

Wellness and Prevention Digest

TODAY'S NEWS - April 21st, 2022



Reports and Announcements

- The Community Preventive Services Task Force (CPSTF) recommends [park, trail, and greenway infrastructure interventions combined with additional interventions](#), such as structured programs or community awareness, to increase physical activity. A systematic review of evidence shows interventions lead to a 18.3% median increase in the number of people who used the parks, trails, or greenways and a 17% median increase in the number of people who used them to engage in moderate-to-vigorous physical activity.
- The Liver Health Initiative has announced that a team of internationally renowned leaders in medicine and academia have joined their [Advocates for Prevention campaign](#), which promotes effective solutions to the negative stigma and lack of preventive liver information that underlies current worldwide epidemics of liver related diseases. A complete list of Advisory Board members is available [here](#).
- The Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response's (ASPR) Technical Resources, Assistance Center, & Information Exchange (TRACIE) team has released two new resources:
 - The [Climate Change Resilience and Healthcare Considerations document](#) provides an overview of climate trends in the U.S., outlining the impacts of climate-related illness and injury on health system operations, care delivery, and patient surge. The [Summary Document](#) highlights select considerations for planners to incorporate into new/existing plans specific to climate change.
 - In spring 2022, ASPR TRACIE conducted a review of open-source materials to determine crisis standards of care (CSC) actions taken by each state during the COVID-19 pandemic. This included review of relevant CSC declarations and media accounts of crisis conditions at healthcare facilities. This [summary document](#) provides key findings from the review and recent literature, and challenges and suggestions for future work to help ensure a more equitable, uniform response in the future.

Events

- Reminder: The next [Age-Friendly Public Health Systems training](#) will take place **today**, April 21st at 3:00 p.m. (ET) and will focus on the public health role in supporting older adults living with HIV and in the context of the social determinants of health. The speaker for this training, Dorcas Baker with the MidAtlantic AIDS Education and Training Center at Johns Hopkins University School of Nursing, will highlight the challenges experienced by older adults living with HIV and the roles of public health in meeting these challenges.
- Reminder: TFAH has opened [registration](#) for a virtual Congressional briefing and national webinar on our new report, [Ready or Not 2022: Protecting the Public's Health from Diseases, Disasters and Bioterrorism](#). The event will take place on April 26, 2022 at 3:30 PM Eastern, and will include a panel of subject matter experts that will discuss the nation's readiness for public health emergencies, examine the findings of the report, and discuss key recommendations for policymakers.
- Join the National Indian Health Board from May 9th - 12th for the virtual [National Tribal Public Health Summit](#). This year's theme is Tribal Health is Public Health. The summit is the premier American Indian and Alaska Native specific public health annual gathering elevating public health policy and its impact on Tribes. It serves as a forum for practitioners, researchers, and policy experts to mobilize in the arenas of public, behavioral, and environmental health.

Take Action

- American Public Health Association is circulating an [organizational sign-on letter](#) to appropriators in support of the \$401.85 million request included in the President's FY23 Budget for CDC's National Center for Environmental Health. To join the letter, please fill out [this form](#) by 12:00 p.m. (ET) **tomorrow**, April 22nd.
- Big Cities Health Coalition, Prevention Institute, and Safe States Alliance are circulating an [organizational sign-on letter](#) supporting an FY23 appropriations request for at least \$250 million for Community Violence Intervention and Prevention funding for CDC's Injury Center. This letter is part of a coordinated effort to gain support for a larger CVI appropriations for both CDC and DOJ. The deadline to [join the letter](#) is **tomorrow**, April 22nd at 3:00 p.m. (ET).