

Visit the [LPHA Info Hub](#) for news and links to resources.

Several updates have been made to the Hub recently, including:

- All content from CLPHS webpages moved to the Hub
- 2025 Legislative Session committees and hearing schedule links added to **Links** section on landing page
- New box (and top menu item) added for the statewide Pathways internship program

UPDATES

Governor Kehoe gave his State of the State Address this week, listing among his top priorities public safety, education, and childcare. [Summary](#) with links to recording, full budget, budget brief, etc.

Director Nickelson's retirement reception will be held Feb 4th. If you'd like to submit a message and/or photos for a memory booklet DHSS Office of Public Information is putting together for Paula, submit your content to: <https://stateofmissouri.wufoo.com/forms/paula-nickelson-retirement-message-lphas/>

Contract due dates:

- [VFC 2025-2026 Flu Vaccine Pre-book](#) due January 31

Upcoming dates:

- Jan 31: Midwest High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area survey closes
<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/MWHORSPH2025survey>
- Feb 1: CLPHS website content officially moves to LPHA Hub at [MO-LPHA.com](#)
- Feb 4: LPHA update call (3:30 – 4:30 pm); see calendar at LPHA Hub at [MO-LPHA.com](#) for connection link

FPHS Costing Assessment FY24: MU will soon be starting their training sessions for the FY24 FPHS Costing Assessment. To register now for the upcoming sessions, please visit the links below.

1. [Tab 04. DH-37 Tab Instructions](#)
2. [Tabs 05. & 06. Current Labor and Background Tab Instructions](#)
3. [Tab 07. Current Spending Tab Instructions](#)

NEWS

1/29/2025: Missouri issues an emergency rule that establishes new testing standards for avian influenza, allowing in-state testing and waiving fees. <https://www.firstalert4.com/2025/01/29/missouri-issues-emergency-rule-expand-testing-bird-flu/>

1/28/2025: White House rescinds the temporary pause on federal funds disbursements through grants, loans or assistance programs while they reevaluate them.
<https://www.cnn.com/2025/01/29/politics/white-house-rescind-federal-funding-freeze/index.html>

1/27/2025: The TB outbreak in the Kansas City area is now the largest documented TB outbreak in US history, with 67 active cases under treatment and 79 latent cases.

<https://www.kdhe.ks.gov/2242/Tuberculosis-Outbreaks>

1/27/2025: The first confirmed case of HPAI H5N9 in poultry in the US was reported on a duck farm in California this week. <https://tinyurl.com/ywypmwk3>

1/27/2025: SIDS rates in the US increased by nearly 12% between 2020 and 2022, and were higher among Black, Native American and Pacific Islander babies than White or Asian infants.

<https://tinyurl.com/5xvbt22h>

1/27/2025: Heart disease remains the leading cause of death in the US, with 10,000 more deaths in 2022 compared to 2021 (most recent years of data). Every 34 seconds a person living in the US dies of heart disease (2500 people every day). <https://tinyurl.com/25ha5atc>

1/27/2025: CDC employees directed to stop working with WHO immediately.

<https://tinyurl.com/4ae5ym5b>

OPPORTUNITIES

NACCHO is launching an MCH Policy Innovating Program (MCH PIP) Learning Community, with up to 10 LPHAs. Participants will work in interdisciplinary teams with cross-agency and state-level partners and community members with lived experience. This 2-year initiative (project period: March 2025-July 2027) aims to support LHDs to develop and implement policies addressing social determinants of health (SDOH) to improve maternal and child health. [Details and application](#). Applications are due by February 21, 2025. Contact Victoria Thompson at vthompson@naccho.org with questions.

WEBINARS/TRAINING/CONFERENCES

Jan 30, 2:00 pm, Ask Us Anything: The State of Social Media for Public Health Communicators, Public Health Communications Collaborative. Join public health communications peers for a dynamic discussion on social media amid rising health dis- and misinformation. Learn practical ways to connect with your communities online, and share your questions and challenges with experts in communications and public health. [Register](#)

Feb 4, Jab Gab Childhood and Adolescent Vaccination Updates for Professional Webinar
Show Your Love with Lifelong Immunity-Addressing Pediatric Vaccine Hesitancy, MU Continuing Education for Health Professions. [Register](#)

NEW! Feb 5, 12:00 – 1:30, Building Trust through Action: Black History Month Reflections with Community Leaders, Boston Univ School of Public Health. The conversation will consider the intersection of trust and health and will reflect on the role community organizations can play in building trust among historically marginalized communities of color and how this can inform public health practice. [Register](#)

Feb 12, 2:30 – 3:30 pm, Approaches to Engaging the Amish Community, FOCUS Jurisdictional Chat, CDC. Hear from a panel of jurisdictions currently working with the Amish community on increasing vaccine uptake. Ask your questions and share your experiences engaging the Amish community and partners on vaccine uptake. [Register](#)

Mar 3 – 5, Community Health Worker Association of Missouri Conference. [Register](#)

April 1 – 2, Rural Health Workforce Development Conference, Missouri Rural Health Association. [Register](#)

April 2, 10:00 am, Regional LPHA meeting in Boone County; Save the date, details to come

April 3, 10:00 am, Regional LPHA meeting in Adair County; Save the date, details to come

April 16, 10:00 am, Regional LPHA meeting in Platte County; Save the date, details to come

April 30, 10:00 am, Regional LPHA meeting in Butler County; Save the date, details to come

May 1, 10:00 am, Regional LPHA meeting in St. Charles County; Save the date, details to come

May 6, 10:00 am, Regional LPHA meeting in Springfield-Greene County; Save the date, details to come

May 5 - 9, 2025, Basic Inspections and Investigations Course for New Manufactured and Retail Regulators. \$350 fee and class size limited to 18 people. [Register](#)