

# **NYSDOH Wadsworth Center Workshop:**

## **Developing an Occupational Health Plan for High-Risk Pathogens**

July 22, 2009

### **Agenda**

- 8:00 – 8:30am      **Registration**
- 8:30 – 8:45am      **Welcoming Remarks**  
Jill Taylor, Ph.D., Deputy Director, Wadsworth Center
- 8:45 – 9:15am      **Defining High-Risk Pathogens**  
Christina Egan, Ph.D., CBSP, Director, Biodefense Laboratory, Wadsworth Center
- 9:15 – 10:00am     **Occupational Health Support Services**  
James Schmitt, M.D., M.S., Medical Director, National Institutes of Health
- 10:00 – 10:15am    **Break**
- 10:15 – 11:00am    **Boston's Initiative to Improve Disease Surveillance**  
Tony Gemmellaro, Director of Biosafety, Community Initiatives Bureau, Boston Public Health Commission
- 11:00 – 11:45pm    **Managing Exposure Events and Illnesses – A Model Plan**  
David Hill, MEM, CIH, CBSP, Director, Safety and Security, Wadsworth Center
- 11:45 – 1:00pm     **Working Lunch – Panel discussion on key components of model plan**  
Panel: Jill Taylor, Ph.D. (NYSDOH)  
         James Schmitt, M.D. (NIH)  
         Martin Sanders, Ph.D. (CDC)  
         Tony Gemmellaro (BPHC)
- 1:00 – 1:45pm      **Case Studies**  
Josh Schaffzin, M.D., Ph.D, Director, Healthcare Epidemiology and Infection Control Program, NYSDOH
- 1:45 – 2:30pm      **Risk Communication**  
Martin Sanders, Ph.D. RBP, CBSP, Acting Director, Office of Health and Safety, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
- 2:30 – 2:45pm      **Break**
- 2:45 – 3:30pm      **Developing Post-Exposure Response Protocols**  
Sarah Elmendorf, M.D., Albany Medical Center
- 3:30 – 4:15pm      **Serological Surveillance – Benefits and Limitations**  
Susan Wong, Ph.D., Director, Diagnostic Immunology, Wadsworth Center
- 4:15 – 4:30pm      **Closing Remarks**  
Jill Taylor, Ph.D., Deputy Director, Wadsworth Center