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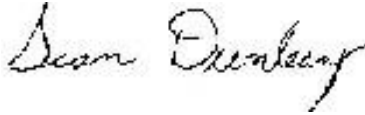
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TO: All Local Health Departments (LHD's)
Attn: Medical Director / Health Officer / Director of Environmental Health / Nursing
Administrators

FROM: Sean Dunleavy, Local Health Services and Emergency Response Unit Manager
Food and Dairy Division

DATE: August 9, 2021

SUBJECT: Outbreak-Ready training available to LHDs



The Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development (MDARD), Food and Dairy Division, and the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), Division of Communicable Diseases are planning to provide team-based training entitled "Outbreak-Ready" for public health professionals with responsibility for investigation of foodborne illness outbreaks. This training will be presented in an interactive virtual-format and will include breakout sessions for agency teams to work together on various exercises to build their investigative skills.

There is no charge for attending this course.

Desired Participants: Public health, health care, and food regulatory professionals with 1-4 years of on-the-job experience involved in outbreak investigations including: environmental health specialists/sanitarians, epidemiologists, infectious disease control, public health nurses, laboratorians, emergency preparedness coordinators, and others.

The link below is a survey asking when and how to best schedule the training to meet the needs of local health departments and other participants.

<https://forms.office.com/g/GJqN5NdCQZ>

Please complete this survey no later than August 30, 2021.

NOTE: Please complete only one survey per local health department or county agency.

Further information regarding dates and registration will be available in the future. For more information, contact Lisa Hainstock at hainstockl@michigan.gov or 517-749-4356.

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