

CDC Laboratory Science and Safety: Mission Critical

- **ADLSS:** With the creation of the Office of the Associate Director for Laboratory Science and Safety, we've created for the first time, a single point of oversight, training, and engagement of laboratory safety and quality for all laboratory staff.
- **ADLSS:** In addition to providing oversight for our labs, we *educate* our staff about the importance of transparency in reporting potential safety issues.
- **Dr. David Sue:** We perform our work in a high-containment laboratory and it is my responsibility as the lead investigator to ensure the highest levels of laboratory safety, and to protect my research scientists and the CDC community.
- **Dr. David Sue:** The office, offers a centralized reporting portal where CDC lab staff can easily access and report laboratory incidents so that they can be addressed in a timely manner.
- **Dr. David Sue:** This is one example of how the office improves safety in my laboratory, and promotes the culture of safety in all CDC laboratories.
- **ADLSS:** The investment in lab science and safety must remain, so that we are able to carry out our commitment to control, contain, and eliminate health threats for the American people.
- **ADLSS:** This is the best way we can be secure in addressing the complex public health challenges of our day and for all of us to be safe and protected.