

A Strategic Response to Hepatitis A Outbreak: From the Big Picture to the Nitty Gritty

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Objectives:

- To provide an overview of hepatitis A and the increase in cases we've seen across the nation in the last 3 years.
- To identify strategies that improve hepatitis A vaccination uptake in an outbreak response.
- To learn about the New Mexico Department of Health's response to an ongoing Hepatitis A outbreak affecting people experiencing homelessness and those who use both injection and non-injection drugs
- To learn how local, state and federal partners can work together to respond to infectious disease outbreaks

Presented by:



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Dr. Foster serves as the epidemiology lead for hepatitis A in the Division of Viral Hepatitis at CDC. She is a graduate of East Carolina University and Eastern Virginia Medical School and received her MPH from Vanderbilt University. Dr. Foster completed her pediatric residency at the University of Tennessee Health Science Center and a pediatric infectious disease fellowship at Vanderbilt University before joining the CDC as an Epidemic Intelligence Service Officer with the Division of Viral Hepatitis in 2014.

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Ms. Sievers, MPH is a graduate of the University of Michigan School of Public Health. She has over 25 years of experience in health services and community health, she joined the New Mexico Department of Health as the healthcare associated infections (HAI) program manager in 2016. As an infectious disease epidemiologist in the Epidemiology and Response Division she tracks and responds to communicable disease reports which includes rapid response to infectious disease cases, outbreak management and consultation with professionals and the public through the epidemiology day-call service. As the HAI program manager, she participates in and coordinates the activities of a team of epidemiologists dedicated to research, detection, response and prevention of healthcare-associated infections under the CDC Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity (ELC) and Emerging Infections Programs (EIP). Ms. Sievers is the facilitator of the Antimicrobial Stewardship TeleECHO project, a partnership between the University of New Mexico and the New Mexico Department of Health.

Dominic Rodriguez, MSN, RN, Director of Nursing Services for the NW Region.



Dominic Rodriguez has worked for the New Mexico Department of Health in the Public Health Division since 2015. Early in his nursing career he worked as an RN in the Pediatric ER at The University of New Mexico Hospital, a nurse educator, and as a school nurse. Through those experiences, Dominic realized that he wanted to spend his time “upstream”, improving the health of New Mexicans. Prevention, preparedness, and education have a huge role in improving health outcomes for New Mexicans. Areas of special interest to Dominic include early childhood interventions and how social determinants of health impact a person’s ability to achieve health goals. He is husband to a wonderful wife and father to three amazing kids ages 7, 6, and 3. In his free time he enjoys playing golf, soccer, baseball and fishing with his family.