

Community Response Partner Network

PUBLIC HEALTH PREPAREDNESS NEWSLETTER

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THANK YOU!

We want to personally thank you for your continued commitment to the health and well-being of all Philadelphians.

We appreciate the relationships we have built together, and we are excited to continue our partnerships in 2025.

Over **1,700 partners** receive this newsletter and share vital information with Philadelphia's most vulnerable, top-priority neighbors.

In 2024, you helped us reach communities across the city to prepare for and respond to public health emergencies, **such as measles, extreme heat, severe storms, and infectious illnesses like COVID-19, seasonal flu, RSV and now H5N1.** Together, we provided community education about utility assistance, healthcare access, city resources and more.

We mailed respiratory health information to all **6,000 Block Captains** in Philadelphia. Trainings were held exclusively for Block Captains, older adults, and trusted messengers; many of these trainings were offered with interpretation as well.

Earlier this year, we launched the **Philadelphia Language Access survey.** We plan to share highlights from the results with you in the coming weeks.

None of this would have been possible without your participation in the Community Response Partner Network. **Thank you!**

We are looking forward to more meaningful collaboration in 2025 as you help us to ensure we all stay safe, healthy and informed.

Community Response Partner Network Resources

PDPH INFO

Have a question? Contact the Call Center at 215-685-5488.

The PDPH Call Center is open Monday through Friday from 8:30am - 5:00PM.

- Information on City public health guidance, services, resources, and more!
 - Press 3 for interpretation in your language, press 2 for Spanish.
 - Dial 711 for TRS/TTY assistance.

Find us online!

- Health Department website: phila.gov/COVID
- Health Department social media: facebook.com/phillyhealth and twitter@PHLPublicHealth.

COVID-19 RESOURCES

Get free at-home COVID-19 tests!

Visit a Health Department Resource Hub for testing kits (three kits per person).

- bit.ly/ResourceHubsPHL
 - No insurance or ID required.

Community-based organizations, organizers, venues, and the public can apply to receive 100 free at-home kits and face masks to share with their communities.

- bit.ly/TestKitDistrib

PREPAREDNESS AND EMERGENCY RESOURCES

Learn more about respiratory viruses and people with disabilities.

- Respiratory virus resources: bit.ly/RespVirusResources
- Tailored health promotion materials: bit.ly/CDCHealthPromo

Sign up for ReadyPhiladelphia alerts - text 'ReadyPhila' to 888-777!

Be the first to know about emergencies like severe storms by receiving free text messages.

- Available in English, French, Arabic, Russian, Spanish, Vietnamese, Simplified Chinese, Haitian Creole, Portuguese, Swahili, and American Sign Language (ASL).

Text-to-911 in Philadelphia

People who are Deaf, Hard-of-Hearing, and anyone facing communication barriers can use this service to send an emergency text to 911 in Philly.

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