

# July 21, 2020

# **Virtual Public Event**

# **COVID Complexities: Converging Threats, Fractured Resources**

## OBJECTIVE

Provide the Bipartisan Commission on Biodefense with a better understanding of the potential for COVID-19's reemergence, the country's efforts to track the spread of the disease, and national readiness to address future biological threats.

## SCHEDULE

## **Opening Remarks**

## Panel One: Emergency Management and Hospital Preparedness

State and local representatives will discuss emergency management challenges, hospital preparedness, and emergency medical needs in addressing COVID-19 and future biological threats.

## Jared Moskowitz, JD

Director, Florida Division of Emergency Management

## Dan Hanfling, MD

Vice President of Technical Staff, In-Q-Tel; Attending Physician, Emergency Care, Inova Fairfax Hospital; and Medical Team Manager, Virginia Task Force 1, Federal Emergency Management Agency Urban Search and Rescue

## **David Mitchell**

President, International Association of Emergency Medical Services Chiefs; and EMS Chief, Arvada, Colorado Fire Protection District

## Panel Two: COVID-19 Resurgence and Compoundment

Academic representatives will discuss the likelihood of COVID-19's reemergence, characteristics of pathogens with pandemic potential, and conceivable compoundment of the biological threat.

## Marc Lipsitch, PhD

Director, Center for Communicable Disease Dynamics, and Professor of Epidemiology, Department of Immunology and Infectious Diseases, School of Public Health, Harvard University

#### **Tracy Goldstein, PhD**

Associate Director, One Health Institute and Co-Principal Investigator, PREDICT Project, University of California, Davis

#### **Cornelius J. Clancy MD**

Chief, Infectious Diseases Section, VA Pittsburgh Health System; and Associate Professor of Medicine, Department of Medicine, University of Pittsburgh

#### Panel Three: Disease Tracking

Media, territorial, and tribal epidemiology center representatives will discuss efforts to track the movement of COVID-19 throughout the Nation, resources needed to identify and track reemergence of the disease, and recommendations to strengthen national biosurveillance.

#### **Alexis Madrigal** Co-Founder, The COVID Tracking Project, and Staff Writer, The Atlantic

## **Esther Ellis, PhD**

Territorial Epidemiologist, U.S. Virgin Islands

#### Kevin English, PhD

Director, Albuquerque Area Southwest Tribal Epidemiology Center

#### **Panel Four: Congressional Perspective**

Sitting Member of Congress will discuss the role of the Legislative Branch in addressing COVID-19 and future pandemic threats.

#### **Representative Jason Crow (D-CO)**

Member, Subcommittee on Intelligence, Emerging Threats and Capabilities, Committee on Armed Services, U.S. House of Representatives

## **Closing Remarks**