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Weekly Situational Awareness Brief

Awareness Topics

CISA Releases Expansion of its Secure Tomorrow Series Toolkit

“CISA has updated the Secure Tomorrow Series Toolkit to aid critical infrastructure in navigating evolving risks posed by social, technological, economic, environmental, and political changes. This update introduces new topics such as ICT supply chain resilience, advanced manufacturing, and water availability, complementing existing modules covering brain-computer interfaces, synthetic biology, quantum technologies, anonymity and privacy, trust and social cohesion, and data storage and transmission.”

Dozens of federal agencies’ call data potentially exposed in AT&T breach

“AT&T is a prime contractor on the government's \$50 billion telecom contract vehicle and supplies infrastructure and bandwidth for the FirstNet public safety communications program.”

In a nod to resiliency, FEMA will take climate change into account when rebuilding

“Now FEMA is expanding its definition of the floodplain, following an executive order from President Joe Biden that forced government agencies to tighten rules about how they respond to the increasing risk of floods. In a significant shift, the new standard will require

the agency to factor in the impact of climate change on future flood risk when it decides where and how it's safe to build.”

Bird flu could become a human pandemic. How are countries preparing?

“As cases of avian influenza continue to rise in cattle in the United States, countries are preparing for the possibility that the virus could start spreading in people. Many nations are ramping up surveillance, as well as purchasing vaccines or developing new ones. “This virus in its current state does not look like it has the characteristics of causing a pandemic. But with influenza viruses, that equation could entirely change with a single mutation,” says Scott Hensley, an immunologist at the University of Pennsylvania in Philadelphia.”

Disability and Health Data Now

“Disability doesn't have to equal poor health. However, adults with disabilities are more likely to be obese, smoke, have high blood pressure, and be physically inactive. These are all preventable factors that can increase the risk for chronic diseases such as heart disease, stroke, diabetes, and some cancers, which are also more common among adults with disabilities. CDC created the Disability and Health Data System (DHDS) to provide the vital information needed to better understand the health needs of adults with disabilities at the state and national levels. Equipped with these data, state and territorial epidemiologists, researchers, policy makers, public health professionals and everyone interested in the health of adults with disabilities can plan for inclusive communities that offer the programs and services needed to improve the health of this population.”

Joint Commission Standards for High Consequence Infectious Disease (HCID) Infection Control Resources

“The following resources provide guidance for your organization to be ready for the new Joint Commission standards for infection control, effective July 1, 2024. Please check this page frequently as resources will be updated and added in the future.”

Upcoming MESH Educational Offerings

July 25 (free) - Opioid Death Prevention and Naloxone Administration

(In-person one-hour training at 10am, 11am, or 1 pm at 1202 W. 16th St. Indianapolis. Registration required, Email Monica and indicate time attending)

August 1, 8, 15, and 22 (free) - Emergency Preparedness and Resilience Coach

(In-person. Registration required.)

August 6 (free) - MESH Grand Rounds Series

(Virtual. Registration required.)

August 20 (free) - [A.W.A.R.E. MindfulnessSM Level 1](#)
(Virtual. Registration required.)

August 27 (\$30) - [OSHA Workplace Stress Management Safety](#)
(Virtual. Registration required.)

Events

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