

## CORHA Fall Meeting Updates

This document provides a high-level summary of updates from CORHA’s workgroups, Communications Task Force, and other relevant CORHA updates.

### Workgroup Updates

|                   | Detection and Response                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | Lab                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | Policy                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
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| Co-Chairs         | Linda Greene and Waleed Javaid                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | Kimberly McCullor and Nicholas Moore                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | Dawn Terashita and Moon Kim                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| Updates           | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Following the CORHA Spring 2023 meeting, the Detection &amp; Response Workgroup finalized and posted several new and revised resource pages, including: Viral Hepatitis, Group A <i>Streptococcus</i>, and <i>Candida auris</i>.</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Following the CORHA Spring 2023 meeting, the Lab Workgroup finalized and posted Chapter 6 of the P&amp;P.</li> <li>The Lab Workgroup has shifted its focus to the development of brief (i.e., one-pager) products to compliment Chapter 6.</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Presentations on the <a href="#">HAI Patient Notification Framework</a>, including the development and dissemination of an accompanying one-pager.</li> <li>Final reviews of the “<i>Model practices on public data sharing and reporting of HAI/AR outbreaks for health departments</i>” document.</li> <li>Ongoing discussions on access to electronic health records before and during an outbreak and federal reporting requirements of outbreaks.</li> <li>Development of new workgroup charge priorities.</li> </ul> |
| Summary of Charge | <p>Improve reporting of outbreaks &amp; exposure events to public health.</p> <p>Improve the use of existing surveillance systems to detect outbreaks.</p>                                                                                                                         | <p>Contribute knowledge &amp; support activities to optimize lab practices for identifying &amp; investigating possible HAI/AR outbreaks.</p> <p>Support effective interactions among lab partners and between labs, healthcare</p>                                                          | <p>Provide guidelines on public data sharing &amp; reporting of HAI/AR outbreaks</p> <p>Improve policy &amp; legal standards for reporting, investigation, notification &amp; disclosure of HAI/AR outbreaks &amp; exposure events</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |

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|  | Define appropriate levels of response.<br><br>Improve response to investigation & control of outbreaks.<br><br>Improve data management for outbreak investigation and tracking. | facilities, & state/local health departments in the context of HAI/AR response activities. | Explore options to enhance legal authority |
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#### Other Product Updates

- P&P Supplement A (medical products outbreaks) draft has been finalized and is undergoing review in anticipation of voting as part of, or just following the Fall 2023 meeting. An initial draft of Chapter 7 (multi-facility/jurisdictional outbreaks) is with CSTE's consultant, who will engage a small working group to finalize the chapter over the coming weeks.

#### Communications Updates

- New Published Spotlight Blogs
  - [Leadership Spotlight: Dr. Natasha Bagdasarian](#)
  - [Jennifer Jones, 2023 McKnight Prize for Healthcare Outbreak Heroes Recipient](#)
- Website Updates
  - NACCHO is working with Astriata to increase the CORHA website's usability which involves implementing a website redesign and migrating the website's infrastructure. The anticipated new website launch is early 2024. Thank you to those who have already volunteered to help us in the redesign process through interviews and usability testing. There may be additional opportunities in the future for your participation, if interested please email [info@corha.org](mailto:info@corha.org).
- Recent Publications
  - [P&P Chapters 6 and 8](#) are posted
  - New resource page: [Group A Streptococcus](#)
  - Updated resource page: [Viral Hepatitis](#)
  - If you come across relevant articles related to HAI/AR outbreaks, please share to [info@corha.org](mailto:info@corha.org)!

#### CORHA Membership Updates

- Erica Washington has changed roles within the Louisiana Office of Public Health and will no longer serve as the HAI/AR program manager for Louisiana. We thank Erica for her years of service and contributions to CORHA!