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Prior to joining the Influenza Division, Dr. Ferdinands was a Commander in the US Public Health Service at the US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, where she focused on the investigation of asthma and other respiratory health conditions. She holds a doctoral degree in health policy from Harvard University.