

Kansas Infectious Disease Symposium
Thursday, May 8, 2025
Johnson County Arts & Heritage Center
8788 Metcalf Ave., Overland Park, Kansas 66212

Time	Presenter	Topic
7:30-8:20 a.m.	REGISTRATION	
8:20-8:30 a.m.	Charlie Hunt, MPH Johnson County Department of Health & Environment Director	Welcome/Housekeeping and Opening Remarks
8:30-10:00 a.m.	Janet Stout, PhD Special Pathogens Technology President	Keynote Address Water Management: New Regulatory Focus on Legionella and Waterborne Pathogens
10:00-10:10 a.m.	BREAK	
10:10-11:10 a.m.	Matthew Donahue, MD Iowa Department of Health and Human Services-Division of Public Health State Epidemiologist & Deputy Medical Director	Lassa Fever Response in Iowa
11:10-12:10 p.m.	Tanya McIntosh, BSN, RN, CIC & Annie Huber, MPH University of Kansas Health System Infection Prevention and Control	Highway to the Hotzone: Expecting the Unexpected in the Heartland
12:10-1:10 p.m.	LUNCH	
1:10-2:10 p.m.	Cindy McElmurry, RN, BSN & Amie Cook, MPH Shawnee County Health Department & Kansas Department of Health and Environment Immunizations, STI, Family Planning Team Leader & Senior Epidemiologist	Shawnee County Hepatitis A Outbreak Response: A State and Local Perspective
2:10-3:10 p.m.	Erin Petro, DVM, MPH, DACVPM Kansas Department of Health and Environment State Public Health Veterinarian	Natural Disasters and Infectious Diseases: A One Health Perspective
3:10-3:30 p.m.	BREAK	
3:30-4:30 p.m.	Stephanie Lindemann, MPH Kansas Department of Health and Environment Zoonotic & Vectorborne Disease Advanced Epidemiologist	From Allergy to Virus: Exploring the Growing Threat of Tickborne Diseases in Kansas
4:30-4:40 p.m.	Closing Remarks	

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Friday, May 9, 2025
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Time	Presenter	Topic
7:30-8:20 a.m.	REGISTRATION	
8:20-8:30 a.m.	Dennis Kriesel Johnson County Department of Health and Environment Deputy Director	Welcome Day Two and Evaluation Reminder
8:30-9:30 a.m.	Steve Maheux, MPH Emergency Preparedness CRI Program Manager Johnson County Department of Health and Environment	Public Health Emergency Preparedness against Infectious Disease Risks at the World Cup
9:40-10:40 a.m.	Blair Thedinger, MD KC Care Clinic HIV Services Physician & Director of Clinical Education	Big Changes in HIV and STI Prevention
10:40-10:50 a.m.	BREAK	
10:50-11:50 a.m.	Ryan Pferdehirt, DBE, HEC-C The Center for Practical Bioethics Rosemary Flanigan Chair of Bioethics & Vice President of Ethics Services	Ethical Decision-Making in Public Health
11:50 a.m.-12:40 p.m.	LUNCH	
12:40-2:10 p.m.	Ryan Kubat, DO, Erin Corriveau, MD, MPH, & Jason Jones University of Kansas Health System & Kansas Department of Health and Environment Infectious Disease Physician, Family Medicine Physician, & BDCP Bureau Director	Tuberculosis & the 2024 KC Metro Outbreak
2:10-2:30 p.m.	BREAK	
2:30-3:30 p.m.	George Turabelidze, MD, PhD Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services State Epidemiologist	Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza
3:30-4:00 p.m.	Caitlin Kintner, MPH & Serina Taylor, MPH Johnson County Department of Health and Environment Disease Containment Program Manager & Disease Investigator	Measles

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