

# Oregon Health Authority's Roles in Pandemics and Emergencies

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#### **Emergency Support Function #8: Health and Medical**

Needs assessment

Health/medical/v eterinary equipment and supplies

Medical personnel

Agriculture safety and security

Mass fatality management

Health surveillance

Blood and blood products

**Patient care** 

Food safety and security

**Vector control** 

Consultation, technical assistance, and support Safety and security of drugs, biologics, and medical devices

Patient evacuation

Veterinary medical support

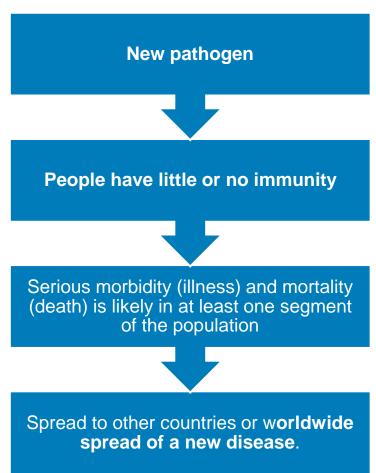
Potable water/wastewater and solid waste disposal

Public health and medical information

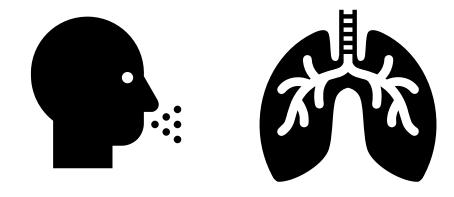
Behavioral health care

## What are we preparing for?

#### **Pandemics**

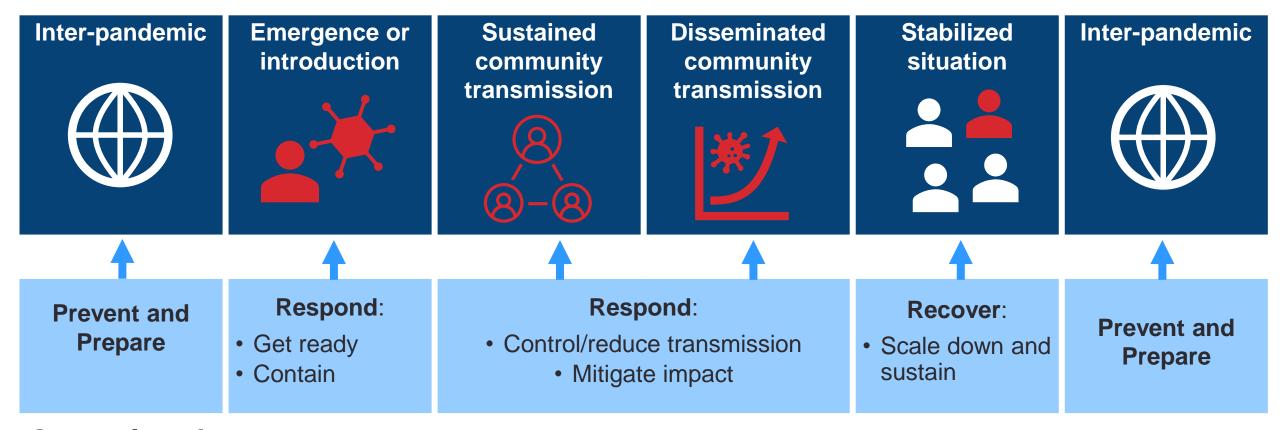


#### Respiratory viruses highest concern



## **Pandemic Periods and Operations**

#### **Period**



**Operational stages** 

Source: World Health Organization (WHO)

## **Components for Health Emergency Preparedness**



Source: WHO

## **Engaging interdependent sectors**



Critical manufacturing



Defense & security



Education



Energy



Environment



Finance



Food & agriculture



Health



Housing and public works



Information, communication & technology



Law and order



Social welfare



Transportation, logistics, travel & tourism

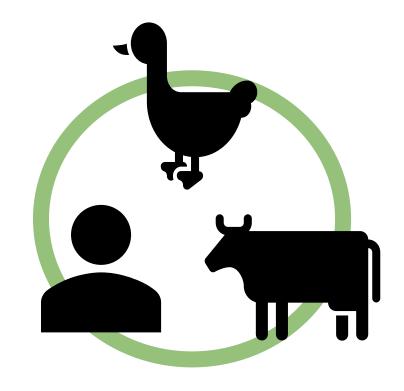


Water

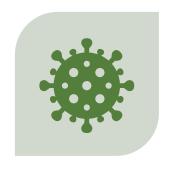
#### "One Health" for Animal-Human Disease Risks

60% of emerging infectious diseases that are reported globally come from animals, both wild and domestic.

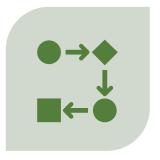
Over 30 new human pathogens have been detected in the last 3 decades, 75% of which have originated in animals.



## Gathering health data for action



HOW DOES IT SPREAD?



HOW QUICKLY DOES IT EVOLVE?



WHAT
DISEASE
DOES IT
CAUSE?



WHO IS AT RISK OF SEVERE DISEASE?



WHAT IS THE
BURDEN ON
HEALTH
CARE
FACILITIES?



WHAT
TREATMENT
AND
PREVENTION
IS WORKING?

## Identify groups at greatest risk and their needs

People with a weak immune system

People with underlying medical conditions

People living/working in crowded, confined places

People at higher risk of becoming infected due to greater exposure to sick people

Groups essential to economies and social cohesiveness during crisis

**Groups needing** support during crisis

#### **Building community resilience now**

#### **Engaging communities year-round**











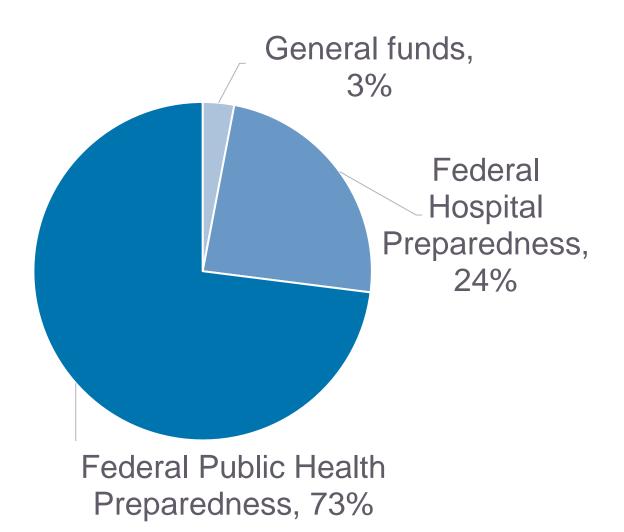




#### Message about:

- Disease trends
- How diseases are spreading
- Protecting yourself and community
- Signs and symptoms
- When to seek health care
- Access to support and advice, including behavioral health services

## **Financing Preparedness**



#### **General Funds:**

• 3.0 FTE

# Public Health Emergency Preparedness (PHEP) Cooperative Agreement

- 24.75 FTE in counties and Tribes
- 19.37 FTE in OHA at lab, epidemiology, immunization, all hazards program
- \$8,471,350 for the year to 6/30/25

# Hospital Preparedness Program (HPP) Cooperative Agreement

- 7.25 FTE for regional coalitions and OHA
- \$2,753,150 for the year to 6/30/25

## Thank you

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