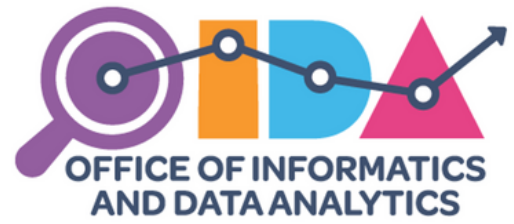


The OIDA Bulletin



Our mission is to ensure that the determinants and distribution of disease and health for Alabama are accurately assessed and the information is disseminated in a meaningful way.

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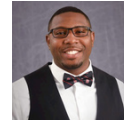
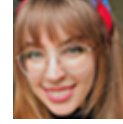
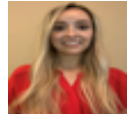


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How We Help

- The new OIDA, previously known as the Centralized Data Unit, will improve the Department's data driven decision making.
- OIDA serves as a resource to provide support & input with epidemiologic:
 - intergration, analysi, interpretation, determination, visualization, & dissemination
- If we can help in any way, please reach out.



What's Happening

- Weekly meetings are taking place with district epidemiologists.



- Started a pilot for clearance process for abstracts, presentations, & publications.



Current Projects

- Working on the hospital discharge database.
 - The Hospital Discharge Data Advisory Council drafted the rules that were approved to be open for public comment.
- Partnering with AlaHA on implementing electronic case reporting in hospitals across the state.
 - Hospitals are being offered an incentive to make the electronic switch
- Partnering with UAB to provide monthly SAS training tailored to ADPH's needs via on-going modules and/or in-person trainings.
- Standardizing how the Department releases & shares information, through individual requests, presentations, dashboards, etc. by developing a Department-wide data release policy; establishing a clearance process for abstracts, presentations, and publications; and ensuring collaboration across bureaus.



Be on the Look Out

- Department-wide data assessment is coming your way.
 - Each bureau will be contacted so we can better learn how everyone's data is collected, stored, and used.
- Proposed drafted changes to the Notifiable Disease Rule for review.

