

## **Massachusetts Department of Public Health**

# MDPH Tuesday Infectious Disease Webinar Series

# Tools for Local Boards of Health September 9, 2025

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- Quick Update on Vaccines this Fall
  - More details to come in October's Respiratory Illness Season Webinar
- Featured Presentation: BIG changes to foodborne illness complaint reporting!
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Making sure your family is up-to-date on vaccines before going back to school – very demure, very mindful, very considerate.

#### **Infectious Disease Tools for LBOH Webinar Schedule!**

#### **2025 Upcoming Schedule!**

All Registrations:	http://tinyurl.com/MAVEN-Webinars
2 <sup>nd</sup> Tues 9/9/25	Foodborne Illness (FBI) Complaints
4 <sup>th</sup> Tues 9/23/25	4 <sup>th</sup> Tuesday Office Hours
2 <sup>nd</sup> Tues 10/14/25	25-26 Respiratory Illness Season
4 <sup>th</sup> Tues 10/28/25	4 <sup>th</sup> Tuesday Office Hours
	November Webinar Break
	Happy Thanksgiving!
2 <sup>nd</sup> Tues 12/9/25	MAVEN Refresher
4 <sup>th</sup> Tues	No December Office Hours
2026	More Webinars to Come!

#### **WEBINAR REGISTRATION PAGE:**

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- You help us identify topics, needs, & content!
- Be sure to send ideas, requests, and questions to Hillary and Scott!



You can always contact mavenhelp@mass.gov or The MDPH Epi Program at 617-983-6800 with specific questions.

MAVEN Help has Guidance Documents and Previous Webinars:

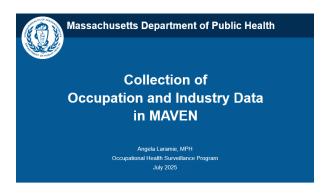
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Next Office Hours Tuesday, Sept. 23, 2025 @11:00!

# Updates - A quick recap for Sept. 9, 2025

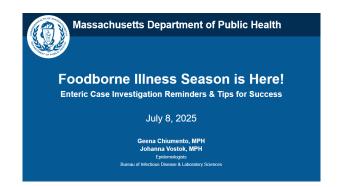
### July 8, 2025:

- Morbidity Updates: Measles & Mpox
- CDC Materials Warehouse Closing
- MAVEN Help Updates
- Topics Today:
  - Featured Presentation: Collection of Occupation and Industry Data in MAVEN
    - Angela K. Laramie, MPH, ARM, Occupational Health Surveillance Program
  - Featured Presentation: Foodborne Illness Season is Here! Enteric Case Investigation Reminders & Tips for Success
    - Geena Chiumento, MPH, Epidemiologist, Foodborne & Waterborne Illness Coordinator
    - Johanna Vostok, MPH, Epidemiologist, Foodborne & Waterborne Illness Coordinator





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- Governor Healey Announces Immediate Steps to Ensure Vaccine Availability in Massachusetts Amid Trump, RFK Rollbacks (9/4/25 Press Release)
  - 1. The Division of Insurance (DOI) and Department of Public Health (DPH) issued a <u>bulletin</u> that requires insurance carriers in Massachusetts to continue to cover vaccines recommended by DPH and not rely solely on CDC recommendations.
  - 2. Vaccines can be received at pharmacies in MA.
    - DPH Commissioner issued a <u>Standing Order</u> so pharmacies can provide COVID-19 vaccines for ages 5 & up. (Under 5 via pediatrician)
    - Additional update to overall vaccine administration policy (now DPH Commissioner can determine which routine vaccines can be administered at pharmacies instead of just what ACIP recommends).
  - 3. MA joining a multi-state public health collaborative to develop evidence-based recommendations.

## Who can get a COVID-19 Vaccine?

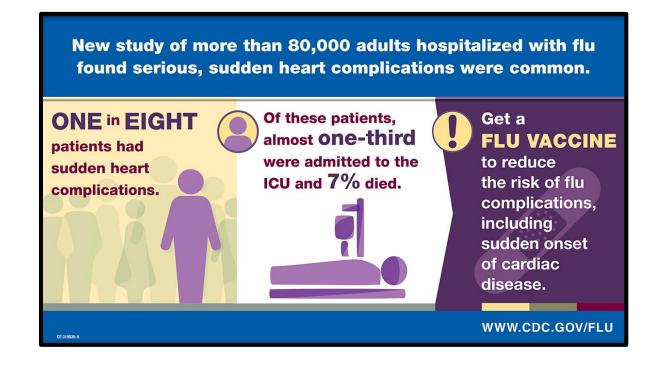
- Because ACIP delayed voting on updated 2025-26 respiratory season recommendations for COVID-19 vaccines, 2024-25 recommendations still apply in MA (anyone 6mo and older is eligible).
- MA will finalize 2025-26 recommendations following the ACIP meeting later this month. MDPH will make the final recommendation based upon the scientific evidence.

- COVID-19 vaccines are available in pharmacies right now.
  - There is an online attestation/screening form when scheduling that will ask about possible qualifying conditions.
- COVID-19 vaccine is available for LBOH ordering through your normal channels for adult/private purchase.
  - State supply (pediatric supply) will be delayed until after ACIP meeting this month.

#### Influenza Vaccine: NORMAL SEASON!

- Don't let the chaos of COVID-19 vaccination policy make you confused about other routine vaccination recommendations.
- Flu vaccine is here, recommendations are routine, make sure you stay up to date!
- Be sure to join us for the Respiratory Season Tools for Local Health Webinar on October 14<sup>th</sup>!





# **QUESTIONS?**

