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Weekly Situational Awareness Brief

Awareness Topics

WHO's Warning: Preparing for Disease X

"In 2018, the World Health Organization (WHO) added a striking element to its list of priority diseases: "Disease X." Unlike all other items on that list, Disease X does not refer to a specific pathogen or a known illness. Rather, it is a provisional concept: a deliberate acknowledgment that the next major pandemic could be caused by something science has not yet identified."

New dads are dying in the years after birth. Are you missing a preventable risk window?

"Maternal mortality has become a central public health metric. Paternal mortality, by contrast, has barely existed as a surveillance category."

Earthquake Country Alliance

"Earthquake Country Alliance (ECA) is a public-private-grassroots partnership of people and organizations that work together to improve earthquake and tsunami preparedness, mitigation and resiliency."

Rare Lyme disease-causing strain spreads to new state: What to know

“A rare pathogen known to cause Lyme disease has been detected in a new state, far from where it has traditionally been found.”

New KIDS COUNT Report Introduces State Scores—and Reveals Wide Gaps in Children's Well-Being

“The Annie E. Casey Foundation’s annual KIDS COUNT® Data Book has ranked states on child well-being for 37 years. This year, for the first time, it gives them a score—revealing dramatic gaps in progress since before the pandemic.”

Upcoming MESH Educational Offerings

2026 MESH Grand Rounds Series Q3 **Surge: Managing Multi-Patient Incidents** **with Chief Christopher Chiara**

This presentation will:

- Identify the challenges of multi-patient incidents and introduce best practices to address those challenges.
- Highlight the importance of a common operating perspective in incidents that require inter-agency coordination.
- Demonstrate training initiatives that lead to success in low-frequency, high-acuity.

August 18, 2026 | 1-2 PM EST | Live, via Zoom | No Charge

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Upcoming MESH Conference Presentations

IHEPS 2026

Dr. James M. Floyd, Jr. | Keynote Session | Setting Down What Isn't Yours: An Overview of Vicarious Trauma

September 3, 2026 | Renaissance Indianapolis North Hotel

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NHCPC 2026

Dr. James M. Floyd, Jr. | Psychological PPE

December 1-3, 2026 | Gaylord National Resort & Convention Center

Registration is now open for NHCPC26!
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