The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) released the **Public Health Emergency Preparedness and Response Capabilities** in 2018 to support continued advancement of state, local, tribal, and territorial public health preparedness programs.

**Drivers for the updates**
- Evolution of public health preparedness guidance and resources
- Lessons learned from public health emergency responses
- Findings from internal CDC reviews and assessments
- Feedback from the public health preparedness practice community

**What’s new in the capabilities?**
- Expands strategies that plan for disproportionately impacted populations
- Accounts for public health consequences of environmental hazards in emergencies
- Incorporates considerations for maintaining chemical laboratory capacity
- Modernizes information technology and data security measures
- Expands medical countermeasure strategies to include vaccination
- Promotes social media use to keep communities safe and aware
- Strengthens responder safety and control measures

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