



## Region 2 Public Health Emergency Preparedness

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### Disease Investigation Courses

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#### Three Course Options:

- Tuesday, Feb 14, 2012 – Mason City, 9:30 AM – 2:00 PM, location TBA
- Thursday, Feb 16, 2012 – Algona, 9:30 AM – 2:00 PM, EMS Room Kossuth Regional Health Center
- Friday, Feb 17, 2012 – New Hampton, 9:30 AM – 2:00 PM, Chickasaw County Public Health Office

#### **Course Goal:**

Participants will discuss several aspects of disease investigations including best practices for investigations, use of the Iowa Disease Surveillance System (IDSS), formulating disease statistic reports in IDSS, and quality improvement for disease investigations

#### **Target Audience:**

The primary audience for this training is individuals within local public health agencies who have disease investigation as a function of their job. This class will be required for at least one staff member of any public health agency seeking “demonstration” of the PHEP Epidemiology Capability (Capability #13)

#### **Course Objectives:**

At the end of this course, participants will be able to:

1. Describe basic disease investigation techniques
2. Identify “fields” in IDSS that are constant or unique to a disease
3. Discuss two reports that can be generated in IDSS
4. List 3 components of an appropriate After Action Report (AAR)

#### **Registration Instructions:**

Due to limited seating, you must register on the Learning Management System. To register, go to [www.prepareiowa.com](http://www.prepareiowa.com). If you don't already have an account, you need to register as a new user.

Once you have registered (or signed in if you are already a user), here are the steps to register:

1. Click on Course Catalog
2. In the Search Text box type in: 1412
3. Click the Search button. Click “Go” next to “View Sections”
4. Click “Go” next to “Enroll” next to the course date/location you wish to attend.
5. Click the “Enroll” button to confirm
5. A confirmation message will appear at the top of the page – registrants will also receive an email with Date/Time/Location.

For assistance with the LMS, please contact Sandra Lyles at [Sandra.Lyles@idph.iowa.gov](mailto:Sandra.Lyles@idph.iowa.gov) or 515-242-5165.

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