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Weekly Situational Awareness Brief

Awareness Topics

Church & Dwight Co., Inc. Issues Voluntary Nationwide Recall of Zicam® Cold Remedy Nasal Swabs, Zicam® Nasal AllClear Swabs, and Orajel™ Baby Teething Swabs Due to Microbial Contamination

“Church & Dwight Co., Inc. is voluntarily recalling all lots within expiry of Zicam® Cold Remedy Nasal Swabs, Zicam® Nasal AllClear Swabs, and Orajel™ Baby Teething Swabs to the consumer level. The products are being recalled due to potential microbial contamination identified as fungi in cotton swab components.”

Long COVID in Young Children, School-Aged Children, and Teens

“Some children have COVID-19 symptoms that do not go away, while others might feel better but later develop new symptoms. Sometimes, symptoms can come and go. Long COVID can affect any child, even if they had mild or no symptoms when they had COVID-19.”

Joint Commission to create guidelines on AI's use in healthcare

“The Joint Commission has partnered with the Coalition for Health AI to establish and implement evidence-based guidance on the use of artificial intelligence in healthcare operations.”

Heat-Related Illness Among US Patients Experiencing Homelessness

“Climate change is increasing the frequency, duration, and severity of heat waves,¹ and consequently the risk of heat-related illness. Several factors—including increased exposure, multimorbidity,² and involuntary displacement (eg, from shaded parks, with loss of essential items)³—are associated with higher risk of heat-related illness among people experiencing homelessness (PEH), especially unsheltered individuals.”

The American Diabetes Association Releases Standards of Care in Diabetes—2025

“The latest ADA guidelines combine comprehensive, evidence-based recommendations for diabetes care with actionable guidance to enable health care professionals provide the best care possible for those living with diabetes,” said Nuha El Sayed, MD, MMSc, the ADA’s senior vice president of health care improvement.”

Health care sector braces for supply chain uncertainty with changing tariff policies

“As tariffs threaten to raise prices, health care leaders push for tariff exemptions and transparency from manufacturers.”

Birth Cohort Effects in Appendiceal Adenocarcinoma Incidence Across the United States

“Incidence rates of appendiceal adenocarcinoma (AA) are increasing across all age groups in the United States. Birth cohort patterns of AA can provide new, etiologic clues into increasing rates but have not been examined.”

Upcoming MESH Educational Offerings

Naloxone Administration **Opioid Overdose Prevention Training**

July 17, 2025 | 10 am, 11 am or 1 pm EST | 1202 West 16th Street, Indianapolis, IN 46202

Grand Rounds with Sam Lashely

August 12, 2025 | 1-2 pm EST | LIVE via Zoom

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