



Disability Health Committee Newsletter

Philadelphia Department of Public Health

Dear Colleague,

We wanted to share the below updates with you about COVID-19 vaccination opportunities and new disability-specific resources available through the Philadelphia Department of Public Health (PDPH).

Disability Health Survey- The Philadelphia Department of Public Health holds public Disability Health Forums to inform Philadelphia's disability community on areas of concern in public health emergency preparedness and response, share resources/ insights, and support dialogue between community members and public health administrators. Please distribute to your network/ community and fill out this short survey to help us plan future Disability Health Forums.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/LRKJQYN>

Public Disability Health Forum- On October 11, 2022 10:30am, The Philadelphia Department of Public Health, in partnership with the Mayor's Commission on People with Disabilities, will host a public Disability Health Forum to inform Philadelphia's disability community on areas of concern in public health emergency preparedness and response, share resources/ insights, and support dialogue between community members and public health administrators.

ASL will be provided. Please contact Liam Dougherty at liam.dougherty@phila.gov for any additional accommodations by October 4, 2022.

Click here to register: <https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZAufuCvpzMqGNH7vI0p3Fw4gOhjTkNAmisz>

PDPH Health Information Portal- For printable material and guidance on heat, MPX, severe storms, and other potential emergencies, visit <https://bit.ly/PHPGuidance>

COVID Testing Kits for Distribution by CBOs- The Philadelphia Department of Public Health (PDPH) has procured a supply of at-home COVID-19 test kits and will be offering these tests to community-based organizations (CBOs) serving clients and patrons in areas of high COVID-19 risk. Prior to completing this request form, please ensure that you have read through the program information sheet and agreed to the following set of requirements.

https://phlpublichealth.iad1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_eewZACG10fvFGd0



Extreme Heat Webinar- PDPH has put together this webinar on how to prepare yourself, what to look out for, and other information on Extreme Heat. ASL is provided.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=c4cgREcub-A>

Free at-home COVID-19 tests for blind/low-vision people- If you are blind or have low vision, you can order the more accessible tests online at <https://special.usps.com/testkits/accessible> or by calling 1-800-232-0233. These tests will be available for order until supplies run out. For more information, visit <https://acl.gov/covid19/tests-people-who-are-blind-or-have-low-vision>

Best,

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