

Preparedness to Combat Infectious Disease and Drug-Resistant Bacterial Threats

Duke-Margolis Center for Health Policy

Webinar Agenda | Tuesday, August 29, 2023 | 1:00 – 2:00 pm ET

About the Webinar

Duke-Margolis invites policymakers, legislators, and those invested in addressing emerging infectious diseases to learn about preparedness in the context of both viral and bacterial threats, including drug-resistant bacteria and antimicrobial resistance (AMR). Expert speakers will highlight:

- Key similarities and differences between viral and bacterial threats, including their respective impact on national security, global public health, and economic prosperity;
- Antiviral and antibacterial product supply chains and manufacturing, and the potential impact of future health emergencies or global infectious disease outbreaks; and
- Incentives for antibiotic manufacturing and supply chain reliability, integrated viral and bacterial threat surveillance, evidence development infrastructure, and diagnostic innovation to bolster preparedness and mitigate the threat of drug-resistant infections.

Discussion will inform policy approaches that decision-makers can pursue to advance preparedness, particularly approaches that align actions to address both viral and bacterial threats, and approaches that support access to current and future life-saving antibiotics.

1:00 pm **Welcome and Opening Remarks**

Mark McClellan, Director, Duke-Margolis Center for Health Policy

1:05 pm **Moderated Panel Discussion**

Moderator: Mark McClellan

Panelists will consider policy approaches to align ongoing efforts and advance preparedness against a range of infectious disease threats, specifically by discussing the following key ideas:

- Aligning policy proposals to prevent harm from viral and bacterial threats;
- How health threats such as infectious disease outbreaks impact pharmaceutical manufacturing, supply chains, and drug shortages; and
- Incentives for antibiotic manufacturing, surveillance of antibiotic resistance, antibiotic evidence development, and bacterial diagnostics.

Webinar Panelists

- **Lynn Filpi**, Office of Science and Technology Policy (EOP)
- **Evan Loh**, Paratek Pharmaceuticals, Inc.
- **Payal Patel**, Intermountain Health
- **John Rex**, F2G Ltd., Advent Life Sciences, McGovern Medical School

1:55 pm **Closing Remarks**

Mark McClellan

2:00 pm **Adjournment**