



U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention



PROJECT FIRSTLINE

CDC's National Training Collaborative for Healthcare Infection Control

The COVID-19 pandemic highlighted **gaps in infection control knowledge and practice** in healthcare settings nationwide.

Launched in FY2020, CDC's Project Firstline is a **collaborative** of diverse healthcare, public health and academic partners committed to providing **infection control training designed especially for healthcare workers**.

Healthcare workers need and deserve **clear** and **trustworthy** information not only on CDC's infection control recommendations, but also on the **rationale** and **science** behind them.

Project Firstline delivers **comprehensive, transparent, and responsive** training and education to the **millions** of frontline healthcare workers in the United States.

Project Firstline is funded through American Rescue Plan investments for FY22-FY26.

The need for infection control training, education and innovation is ongoing.

EMPOWERMENT



Core Training

Delivers critical infection control information to address immediate training needs via products, methods, and platforms the healthcare workforce uses and prefers.



Practical Tools

Provides tools to help everyone working in a healthcare facility implement infection control protocols and procedures throughout their work day.

COLLABORATION



Partner Engagement

Leverages trusted partners and channels across healthcare settings to ensure training content and tools meet the needs of and are delivered to the healthcare workers who need them.



Mentorship

Connects infection control experts with their local healthcare community so that they may become an ongoing resource.

LASTING RESULTS



Public Health Capacity

Provides tools and resources to the public health workforce to foster stronger relationships between the public health and the healthcare community to support more effective training on infection control.



Science to Practice

Cutting-edge research to inform infection control recommendations and practices, and development of more effective and evidence-based platforms and approaches to infection control training and education that meet the needs of diverse learners across the healthcare community.

THE POWER TO STOP INFECTIONS. TOGETHER.

Our nation's healthcare workers deserve infection control training and education that is designed just for them. CDC is teaming with a coalition of academic and public health and healthcare partners and 64 state, local, and territorial health departments through the Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity cooperative agreement to develop interactive and empowering infection control training that will improve our nation's health. CDC is proud to collaborate with the following partners as part of Project Firstline:

- American Academy of Pediatrics
- American Health Care Association
- American Medical Association
- American Nurses Association
- Asian and Pacific Islander American Health Forum
- Emory University
- Health Research & Educational Trust
- Institute for Healthcare Improvement
- Johns Hopkins Applied Physics Lab
- National Association of County and City Health Officials
- National Council of Urban Indian Health
- National Hispanic Medical Association
- National Indian Health Board
- National Network of Public Health Institutes
- New York City Health + Hospitals: Bellevue Hospital Center
- RTI International
- University of Nebraska Medical Center
- University of Washington

ELC-Supported State, Local and Territorial Health Departments include:

Alabama	Indiana	Nebraska	South Carolina	Houston
Alaska	Iowa	Nevada	South Dakota	Los Angeles County
Arizona	Kansas	New Hampshire	Tennessee	New York City
Arkansas	Kentucky	New Jersey	Texas	Philadelphia
California	Louisiana	New Mexico	Utah	Puerto Rico
Colorado	Maine	New York	Vermont	US Virgin Islands
Connecticut	Maryland	North Carolina	Virginia	American Samoa
Delaware	Massachusetts	North Dakota	Washington	Federated States of Micronesia
Florida	Michigan	Ohio	West Virginia	Mariana Islands
Georgia	Minnesota	Oklahoma	Wisconsin	Marshall Islands
Hawaii	Mississippi	Oregon	Wyoming	Palau
Idaho	Missouri	Pennsylvania	District of Columbia	
Illinois	Montana	Rhode Island	Chicago	