

**CDC's Emerging Infections Program
CDC/USA/FDA Foodborne Diseases Active Surveillance Network
Steering Committee Conference Call November 4, 2004**

Roll:

CA, CO, CT, GA, MD, MN, NM, NY, OR, TX, TN, USDS-FSIS, FDA-CFSAN, EHS-Net, CDC-EIP, CDC-Epi, CDC-Parasitic, CDC-Lab

A. Administrative

1. Personnel
 - a. Welcome Cherie Long (CDC)
 - i. Cherie is a MPH graduate from Rollins School of Public Health at Emory University. She will be working as a Surveillance Epidemiologist.
2. EIP Renewal Update
 - a. EIP applications are being reviewed.
3. Status of Manuscripts
 - a. Active/Published
 - i. Carl Schroder's manuscript "Estimated illnesses from *Salmonella* Enteritidis in Shell eggs, United States, 2000" was accepted at EID.
 - ii. Penina Haber's manuscript "Guillain-Barré Syndrome (GBS) after influenza vaccine: Vaccine Adverse Event Reporting System (VAERS) 1990-2003" was accepted at JAMA and will be published November 15.
 - iii. Tim Jones' manuscript "Use of Stool Collection Kits Delivered to Patients Can Improve Confirmation of Etiology in Foodborne Disease Outbreaks" was published in CID.
 - iv. James Flint's manuscript is in CDC clearance
 - b. Publication Guidelines
 - i. Minor revisions made to the "Protocol Development and Publication Policy" to make in line with uniform requirements of BioMedical Manuscripts. A copy of the changes was attached to Steering Committee Packet.
 - ii. Email any questions or concerns to Drew Voetsch.
 - iii. Vote on changes at next Steering Committee call.
4. 2005 Vision Meeting (Nashville, TN)
 - a. Rooms have been reserved at Holiday Inn Select/Vanderbilt in Nashville from March 9-11, 2005 under "CDC Vision Meeting." For reservations call 615-327-4707 or 1-800-465-4329. Reservation deadline is February 15, 2005.
 - c. Will determine if hotel has video link capability.

B. Surveillance

1. Active/HUS/Outbreak data
 - a. Active
 - i. *Listeria*, *Salmonella* Typhimurium, *Salmonella* Newport, *Salmonella* Heidelberg, *Shigella sonnei*, *E. coli* O157 have all decreased by approximately 20% or more since 2003.
 - ii. Increases have been seen in *Salmonella* Javiana, *Salmonella* all others, STEC Non-O157, *Cyclospora*, *Cyrtosporidium*, *Yersina*, and *Vibrio* all others from 2003 to 2004.
 - b. HUS
 - i. Greatest number of HUS cases seen in 1-4 year old age group.
 - ii. *E. coli* O157 has decreased since 2003; 2004 data on par with 2003
 - iii. One STEC Non-O157 isolated in 2004

C. Update on case-control studies

1. *Listeria*
 - a. 2/3 of isolates have had PFGE done
2. *Salmonella* Newport
 - a. In process of writing manuscript
3. *Salmonella* Enteritidis

- a. Lab component/ PFGE component
 - i. 170 PFGE; 50 PFGE do not reside in PulseNet
 - ii. 6 isolates look like *S. Berta* – doing re-serotyping on these isolates.
- b. Drew Voetsch to send ID numbers on phage types
- 4. Infant *Salmonella/Campylobacter*
 - a. Data cleaning and recoding finished.
- 5. *E. coli* O157/HUS
 - a. Protocol and questionnaire in clearance
 - b. Launch study in beginning of 2005

D. Update on Working Groups and Projects

- 1. *Salmonella* Javiana
 - a. A total of 66 cases have been interviewed for exposure data
 - b. Plan to meet as a group to determine what the next steps will be in this investigation
- 2. *Listeria* Trends
 - a. Conference call Friday, Nov. 19th 3pm EST
 - b. This is a continuation on a 1995 EIP paper on *Listeria* Trends
 - c. Contact Drew Voetsch if you would like to participate in the call
- 3. 2005 Population Survey
 - a. 5th cycle of population survey – should take ≈1 year for clearance and IRB approval
 - b. Establish working group over next couple of weeks
 - i. Develop study design and questionnaire
 - c. Want 150 cases per site per month
 - d. Contact Elaine Scallan if interested. First working group call will be end of November or beginning of December.
- 4. International Collaboration on Foodborne Diseases
 - a. Went over Draft Minutes from Quarterly Conference Call on Thursday, Oct. 28, 2004.
 - i. Need a name for network
 - ii. *Campylobacter* Laboratory Survey
 - iii. Network website
 - 1. List of Burden Studies
 - 2. Searchable database for information on specific topics
 - 3. Create a tool kit for methodologies, country documents etc.
 - iv. Suggestion that next meeting be located in Europe and North America the next. Every second year the conference call would be linked to ICEID.

E. Proposals

- 1. Prospective exposures in matched case-control studies of foodborne illness (Mike Hoekstra)
 - a. Review first case-control studies to better understand protective effects.
 - b. Will take recommendations on what to do about study design and analytical design.
 - c. No objects – proposal approved.

F. Miscellaneous

- 1. Isolates from *Salmonella* outbreaks

G. Upcoming FoodNet conference calls, meetings, and deadlines

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| 1. Friday | Nov. 5 th | 1:00-2:00 pm EST | Antimicrobial Resistant Working Group Call |
| 2. Wednesday | Nov. 10 th | 1:00-2:00 pm EST | <i>Campylobacter</i> –Lab Survey Subcommittee |
| 3. Monday | Nov. 15 th | 12:00-1:00 pm EST | Reactive Arthritis Call |
| 4. Monday | Nov. 15 th | 1:00-2:00 pm EST | <i>Shigella</i> Working Group Call |
| 5. Thursday | Nov. 18 th | 12:00-1:00 pm EST | HUS/STEC Working Group Call |
| 6. Thursday | Nov. 18 th | 1:00-2:00 pm EST | Antimicrobial Resistant Working Group Call |
| 7. Thursday | Nov. 18 th | 2:00-3:00 pm EST | FoodNet Coordinators call |
| 8. Tuesday | Nov. 23 rd | 2:00-3:00 pm EST | Interventions Working Group Call |
| 9. Wednesday | Dec. 1 st | 1:00-2:00 pm EST | <i>Campylobacter</i> –Grocery Store Subcommittee |
| 10. Thursday | Dec. 2 nd | 11:00-12:00 pm EST | Attribution Working Group Call |

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| 11. Thursday | Dec. 2 nd | 3:00-4:00 pm EST | Infant Illness Working Group Call |
| 12. Tuesday | Dec. 7 th | 2:00-4:00 pm EST | December Update Meeting |
| 13. Wednesday | Dec. 8 th | 4:00-5:00 pm EST | Burden Working Group Call |
| 14. Wednesday | Dec. 8 th | 1:00-2:00 pm EST | <i>Campylobacter</i> -Lab Survey Subcommittee |
| 15. Thursday | Dec. 9 th | 2:00-3:00 pm EST | December Steering Committee Call |

H. Data Submission Deadlines

1. Surveillance Data Transmission Friday, November 19th
2. HUS data Transmission Wednesday, December 1st