



CDC Zika IMS Sustaining the Zika Response in 2017 Medical Investigations Team

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Opening Remarks

OVERVIEW

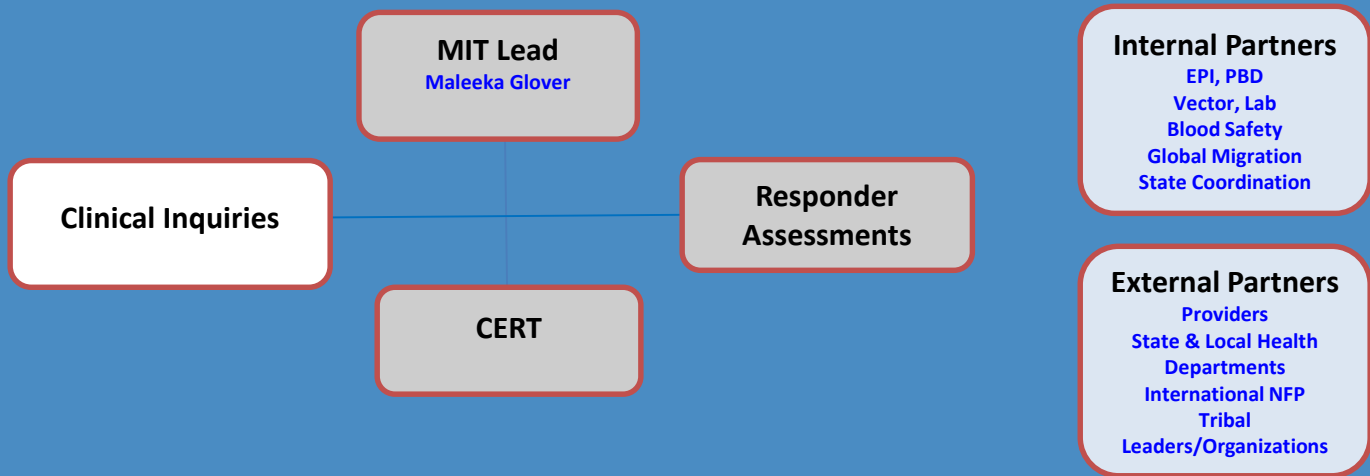
- Medical Investigations Support
- Clinical Inquiries
- CERT
- Q&As

Medical Investigations Support

Medical Investigations Team

MIT supports CDC preparedness before, during and after all public health emergencies:

- Respond to and monitor clinical inquiries
- Support responder assessments
- Establish and manage domestic emergency response teams
- Collaborate with internal and external partners



Clinical Inquiries

Clinical Inquiries Team

Clinical Inquiries is responsible for managing clinical inquiries and maintaining inquiry-related data that CDC receives:

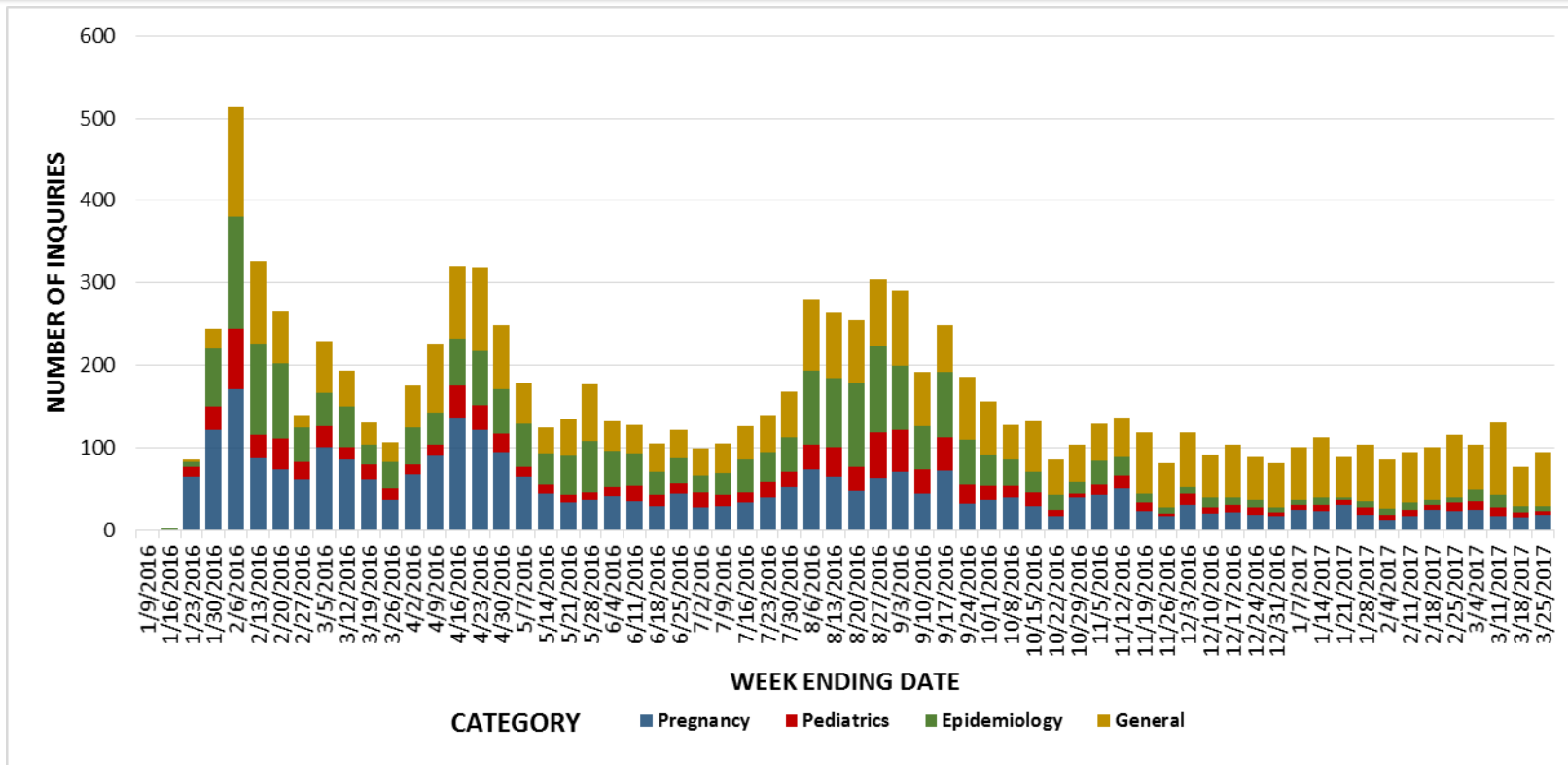
- Provide a dedicated service to health departments
- Convey current Zika guidance to questions received from health departments and providers
- Provide accountability for call center operations
- Inform ongoing response activities and programmatic operations based on inquiry data

Clinical Inquiries Process

Clinicians are responsible for ensuring that responses to clinical inquiries from the general public, clinicians, medical and laboratory workers, environmental services professionals, healthcare administrators, and public health agency representatives are timely, appropriate, supportive, and fully documented.

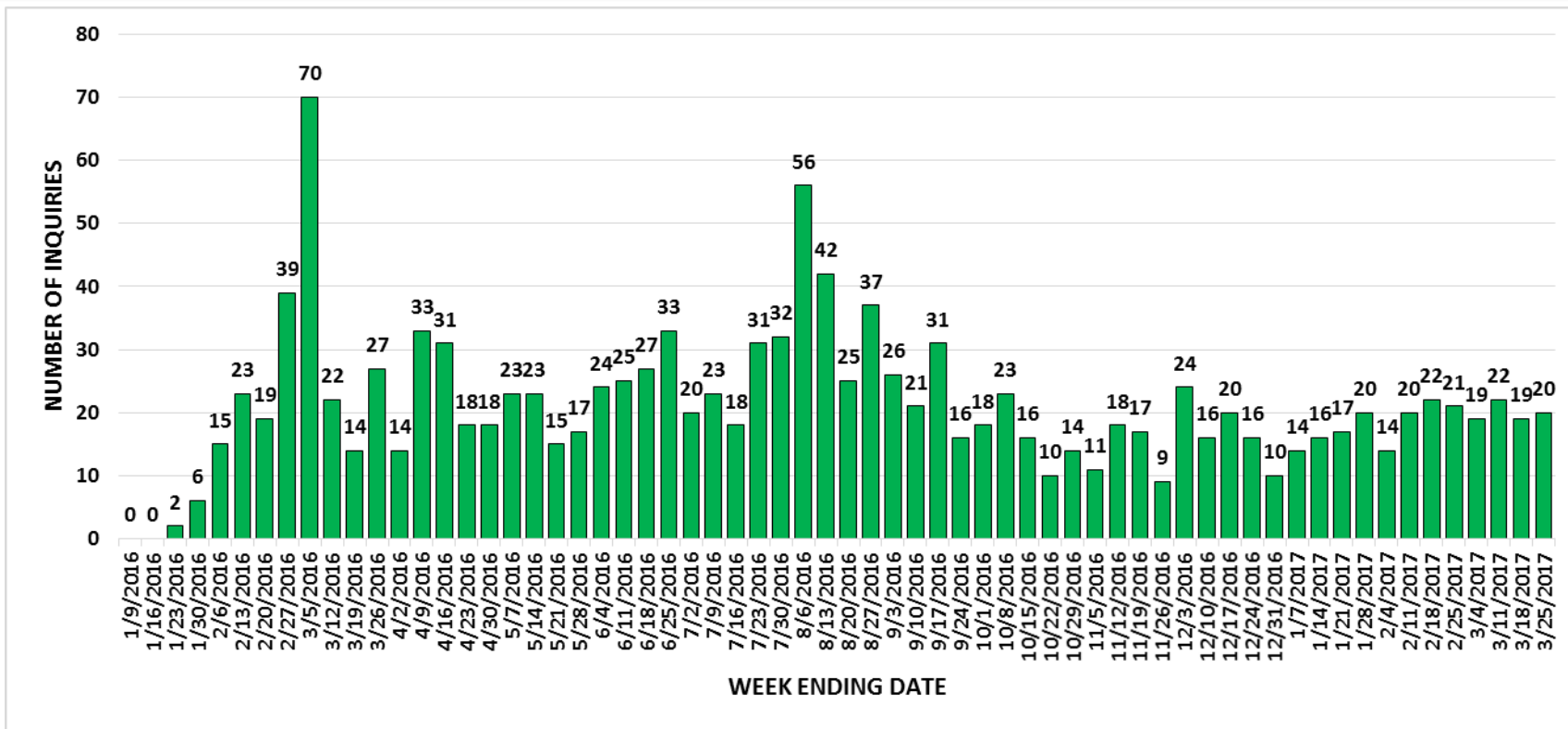
Clinical Inquiries Received by Category and Week, N=7182

January 08, 2016, to March 25, 2017



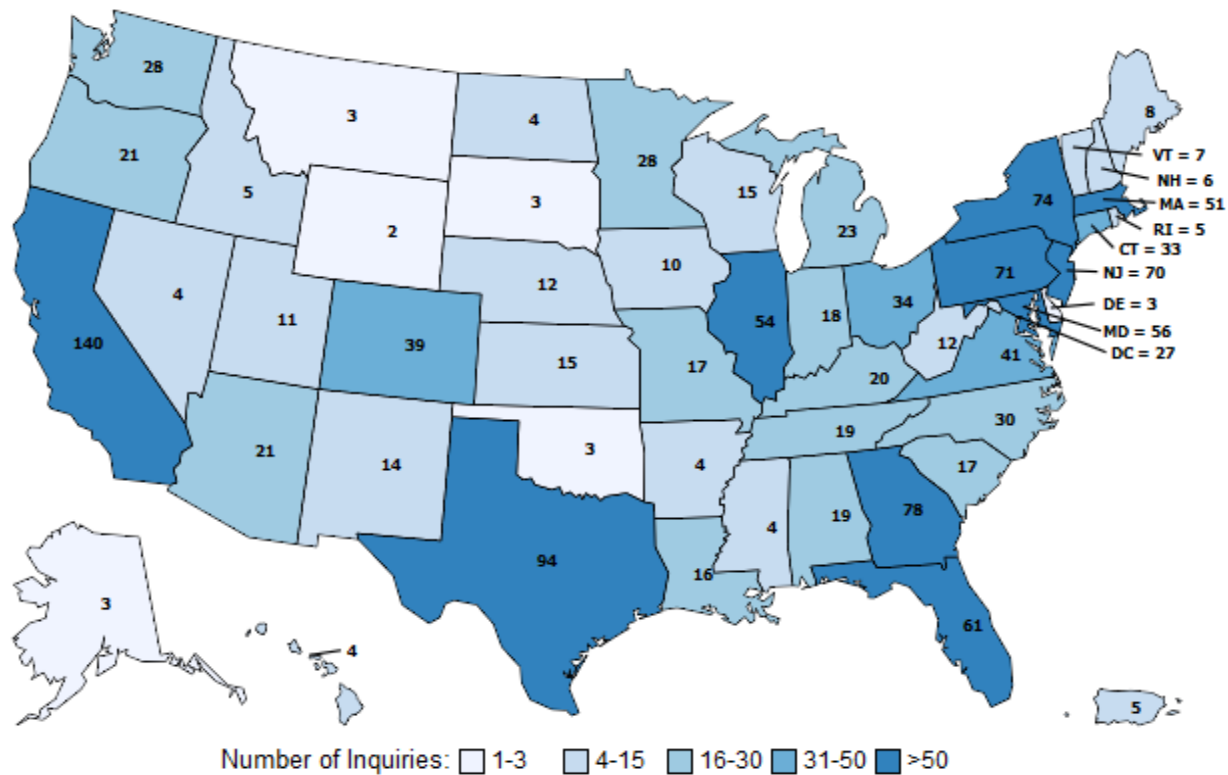
Clinical Inquiries Calls Received by Week, N=1362

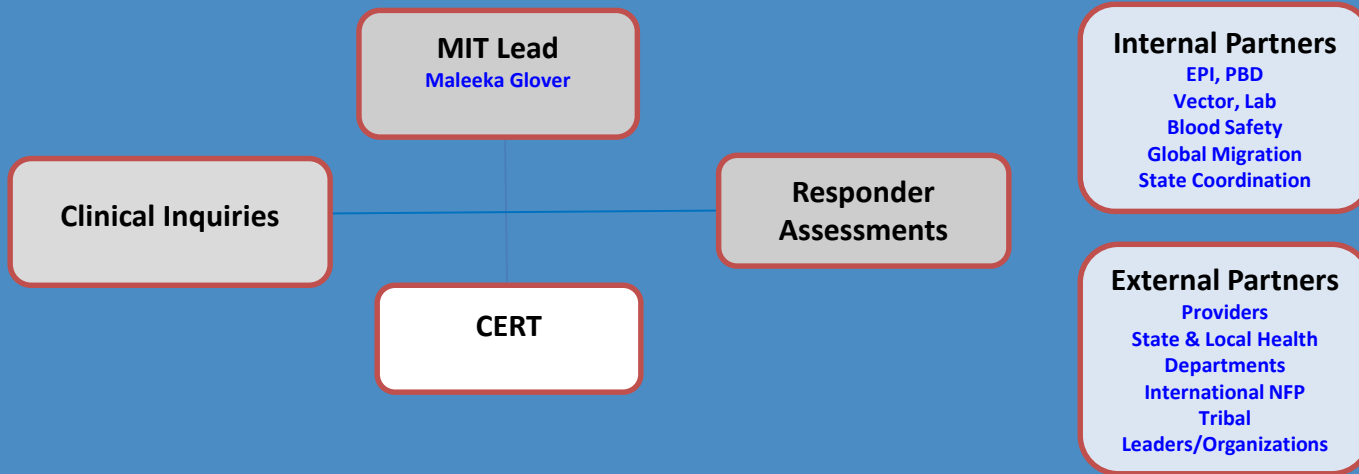
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Clinical Inquiries Calls Received by State, N=1362

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CDC Emergency Response Team (CERT)

What is the CERT?

The CDC Emergency Response Team (CERT) is a highly trained cadre of public health experts trained to mobilize and deploy upon identification of local transmission of Zika virus.

- Occurs following report of a lab-confirmed local transmission of Zika virus
- CERT will deploy to provide technical assistance upon request from a state/local/tribal health authority
- Team composition is determined by the needs of the requestor

CERT Resources

CERT subject matter experts (SMEs) can quickly be sent anywhere in the United States for state, local, or tribal support.

- Epidemiology
- Pregnancy Birth Defects
- Vector Control
- Laboratory
- Communication
- Health Care
- Infection Control
- Data Manager
- Public Health Advisor
- CERT Operations Coordinator

Trigger Points for requesting/deploying CERT

- Single suspected/confirmed local transmission
- Multiperson local transmission
- Priority areas support
- Location/population density
- Capacity/resources of local authority
- Timing/seasonality
- Technical Assistance

CERT SME Activities

- Assist with epidemiologic investigation of known cases
- Work with existing local vector control programs to fill gaps
- Enhance or implement (if absent) mosquito surveillance
- Support community engagement efforts to implement vector control strategies and programs
- Provide communication research, media and technical assistance, and audience-focused materials
- Facilitate outreach to the local medical community to test and report suspect cases
- Provide onsite training or assistance in performing laboratory tests for Zika infection

Tribal Support and Technical Assistance/ CERT Site Visits



- **Support requests from tribes for field assistance**
 - Tribal visits tentatively planned for Arizona and Alabama
- **Provide subject matter expertise**
 - Technical assistance with reviewing Tribe's Zika Response Plan
- **Partner with National Indian Health Board (NIHB) (e.g., Tribal Summits)**
 - Training
 - Trust-building and engagement
- **Support requests from states related to their work with tribes**
 - Training
 - Engagement protocols

CERT Deployments

- Utah
- Florida
- Texas
- Louisiana
- **Site visits**
 - Texas
 - Alabama

Questions/Discussion

Closing Remarks

TELECONFERENCE OVERVIEW	DATE/TIME/LOCATION
Laboratory Task Force Eddie Ades, Robert Lanciotti, Christy Ottendorfer	Wed 3/15/2017 / 2pm–3pm EDT - Domestic Wed 3/15/2017 / 5 pm–6 pm EDT - Islands Bridge Line: 1(888)972-6716/ Passcode: 6721430
Joint Information Center/Communications Cathy Young	Wed 3/22/2017 / 2pm–3pm EDT / Rm 5116 Bridge Line: 1(888)972-6716/ Passcode: 6721430
Epidemiology Task Force Carolyn Gould, Michael Johansson	Thurs 3/23/2017 / 2pm–3pm EDT/ Rm 5116 Bridge Line: 1(888)972-6716/ Passcode: 6721430
Vector Issues Team Janet McAllister	Tues 3/28/2017 / 2pm–3pm EDT/ Rm 5116 Bridge Line: 1(888)972-6716/ Passcode: 6721430
Policy and Partnerships Melody Stevens	Wed 3/29/2017 / 1:30pm–2:30pm EDT/ Rm 5116 Bridge Line: 1(888)972-6716/ Passcode: 6721430
Pregnancy and Birth Defects Task Force (including surveillance) Dana Meaney-Delman	Wed 3/29/2017 / 3pm–4pm EDT/ Rm 5116 Bridge Line: 1(888)972-6716/ Passcode: 6721430
Blood Safety Task Force Sustainment Strategy Discussions Koo Chung	Thurs 3/30/2017 / 2pm–3pm EDT/ Rm 5116 Bridge Line: 1(888)972-6716/ Passcode: 6721430
Medical Investigations Team Sustainment Strategy Discussions Maleeka Glover	Thurs 3/30/2017 / 3:30pm–4:30pm / Rm 5116 Bridge Line: 1(888)972-6716/ Passcode:6721430

Thank You!

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