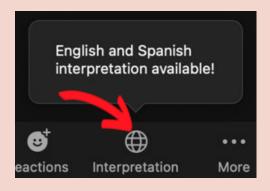
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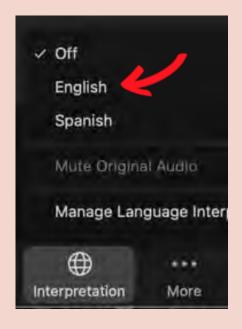
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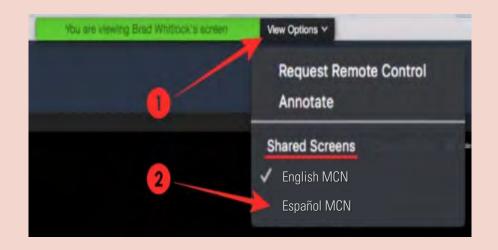




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# Meet our Mon team



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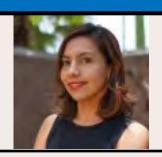
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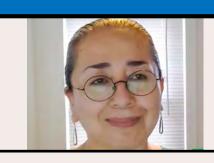
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### Learning Objectives



Identify the current status of COVID-19 in the US and its impact on migrant and immigrant communities



Facilitate peer-to-peer learning between community-based organizations and encourage resource sharing



Share culturally appropriate educational materials and resources to support continued efforts against the spread of COVID-19

# "Are there COVID-19 related concerns in your community or something about COVID that is affecting your community and that you would like us to address?"





#### **COVID-19 Clinical Update**

Dr. Laszlo Madaras



End of the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency

Amy Liebman

### <u>Agenda</u>



**Questions and Answers** 



**Resource Corner** 

Esther Rojas



**Session Pulse Check** 

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## COVID-19 Clinical Update



Laszlo Madaras, MD, MPH, FAAFP, SFHM Chief Medical Officer



# 2nd Bivalent Booster: "Who needs another?"

- The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) approved a <u>2nd</u> <u>bivalent</u> booster from Moderna and Pfizer on Tuesday, April 18
  - Over 65 years old
  - Immunocompromised
- Why another booster for some?
  - Approximately <u>1300 deaths</u> in US weekly
  - Vaccine protection wanes after 5-6 months





# Immunocompromised and Elderly

- Comorbidities increase with age and immune system is weakened
- <u>Latest CDC data</u> shows vaccine protection wanes among elderly after 4-5 months
- 75.5% of COVID deaths are 65 and up
- Risk of severe infection and death <u>dramatically</u> declines with vaccination
  - Even for the elderly



# "What about younger people?"

- Younger, healthier people are staying out of the hospital due to:
  - Hybrid immunity
  - Less likely to have comorbidities
  - Have a more robust immune system
- Younger people still need to be vaccinated

### What is a Bivalent Booster?

- ✓ "A little of the old and a little of the new"
- ✓ Omicron-specific
- ✓ Anyone who received a booster September 2022 and after received a bivalent booster



### FDA Vaccine Updates

#### **Immunocompromised**

- 5 years and up
- Already received 1 bivalent dose can receive a 2nd dose
- 2 months after 1st bivalent booster
- Additional bivalent doses as needed, 2 months

#### Age 65 and up

- Already received 1 bivalent dose can receive a 2nd dose
- 4 months after 1st bivalent booster

### FDA Vaccine Updates

### Primary series + Bivalent booster

- Not currently eligible for an additional bivalent dose
- May change in the future (Fall 2023)

#### Unvaccinated

 May receive a single bivalent dose instead of multiple doses of the monovalent mRNA COVID-19 vaccine

### Primary series but no bivalent booster

 May still receive a single dose of the bivalent vaccine

### FDA Vaccine Updates: Children

#### **Unvaccinated Children**

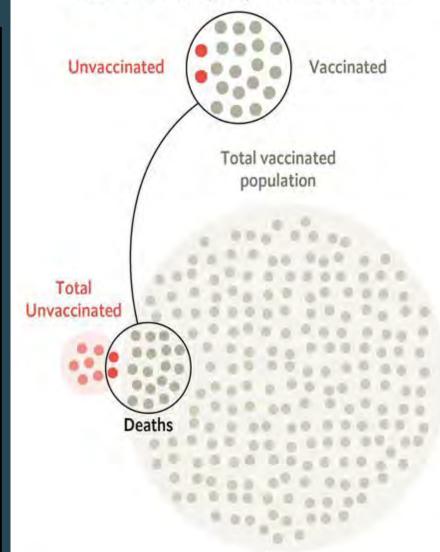
- 6 months to 5 years old
- May receive 2 bivalent doses of Moderna OR
- May receive 3 bivalent doses of Pfizer bivalent vaccine

#### Vaccinated Children

- Those 6 months to 5 years who have received 1, 2, or 3 monovalent COVID-19 vaccines
- May receive a bivalent vaccine but the number of doses will depend on the vaccine + vaccination history

# Risks vs. Benefits of Vaccination

- 95% of those age 65+ in the US have at least 2 doses
- Most COVID-19 related deaths are those 65+ and who are vaccinated
- While this sounds like a risk, it is a 90% reduction in death compared to those unvaccinated



But compared with their share of the overall population, vaccinated people die at a far lower rate

# Risks vs. Benefits of Vaccination

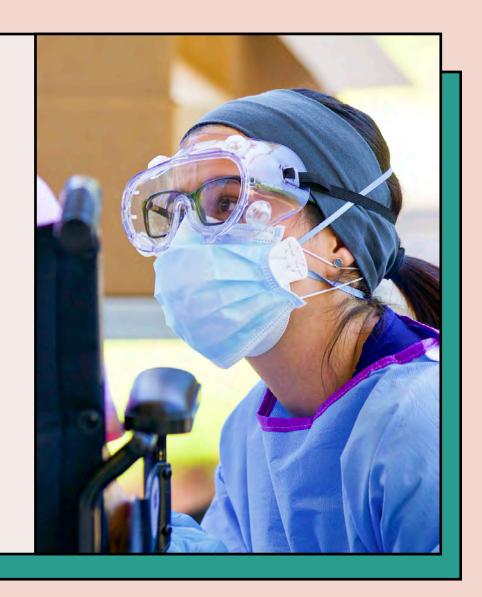
- For adolescent males, the risk of myocarditis continues to be a rare but real risk
- Serious case of myocarditis is still more likely from COVID infection



# End of the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency



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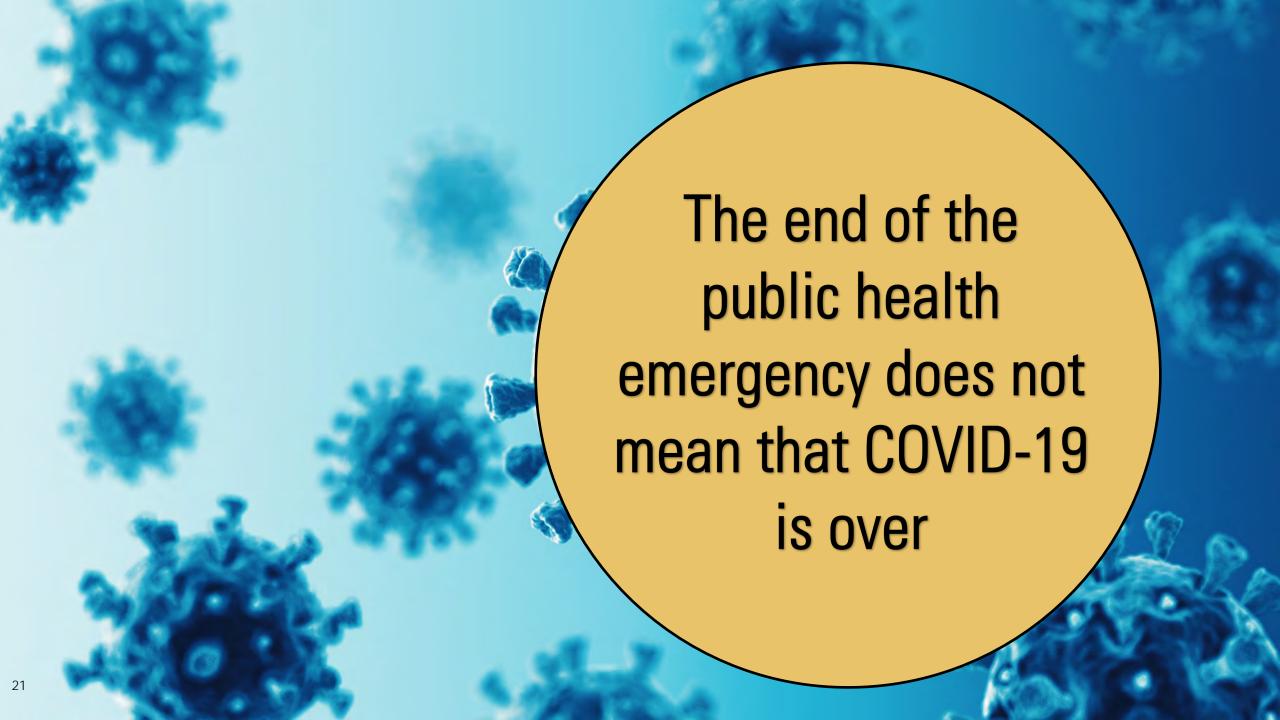
### National Public Health Emergency

• Ends May 11, 2023

### National COVID-19 Emergency

• Ended April 10, 2023

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#### National Public Health Emergency

- Allowed millions to receive Medicaid, the state and federally funded health coverage program for low-income individuals and families
- Allowed for government funding to provide all individuals with free COVID-19 vaccines, tests, and some treatments for COVID-19 illness
- Allowed for increase funding and gave way for vaccination development and research



#### What will end?

- We no longer have this pot of funds for testing, vaccination, and some treatments
- Some critical changes will happen state-to-state
  - End to continuous Medicaid re-enrollment
- Deepen the divide between uninsured and insured
- Terminates Title 42
- Decrease in SNAP (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program) benefits



# How to Support Refugee, Immigrant, and Migrant Communities Before and After the End of the Public Health Emergency

Thursday, April 20, 2023 12:30 PM (PT) / 2:30 PM (CT) / 3:30 PM (ET)

On May 11, 2023, the public health emergency (PHE) will expire, and many will see changes in COVID-19 healthcare costs, insurance coverage and renewals, and food benefits. These changes are likely to disproportionately impact some refugee, immigrant, and migrant (RIM) communities.

Join this webinar where panelists from the Migrant Clinicians Network and the International Rescue Committee discuss how the end of the PHE is likely to impact RIM communities and steps to take before May 11 to support RIM community members.

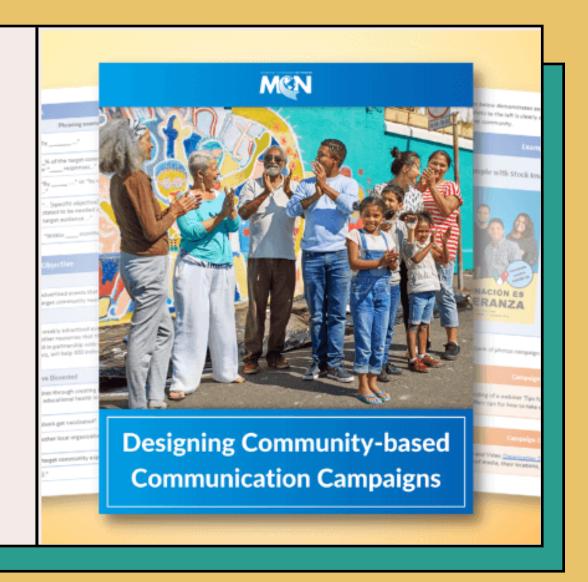
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### Resource Corner

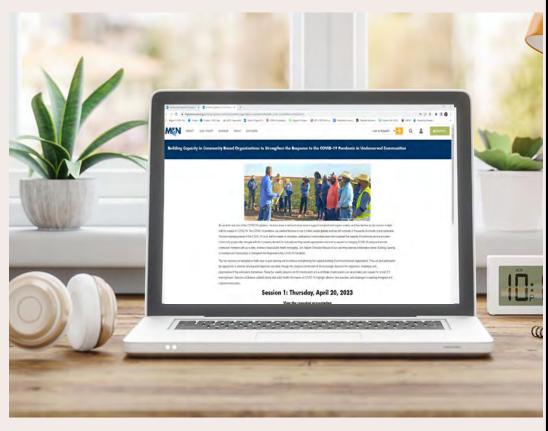


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### Building Capacity Archive

Link: <a href="https://www.migrantclinician.org/building-capacity-community-based-organizations-strengthen-response-covid-19-pandemic-underserved">https://www.migrantclinician.org/building-capacity-community-based-organizations-strengthen-response-covid-19-pandemic-underserved</a>



Recordings, Resources, and More!

### What's the End of the Public Health Emergency for COVID-19?

The U.S. President has ordered an end to the programs and aid related to the COVID-19 pandemic on May 11, 2023



This affects migrant workers because vaccines, tests and treatment for COVID-19 will no longer be free.



Remember, vaccination will <u>still be required</u> even after the end of the health emergency.

#### How can we prepare ourselves?

- If you haven't been vaccinated or got the bivalent booster, get vaccinated!
- Stay informed!
- Verify the information you have received before sharing it to other people to prevent disinformation.
- Get free tests before the end of the health emergency.
- O Protect against Covid-19 by:
  - · Washing your hands often
  - Getting vaccinated
  - Wearing a mask
  - Keeping a safe distance from others
- Take a COVID-19 test at home if you have symptoms or were exposed.
- Know your rights in relation to COVID-19 at work.







For more information about the end of the <u>public health emergency</u> and <u>COVID-19</u>, visit <u>Migrant Clinicians Network</u>.

## What's the End of the Public Health Emergency for COVID-19?

- ✓ New resource available in English and Spanish
- ✓ Ready to print or download and share
- ✓ Highlights the key steps in continued prevention of COVID-19 spread and infection

Link: <a href="https://www.migrantclinician.org/resource/">https://www.migrantclinician.org/resource/</a> whats-end-public-health-emergency-covid-19.html



## Updates to Bivalent COVID-19 Vaccine Eligibility | RESOURCE

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- ✓ Can be edited to include your logo and contact information

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FAQ: COVID-19 and Migrant, Immigrant, and Food & Farm Worker Patients

Available in English & Spanish!

Visit migrantclinician.org/COVID19-FAQ



MCN's FAQ has been recognized by the Digital Health Awards.

# Session Pulse Check

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Building Capacity in Communities to Strengthen the Response to the COVID-19 Pandemic



### Thank you!

Our next session:

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