

Zika Collaboration Meeting: Ensuring Healthy Tribes Through State and Local Partnership

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Objectives

At the end of this presentation, attendees will be able to:

- Describe the structure of LDH/OPH/BCP.
- Explain what LDH/OPH/BCP can offer to the tribes of Louisiana.
- Describe how tribes can connect with their local LDH/OPH offices and staff if they have a need, suggestion or question.

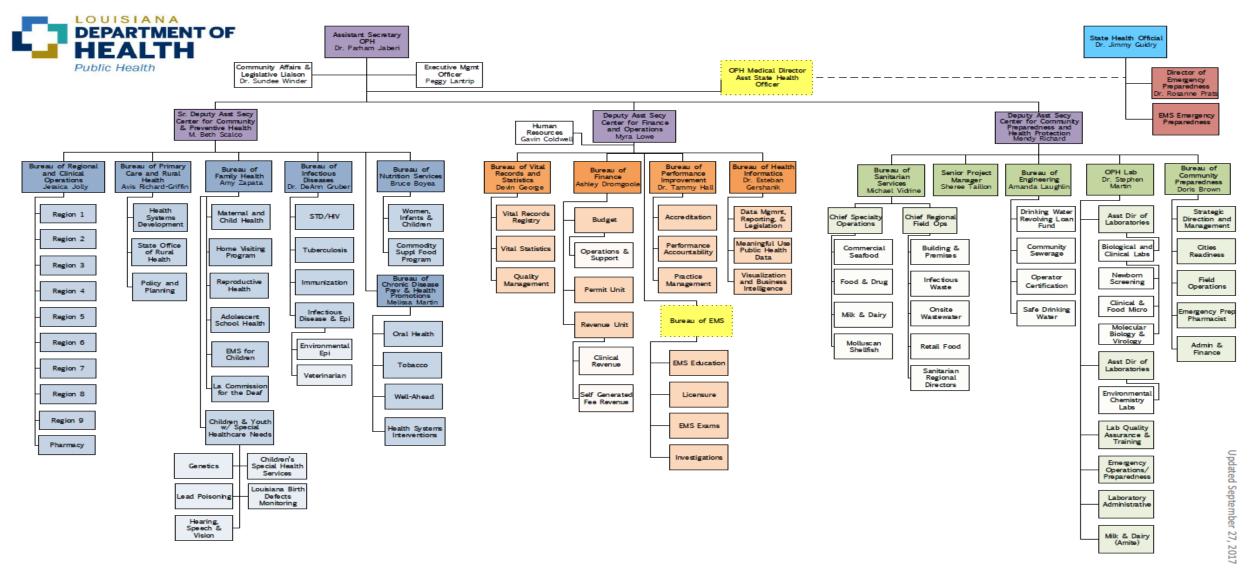


Louisiana Department of Health

➤ The mission of The Department of Health (LDH) Office of Public Health (OPH) is to protect and promote the health and wellness of all individuals and communities in Louisiana. We accomplish this through education, promotion of healthy lifestyles, preventing disease and injury, enforcing regulations that protect the environment, sharing vital information and assuring preventive services to uninsured and underserved individuals and families.



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Office of Public Health

- The LDH Office of Public Health, characterized by a trained and highly motivated workforce, will employ science-based best practices to ensure that all people in Louisiana have the opportunity to grow, develop, and live in an environment that promotes the physical, behavioral and social health of individuals, families and communities.
- ➤ Public Health professionals are motivated daily by how individuals and communities are working together to improve their health. As custodians of the public's trust and money, we strive to stay connected to what's most important to improve the health of individuals and families.



Bureau of Community Preparedness

- ➤ BCP is responsible for ensuring that the activities of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Public Health Emergency Preparedness (PHEP) Cooperative Agreement Program (42 U.S.C. 247d-3) are carried out as identified in the Bureau's work plan.
- The purpose of the PHEP program is to develop emergency-ready public health organizations by upgrading, integrating and evaluating state and local public health jurisdictions' preparedness for and response to terrorism, pandemic influenza, and other public health emergencies.

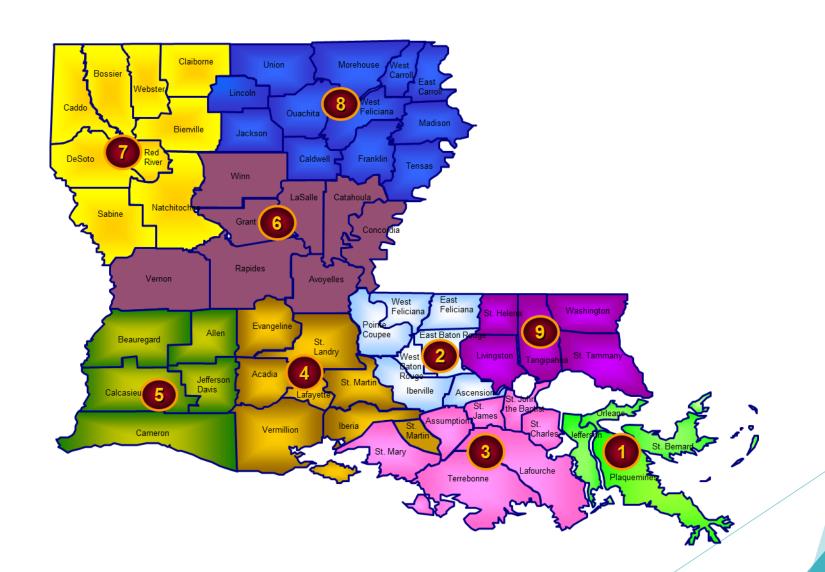


Bureau of Community Preparedness

- To accomplish the goals set forth by the CDC in the PHEP, BCP follows its mission to build healthy communities through prevention, preparedness and response.
- To achieve its mission, BCP works closely with its colleagues, local, state and national preparedness partners to increase public awareness about the importance of preparing for emergencies and to encourage individuals to take action.
- > The Bureau of Community Preparedness has a vision of healthy, safe and prepared communities. BCP's core values are teamwork, caring, diversity, integrity, credibility, innovation and knowledge.
- > The Bureau of Community Preparedness works along with the local 9 public health regions to carry out its mission throughout the state.



Office of Public Health Regional Map





What we can offer to the Tribes

- ► Technical Assistance planning prevention strategies for Zika virus.
- ► Access to CDC and other expert information.
- ►Zika Prevention Kits for pregnant woman.
- ►Zika educational information for your members.
- Linkages to LDH and other agencies state services.
- Access to local OPH health professionals in your area.
- Information and Assistance with other health issues.



Region 3- St. John, St. James, St. Charles, Assumption, Lafourche, St. Mary & Terrebonne Parishes

- Federally recognized Tribe: The Sovereign Nation of the Chitimacha.
- State recognized Tribe: United Houma Nation
- Medical Clinic: Chitimacha Health Clinic, 3231 Chitimacha Trail, Charenton, LA 70523
- All Zika, flu and other infectious disease updates received by Region 3 OPH office are sent to the tribal contacts. Al Russell, R3 ZPOC attended a tribal health fair and handed out Zika information along with other EP literature.



Region 3- St. John, St. James, St. Charles, Assumption, Lafourche, St. Mary & Terrebonne Parishes

- Zika Prevention Kits delivered to both groups, with recipients being pregnant women.
- Region 3 had one Zika exercise that was held in Jefferson and included some state and parish partners. Tribes did not participate in this exercise.
- ►Zika Virus information is routinely going to the RN for the Chitimacha Health Clinic and to Ms. Lanor Curole, Vocational Rehabilitation Director, for the United Houma Nation via our Partner Notifications. Outreach via the Chitimacha Health Clinic is provided to the tribe via the RN at the clinic. For the United Houma Nation, outreach is disseminated via the Vocational Rehab Director to tribal members.



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Public Health Emergency Response Coordinator (PHERC)

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Zika Prevention Outreach Coordinator:

Al Russell

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Region 5- Beauregard, Allen, Calcasieu, Jefferson Davis, Cameron Parishes

- Federally recognized Tribe: Coushatta Tribe
- ▶The Coushatta have a Tribal Health Unit.
- ► Region 5 PHERC and ZPOC met with members of the tribe and did a presentation on Zika, Flu, and PODS. We also obtained a Closed POD MOA with the Coushatta nation.
- ►Zika Prevention Kits can be requested by the tribe for distribution to pregnant women.
- ▶The Coushatta tribe has not participated to date in EP exercises.



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Region 6- Winn, Grant, La Salle, Catahoula, Concordia, Vernon, Rapides, Avoyelles Parishes

- Federally recognized Tribes: Tunica-Biloxi Indian Tribe and Jena Band of Choctaw Indians
- State recognized Tribe: Clifton Choctaw
- The tribes have their own medical facilities but also receive care within the community.
- ▶ Region 6 OPH invites tribal members to our meetings, they are included in group messages regarding emergency preparedness, epi, infectious disease, and we participate when asked in health care events.



Region 6- Winn, Grant, La Salle, Catahoula, Concordia, Vernon, Rapides, Avoyelles Parishes

- Tribal members can call our Hospital Nurse Coordinator or Zika Outreach person to access any information or materials. Also, these groups are included on email group messages that go out and they can have access to the materials.
- Tunica-Biloxi Indian Tribe and Jena Band of Choctaw Indians are on our contact list and receive email outreach. Clifton Choctaw is a state recognized tribe and they are also on our email contact list. To our knowledge, none of the tribes have participated in EP exercises with OPH.



Region 6 Office of Public Health Contact Information

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Region 7- Caddo, Bossier, Webster, Claiborne, Bienville, De Soto, Red River, Sabine, Natchitoches Parishes

- State recognized Tribes: Adai Caddo in Natchitoches Parish and the Choctaw-Apache Tribe of Ebarb.
- Tribal members receive medical care in the community. No tribal medical clinics.
- ► The Region 7 PHERCS/ZPOCS interact and inform the tribes on Zika preparedness/prevention phone calls, email or meetings at the Cultural Center.
- ► Zika prevention kits have been given to all the parish health units in Region 7. Also, contact information has been provided for our ZPOC.



Region 7- Caddo, Bossier, Webster, Claiborne, Bienville, De Soto, Red River, Sabine, Natchitoches Parishes

- ▶ Both tribes have access to Zika information through their health care providers in the community, who have been given kits, infographics, magnets, etc.
- The 3 tribes in our region have received the tribal Zika packets back in August 2016. They have since then received updates on Zika via email addresses and receive other health information or any regional health activities sent out by the state or regional offices.



Region 7 Office of Public Health Contact Information

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Public Health Emergency Response Coordinator (PHERC)

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Zika Prevention Outreach Coordinator:

Missy Bartlett

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Region 9- St. Helena, Tangipahoa, Washington, Livingston, St. Tammany Parishes

- State recognized Tribe: Chahta Tribe in Slidell, LA.
- Tribal members receive medical care in the community. No tribal medical clinics.
- The Region 9 PHERCS/ZPOCS have attempted to contact Queen Chief Warhorse, the leader of the tribal community.
- Our Region 9 ZPOC stands ready to work with the tribe and deliver educational materials and prevention kits for pregnant women once points of contact are provided.



Region 9- St. Helena, Tangipahoa, Washington, Livingston, St. Tammany Parishes

- There has only had one Zika exercise that was held in Jefferson and included some state and parish partners. Tribes did not participate in this exercise.
- ►OPH Region 9 has met with the tribe in years past. However, we have not been successful in establishing points of contact to continue discussion. Will continue to reach out.



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Statewide Office of Public Health Contact Information

Bureau of Community Preparedness

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Coordinates with Regional Offices on outreach and education activities. Call us if you need additional help or information.



Statewide Office of Minority Health Contact Information

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QUESTIONS?



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Thank You!

