

Endnotes

- 1 References to CDC also apply to the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR) and the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH).
- 2 *Public Health Preparedness Capabilities: National Standards for State and Local Planning*; CDC, Office of Public Health Preparedness and Response (2011). Available at <http://www.cdc.gov/phpr/capabilities/index.htm>
- 3 National Health Security Strategy; U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (2009). Available at <http://www.phe.gov/Preparedness/planning/authority/nhss/Pages/default.aspx>
- 4 The office was originally established in 2002 as the Office for Terrorism Preparedness and Emergency Response and renamed the Coordinating Office for Terrorism Preparedness and Emergency Response in 2005 during a CDC reorganization. In 2009, the name of the office was changed to the Office of Public Health Preparedness and Response as part of CDC's organizational improvement.
- 5 The National Response Framework, which replaced the National Response Plan in 2008, establishes a comprehensive, national, all-hazards approach to domestic incident response (<http://www.fema.gov/pdf/emergency/nrf/nrf-core.pdf>). This document and the National Preparedness Guidelines constitute the core of the nation's preparedness policies.
- 6 The three previous CDC preparedness reports are the following:

Public Health Preparedness: Strengthening the Nation's Emergency Response State by State; CDC, Office of Public Health Preparedness and Response. Published in 2010, this report features national data as well as individual fact sheets for the 50 states and 4 localities supported by CDC's Public Health Emergency Preparedness cooperative agreement. The report also highlights snapshots of state and local response activities occurring during the 2009 H1N1 influenza pandemic. Available at <http://www.cdc.gov/phpr/pubs-links/2010/>.

Public Health Preparedness: Strengthening CDC's Emergency Response; CDC, Office of Public Health Preparedness and Response. Published in 2009, this report explains CDC's role in preparing the public health infrastructure to respond effectively to all types of hazards. The report also describes the broad range of preparedness programs funded at CDC and at state and local health departments which are supported by the Congressional Preparedness and Emergency Response allocation. Available at <http://www.cdc.gov/phpr/pubs-links/2009/>.

Public Health Preparedness: Mobilizing State By State; CDC, Office of Public Health Preparedness and Response. Published in 2008, this report highlights preparedness progress and challenges at state and local public health departments and outlines CDC's efforts to address those challenges. The report presents national data as well as state-specific snapshots for the 50 states and 4 localities supported by CDC's Public Health Emergency Preparedness (PHEP) cooperative agreement. Available at <http://www.cdc.gov/phpr/pubs-links/2008/>.
- 7 *From Hospitals to Healthcare Coalitions: Transforming Health Preparedness and Response in Our Communities. Report on the Hospital Preparedness Program*; U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response (2011). Available at <http://www.phe.gov/Preparedness/planning/hpp/Documents/hpp-healthcare-coalitions.pdf>
- 8 The possession, use, and transfer of biological agents and toxins that could pose a severe threat to public health and safety are regulated by CDC's Select Agent Program. See <http://www.cdc.gov/phpr/dsat.htm>.
- 9 The total LRN number of laboratories fluctuates over time. LRN laboratories' assessment of the specific agents that they need to test for can change, and the resources available to maintain membership may change as well.
- 10 2008 data: Association of Public Health Laboratories (APHL) data from the 2008 All-Hazards Laboratory Preparedness Survey, 8/31/2007-8/30/2008. 2010 data: APHL data from the 2010 All-Hazards Laboratory Preparedness Survey, 8/10/2009-8/9/2010.
- 11 Metropolitan statistical areas (MSAs) are composed of multiple counties and are defined by the U.S. Office of Management and Budget. More information is available at <http://www.census.gov/population/www/metroareas/metrodef.html>.