliberate attack.
- ◇ CDC strengthens America's public health systems at the local, state, and national levels to respond to all hazards.
- ◇ CDC coordinates local, national, international, and private sector responders to handle emergencies around the globe.



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