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This issue contains guidance documents relevant to current public health events and information from **January 17–January 30**

The next COCA Update is scheduled for **February 13**.

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#### Additional Resources

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## CDC Emergency Response

### 2016 Zika Virus

#### General Resources

##### **NEW:** Grand Rounds Presentation—Zika Virus: A Primer for Nurses

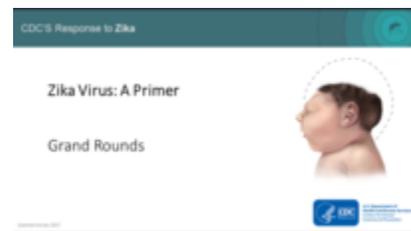
CDC developed slides and a facilitation guide about Zika virus for nurses that can be used for grand rounds and other presentations. This presentation covers the following topics:

- Epidemiology, clinical manifestation, and clinical presentation of Zika
- CDC guidance on pregnancy planning and contraception
- CDC guidance on diagnosing and testing for Zika
- Protecting pregnant women, infants, and children from Zika
- Preventing transmission of Zika virus in healthcare settings
- CDC activities

[https://www.cdc.gov/zika/pdfs/grandrounds\\_nursing\\_scriptfaq.pdf](https://www.cdc.gov/zika/pdfs/grandrounds_nursing_scriptfaq.pdf)

#### Zika Virus Information for Healthcare Providers

CDC's Zika webpage for healthcare provider resources.  
<http://www.cdc.gov/zika/hc-providers/index.html>



## Key Messages—Zika Virus

A collection of the most up-to-date, cleared information on the ongoing Zika virus outbreak  
<http://www.cdc.gov/zika/pdfs/zika-key-messages.pdf>

## Print Resources in Different Languages

CDC fact sheets and posters for distribution to patients are available in Spanish, Arabic, Tagalog, Vietnamese, Mandarin, Creole, Korean, and other languages. These resources cover a variety of topics, including travel information, insect repellent, sexual transmission, and mosquito control.  
<http://www.cdc.gov/zika/fs-posters/index.html>

## Clinicians Caring for Pregnant Women and Women of Reproductive Age

### **NEW: Grand Rounds Presentation—Zika Virus and Pregnancy**

CDC developed slides and a facilitation guide about Zika virus for obstetric healthcare providers that can be used for grand rounds and other presentations. This presentation covers the following topics:

- Epidemiology, clinical manifestation, and clinical management of Zika
- CDC interim guidance on diagnosing and testing for Zika
- Protecting pregnant women from Zika
- Preventing transmission of Zika virus in labor and delivery settings
- CDC activities

[https://www.cdc.gov/zika/pdfs/facilitationguidefaqs\\_pregnancy.pdf](https://www.cdc.gov/zika/pdfs/facilitationguidefaqs_pregnancy.pdf)

## Pregnancy and Zika Testing

<http://www.cdc.gov/zika/hc-providers/testing-for-zikavirus.html>

## U.S. Zika Pregnancy Registry

CDC and state, tribal, local, and territorial health departments request that healthcare providers, especially obstetric and pediatric healthcare providers, participate in the U.S. Zika Pregnancy Registry.  
<http://www.cdc.gov/zika/hc-providers/registry.html>

## Clinical Guidance for Healthcare Providers Caring for Pregnant Women

<http://www.cdc.gov/zika/hc-providers/pregnant-woman.html>

## Clinical Guidance for Healthcare Providers Caring for Women of Reproductive Age

<http://www.cdc.gov/zika/hc-providers/women-reproductive-age.html>

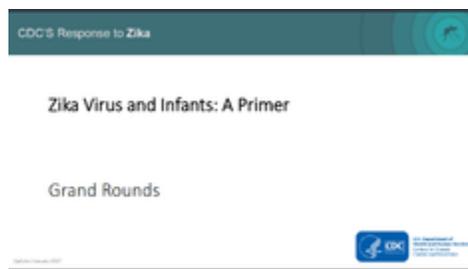
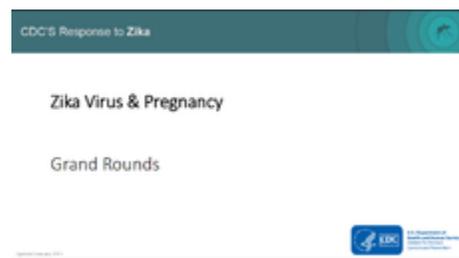
## Clinicians Caring for Infants and Children

### **NEW: Grand Rounds Presentation—Zika and Infants: A Primer**

CDC developed slides and a facilitation guide about Zika virus for pediatricians that can be used for grand rounds and other presentations. This presentation covers the following topics:

- Epidemiology, clinical manifestation, and clinical management of Zika
- CDC guidance on diagnosing and testing for Zika
- CDC guidance on treatment of infants with abnormalities consistent with congenital Zika syndrome
- Protecting infants and children from Zika
- CDC activities

[https://www.cdc.gov/zika/pdfs/facilitationguidefaqs\\_pediatricians.pdf](https://www.cdc.gov/zika/pdfs/facilitationguidefaqs_pediatricians.pdf)



## Clinical Guidance for Healthcare Providers Caring for Infants & Children

<http://www.cdc.gov/zika/hc-providers/infants-children.html>

## Sexual Transmission

### Zika and Sexual Transmission

<http://www.cdc.gov/zika/transmission/sexual-transmission.html>

## Travel Information

### Zika Travel Information

<http://wwwnc.cdc.gov/travel/page/zika-information>

### Advice For People Living In or Traveling to Brownsville, Texas

On December 14, 2016, CDC issued guidance related to Zika for people living in or traveling to Brownsville, Cameron County, TX, and has designated Brownsville as a Zika cautionary area (yellow area). On November 28, the Texas Department of State Health Services reported the state's [first case](#) of local mosquito-borne Zika virus infection in Brownsville. Additional cases of mosquito-borne Zika have been identified in the area, suggesting that there is a risk of continued spread of Zika virus in Brownsville.

<https://www.cdc.gov/zika/intheus/texas-update.html>

## Clinical Evaluation and Testing

### Guidance for U.S. Laboratories Testing for Zika Virus Infection

<https://www.cdc.gov/zika/laboratories/lab-guidance.html>

### Clinical Evaluation & Disease

<http://www.cdc.gov/zika/hc-providers/preparing-for-zika/clinicalevaluationdisease.html>

### Testing for Zika

<https://www.cdc.gov/zika/hc-providers/testing-for-zikavirus.html>

## State, Local, Tribal, and Territorial Health Department Resources

### CDC Zika Interim Response Plan

The purpose of this document is to describe the CDC response plan for locally acquired cases of Zika virus infection in the continental United States and Hawaii.

<https://www.cdc.gov/zika/public-health-partners/cdc-zika-interim-response-plan.html>

### State, Local, Tribal, and Territorial Health Department Resources

<https://www.cdc.gov/zika/public-health-partners/index.html>

### Zika Community Action Response Toolkit (Z-CART)

The Z-CART outlines an approach to risk communication and community engagement planning and is intended as a template for state, local, and tribal agencies to adapt to their needs and to use for reviewing plans for communicating about Zika during the event of a locally transmitted Zika virus.

<http://www.cdc.gov/zika/public-health-partners/z-cart.html>

## CDC News and Announcements



**NEW:** Tune in to Safe Healthcare Webinar: Reducing Infection in the Outpatient Dialysis Facility—Results of the Standardizing Care to Improve Outcomes in Pediatric End Stage Renal Disease (SCOPE) Collaborative

**Date:** January 31, 2017 3:00-4:00 PM EST

This presentation will include a discussion of results of the Standardizing Care to Improve Outcomes in Pediatric End stage renal disease (SCOPE) Collaborative, which is a Quality Transformation Network for dialysis centers serving children aiming to:

- Improve patient outcomes
- Support collaborating pediatric nephrology centers
- Enable physicians to meet the ABP Part IV MOC requirements
- Generate new knowledge and evidence-based clinical practices in the pediatric nephrology population

<https://www.cdc.gov/hai/prevent/safe-healthcare-webinars.html>

### **CDC Science Clips: Volume 9, Issue: 3**

Each week, select science clips are shared with the public health community to enhance awareness of emerging scientific knowledge. The focus is applied public health research and prevention science that has the capacity to improve health now.

[www.cdc.gov/library/sciclips/issues/](http://www.cdc.gov/library/sciclips/issues/)

## **Public Health Preparedness**

### **Emergency Preparedness and Response for Health Professionals – (CDC)**

Find preparedness resources for health professionals at

<http://emergency.cdc.gov/health-professionals.asp>

### **Emergency Preparedness and Response Training Resources for Clinicians – (CDC)**

Find online and in-person training resources at

[emergency.cdc.gov/coca/trainingresources.asp](http://emergency.cdc.gov/coca/trainingresources.asp)

## **Natural Disasters and Severe Weather**

### **Winter Weather – (CDC)**

<http://www.cdc.gov/disasters/winter/index.html>

### **Food and Water Needs: Preparing for a Disaster or Emergency – (CDC)**

<http://www.cdc.gov/disasters/foodwater/>

### **Health and Safety Concerns for All Disasters – (CDC)**

<http://www.cdc.gov/disasters/index.html>



## **Infectious, Vector-Borne, and Zoonotic Diseases**



**Multi-state Outbreak  
of Seoul Virus**

### **NEW: Official CDC Health Alert Network (HAN) Health Advisory— Investigation of Seoul Virus Outbreak Associated with Home-based, Rat-breeding Facilities in Wisconsin and Illinois**

CDC and health officials from Wisconsin and Illinois are conducting an investigation of Seoul virus infections among pet rats and persons exposed to rats at rat-breeding facilities in Wisconsin and Illinois. Seoul virus is a member of the hantavirus group of rodent-borne viruses. People who become infected with this virus often exhibit relatively mild or no symptoms, but some will develop a form of hemorrhagic fever with renal syndrome (HFRS) with death in approximately 1–2% of HFRS cases. Although serologic studies have indicated the presence of Seoul virus in wild rats in the United States, this is the first known outbreak associated with pet rats in the United States.

<https://emergency.cdc.gov/han/han00400.asp>

## **Seasonal Influenza**

### **Weekly U.S. Influenza Surveillance Report: Flu View**

– December 31 (CDC)

Flu View is a weekly influenza surveillance report prepared by CDC's Influenza Division. All data are preliminary and may change as CDC receives more reports.

<http://www.cdc.gov/flu/weekly/>



### **Information for Health Professionals – (CDC)**

The pages listed offer public health and healthcare professionals key information about vaccination, infection control, prevention, treatment, and diagnosis of seasonal influenza

<http://www.cdc.gov/flu/professionals/index.htm>

### **2016–2017 Flu Season – (CDC)**

<https://www.cdc.gov/flu/fluview/1617season.htm>

## **Travel Safety**

### **Current Travel Warnings – January 13 (U.S. Department of State)**

The U.S. Department of State issues Travel Warnings when long-term, protracted conditions make a country dangerous or unstable. Travel Warnings recommend that Americans avoid or carefully consider the risk of travel to that country. The State Department also issues Travel Warnings when the U.S. government's ability to assist American citizens is constrained due to the closure of an embassy or consulate or because of a drawdown of State Department staff.

[travel.state.gov/content/passports/english/alertswarnings.html](http://travel.state.gov/content/passports/english/alertswarnings.html)

## **Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report (MMWR)**

MMWR publications are prepared by CDC. To electronically subscribe, go to [www.cdc.gov/mmwr/mmwrsubscribe.html](http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/mmwrsubscribe.html)

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- [Invasive Cancer Incidence and Survival — United States, 2013](#)
- [Cluster of an Unusual Amnestic Syndrome — Massachusetts, 2012–2016](#)
- [Prevalence of Pelvic Inflammatory Disease in Sexually Experienced Women of Reproductive Age — United States, 2013–2014](#)
- [Association Between Infant Mortality Attributable to Birth Defects and Payment Source for Delivery — United States, 2011–2013](#)



## **Food, Drug, and Device Safety**

### **MedWatch: The FDA Safety Information and Adverse Event Reporting Program – (FDA)**

MedWatch is your FDA gateway for clinically important safety information and reporting serious problems with human medical products.

<http://www.fda.gov/Safety/MedWatch/default.htm>

### **FoodSafety.gov: Reports of FDA and USDA Food Recalls, Alerts, Reporting, and Resources – (HHS/USDA/FDA/CDC/NIH)**

FoodSafety.gov lists notices of recalls and alerts from both FDA and the U.S. Department of Agriculture. Visitors to the site can report a problem or make inquiries.

[www.foodsafety.gov/recalls/recent/index.html](http://www.foodsafety.gov/recalls/recent/index.html)

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[Clinician Outreach and Communication Activity](#) – resources for healthcare providers

[COCA RSS Feed](#) – subscribe to be notified of conference calls, updates, and CDC guidance for health providers

[Crisis & Emergency Risk Communication Training](#) – training program that draws from lessons learned during public health emergencies, and incorporates best practices from the fields of risk and crisis communication

[Health Alert Network](#) – CDC's primary method of sharing cleared information about urgent public health incidents with public information officers; federal, state, territorial, and local public health practitioners; clinicians; and public health laboratories



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