

# **Performance Improvement Managers Network Webinar**

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## **❑ What we do**

- ❑ Advance the use of law as a public health tool**

## **❑ How we do it**

- ❑ Providing services and resources such as technical assistance, publications, and workforce development**

## **❑ Whom we serve**

- ❑ CDC programs and state, tribal, local, and territorial (STLT) communities**

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## **❑ Technical assistance**

- ❑ Provide legal technical assistance on STLT issues**
- ❑ Often partner with CDC programs and subject matter experts**

## **❑ Examples**

- ❑ 50-state survey of STLT laws affecting mass distribution of SNS assets**
- ❑ Contract language to Maine to overcome legal barrier for ESAR-VHP system**
- ❑ Real-time tracking of STLT laws during leg sessions**

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## ❑ Publications

- ❑ Publish research, analysis, written materials, and other resources that highlight strategies
- ❑ Publish through third parties or self-publish

## ❑ Examples

- ❑ Overview of legal issues for public health lab sharing
- ❑ Menu of selected healthcare-associated infection legal provisions
- ❑ Social Distancing Law Project
- ❑ *Public Health Law News* (~75,000 subscribers)

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## **☐ Workforce development**

- ☐ Training—“Public Health 101”—currently going through comprehensive revision of curriculum**
- ☐ Fellowships—positions for new attorneys in public health law**

## **☐ Examples**

- ☐ Local health officer training—series of public health law training sessions for a new community of new local health officers**
- ☐ TASII—public health law training for CDC project officers (developing with OSTLTS partners)**

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## **☐ PHLP's Customers**

- ☐ STLT public health practitioners and leadership**
- ☐ STLT public health attorneys**
- ☐ CDC grantees**
  
- ☐ You!!**

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