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The following updates were made to CDC information and guidance from **January 12-19, 2009**. If you have any questions on these or other clinical issues, please write to us at coca@cdc.gov.

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Food Safety

Investigation Update: Outbreak of Salmonella Typhimurium Infections, 2008–2009 - CDC - Jan. 19

CDC is collaborating with public health officials in many states and the United States Food and Drug Administration (FDA) to investigate a multistate outbreak of human infections due to Salmonella serotype Typhimurium.

<http://www.cdc.gov/salmonella/typhimurium/>

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Salmonella Typhimurium Outbreak - FDA - Jan. 19

The FDA is conducting a very active and dynamic investigation into the source of the *Salmonella* Typhimurium outbreak. At this time, the FDA has traced a source of contamination to a plant owned by Peanut Corporation of America (PCA), which manufactures both peanut butter that is institutionally served in such settings as long-term care facilities and cafeterias, and peanut paste—a concentrated product consisting of ground, roasted peanuts—that is distributed to food manufacturers to be used as an ingredient in many commercially produced products including cakes, cookies, crackers, candies, cereal and ice cream.

<http://www.fda.gov/oc/opacom/hottopics/salmonellatyp.html>

- [List of Company Recalls](#)

Diagnosis and Management of Foodborne Illnesses - CDC MMWR

This primer on diagnosis and treatment of foodborne illness is directed to physicians and other health care professionals as a reminder about disease management as well as their important role in recognizing suspicious symptoms, disease clusters, and etiologic agents, and reporting cases of foodborne illness to public health authorities.

<http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/preview/mmwrhtml/rr5304a1.htm>

PDF - <http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/PDF/rr/rr5304.pdf>

Emergency Preparedness

CDC Interim Guidance for Revaccination of Eligible Persons who Participated in the US Civilian Smallpox Preparedness and Response Program - CDC - Jan. 14

The purpose of this document is to propose a recommendation for an appropriate time-interval for revaccination of public health and health care volunteers who were vaccinated as responders in the US Civilian Smallpox Preparedness and Response Program. This document addresses only the

revaccination of public health and healthcare volunteers and does not address routine revaccination guidance for laboratory workers or primary vaccination of emergency responders.

<http://emergency.cdc.gov/agent/smallpox/revaxmemo.asp>

Public Health Advisory

Potential Hazards of Skin Products Containing Numbing Ingredients for Relieving Pain from Mammography and Other Medical Tests and Conditions - FDA - Jan. 16

FDA issued a public health advisory to remind patients, healthcare professionals, and caregivers about potentially serious hazards of using skin numbing products, also known as topical anesthetics, for relieving pain from mammography and other medical tests and conditions.

http://www.fda.gov/cder/drug/advisory/topical_anesthetics2009.htm

Seasonal Influenza

HHS Awards \$487 Million Contract to Build First U.S. Manufacturing Facility for Cell-Based Influenza Vaccine - HHS - Jan. 15

The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services announced a \$487 million multiple year contract with Novartis Vaccines and Diagnostics, Inc., to build the first U.S. facility to manufacture cell-based vaccine for seasonal and pandemic flu. Because cell-based influenza vaccine can be made faster and in greater quantities than traditional vaccine, the new facility is expected to increase the U.S. capacity to make pandemic influenza vaccine by at least 25 percent.

<http://www.hhs.gov/news/press/2009pres/01/20090115b.html>

Seasonal Influenza Weekly Report: Influenza Summary Update - CDC -Jan. 16

Week 1 (January 4-10, 2009), overall influenza activity in the United States remained relatively low, but increased compared to previous weeks.

<http://www.cdc.gov/flu/weekly/>

Weekly US Map - CDC- Jan 16

<http://www.cdc.gov/flu/weekly/usmap.htm>

2008-2009 Flu Vaccines: Lot Release Status - FDA - Jan. 16

Flu vaccine lots that have been released by FDA and are available for distribution by the manufacturers. For information on flu vaccine distribution schedules, please contact the manufacturers directly.

<http://www.fda.gov/cber/flu/flu2008.htm>

Pandemic Influenza

Assessment of States' Operating Plans to Combat Pandemic Influenza - HHS - Jan. 15

This report summarizes the status of States' operating plans with respect to preparedness for, response to, and recovery from an influenza pandemic.

http://www.pandemicflu.gov/plan/states/state_assessment.html

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