

PREPARING FOR THE UNEXPECTED

2016 ALL-HAZARDS LABORATORY PREPAREDNESS SURVEY

The All-Hazards Laboratory Preparedness Survey is an annual survey that assesses the challenges and successes of public health preparedness and the capacity of public health laboratories (PHLs) to respond to biological, chemical, radiological and other threats, such as pandemic influenza. The survey was distributed to the PHLs of all 50 states, Puerto Rico, the District of Columbia, Los Angeles and New York City and yielded a 96% response rate (52/54).

Of those labs that responded:

51 have a plan to receive sentinel
CLINICAL SAMPLES
outside of normal business hours

49 have a plan to handle
six to eight weeks of
SURGE TESTING

48 employ a
BIOSAFETY
professional

39 have a chemical response plan
to collect patient specimens after chemical
TERRORISM OR ACCIDENTS

View the full Summary Data Report of this survey for more information.

