

The OIDA Bulletin

January 2023

alabamapublichealth.gov/oida



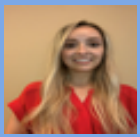
Director & State Epidemiologist:
Sherri Davidson, PhD, MPH



Assistant to Director:
Dyan Hunter

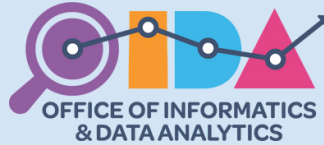


Epidemiologist:
Ambiir Gray, MPH



Public Health Educator:
Elizabeth Pugh, MS

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.



Deputy Director, CDC CEFO:
Melissa Morrison, MPH



Senior Data Analyst:
MisChele Vickers, MPA




Data Analyst Trainee:
Mashunda Longmire



Epidemiologist:
Annalyse Bergman, MPH



Progress Towards Electronic Case Reporting (eCR)

- 62 hospitals initiated the process to send eCRs
- 7 hospitals are sending COVID-19 case data
- 6 hospitals are sending electronic case reports for all reportable conditions
- OIDA is developing the implementation plan for integrating eCRs  [Learn more about eCR](#)



OIDA assisted with the Newborn Screening Report

OIDA continues to provide SAS training with

 THE UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA AT BIRMINGHAM

- Two In-Person Trainings
 - October 17, 2022 & January 23, 2023
- Two Virtual Trainings
 - December 12, 2022 & December 19, 2022
- Future Trainings
 - February 27, 2023 (virtual)
 - March 20, 2023 (virtual)
 - April 17, 2023 (in-person)
 - May 15, 2023 (virtual)
 - June 12, 2023 (in-person)


If you would like to sign up for SAS training, please email [Dyan Hunter](mailto:Dyan.Hunter@uab.edu)


*Virtual trainings are from 9:30am to 2:30pm with an hour for lunch at 11:30am

Hospital Discharge Data

Submissions for Quarter 3 were completed. Quarter 4 submissions are in progress. 

Syndromic Surveillance

- Provided syndromic surveillance training to the CSTE Applied Epidemiology Fellow working in Infectious Diseases and Outbreaks Division
- OIDA continues to provide situational awareness for Emergency Department visits attributable to cold weather injuries as well as respiratory viruses 

OIDA assisted the Childhood Lead Program with automated processing of point-of-care blood lead test result reporting via REDCap 

Assisted Hepatitis C program with reporting performance measures for cooperative agreement



Presenting Data Effectively Training May 1, 2023 (Tentative)

Reportable Conditions Knowledge Management System (RCKMS)

- The Animal Bite reporting criteria has been adjusted to help route reportable bites more efficiently.
- OIDA epidemiologist will be reviewing condition-specific criteria to assist program staff 