Strength in Unity

NACCHO Learning Collaborative

Week Seven

June 2, 2022



Agenda

Community Updates

- Haitian Development Center of Delmarva
- Rebirth, Inc.

COVID-19 Clinical Update

• Dr. Ed Zuroweste

Capacity Review

- Implementing a Program
- "What to consider when planning a community event?"

Evaluation Survey

• Strive for 100%

Zoom Poll

• Learning Collaboratives



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COVID-19 Clinical Update

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Know Your COVID-19 Community Level

In Wicomico County, Maryland, community level is **Medium.**

- Stay up to date with COVID-19 vaccines.
- Get tested if you have symptoms.
- Consider masking and other precautions.
- Report at home positive tests.

Updated: May 26, 2022

*Data provided by CDC with updates every Thursday by 8pm ET

WHAT'S A COVID-19 COMMUNITY LEVEL?

- It's a new tool to help communities decide what prevention measures to take based on the latest data
- Every community in the United States is classified as:

Low

Limited impact on healthcare system, low levels of severe illness

Medium

Some impact on healthcare system, more people with severe illness

High

High potential for healthcare system strain; high level of severe illness



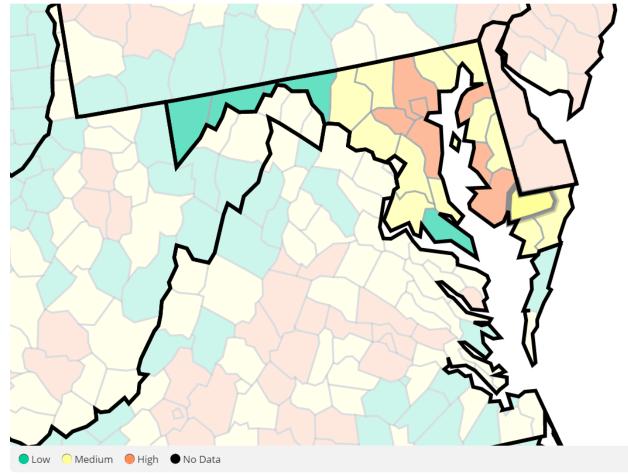
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Omicron

- Variant BA.4 and BA.5 are gaining traction and outpacing previous variants.
- BA.4 and BA.5 variants are better at escaping antibodies and reinfecting those previously infected with Omicron.
- Recent lab studies suggest this may also impact boosted individuals.

COVID-19 Community Levels in Wicomico County, Maryland

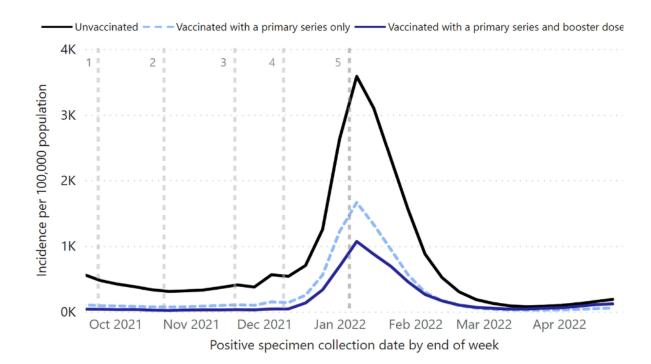


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Unvaccinated vs Boosted

Rates of COVID-19 Cases by Vaccination Status and Booster Dose**

September 19, 2021-April 23, 2022 (29 U.S. jurisdictions)



- Strange patterns starting to emerge between boosted and unvaccinated groups.
- With a coming surge, we may in fact see more boosted individuals infected than unvaccinated.
- This <u>does not</u> mean boosters increase risk of infection.

Other Factors at Play

- Home testing is often underreported.
- Boosted individuals may be more likely to get a PCR test, thus case rate is reported.
- Unvaccinated individuals likely were infected during Omicron wave ("natural protection").
- Boosted individuals may be more comfortable with letting their guard down now compared to previous infection surges.



Protection

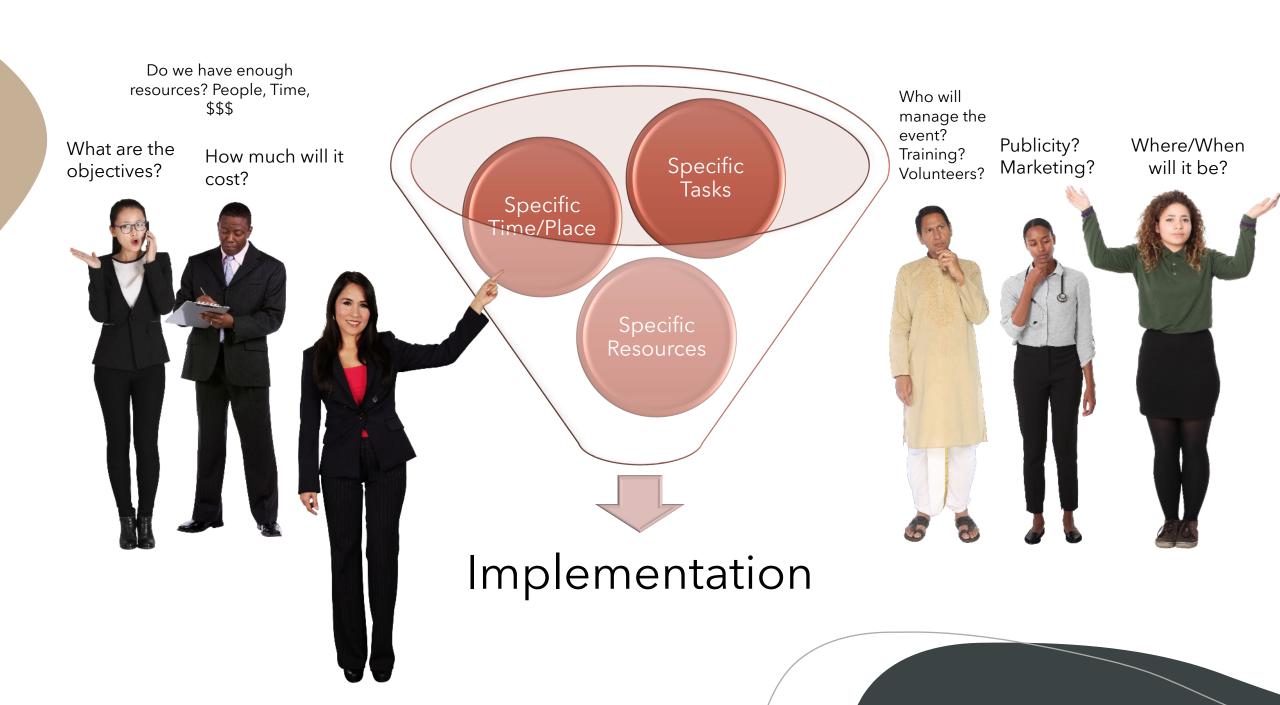
- Vaccines continue to protect against severe disease and death.
- Unvaccinated individuals had 17 times higher risk of dying in March and April 2022 compared to vaccinated individuals.
- Protect those around you and wear a mask, especially in high transmission settings.
- If you do get sick, even with minor symptoms, test.
- Booster, Booster, Booster!





Capacity Review

"What to consider when planning a community event?"



5 phases of implementation





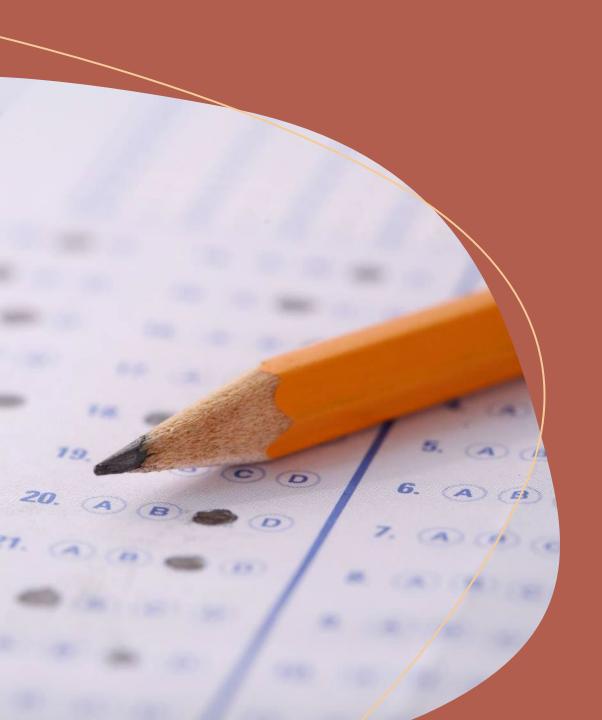
Gain acceptance of the program and prepare partners

Specify tasks and estimate resources needed for each member

Develop specific plans for program activities

Establish mechanism for program management

After everyone is fully informed and trained, it is time to put everything into action.



Evaluation

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Zoom Poll

Would you like to continue the learning collaborative sessions?

- A. Yes, biweekly
- B. Yes, but only once a month
- C. No