

Monkeypox and The Lessons of History

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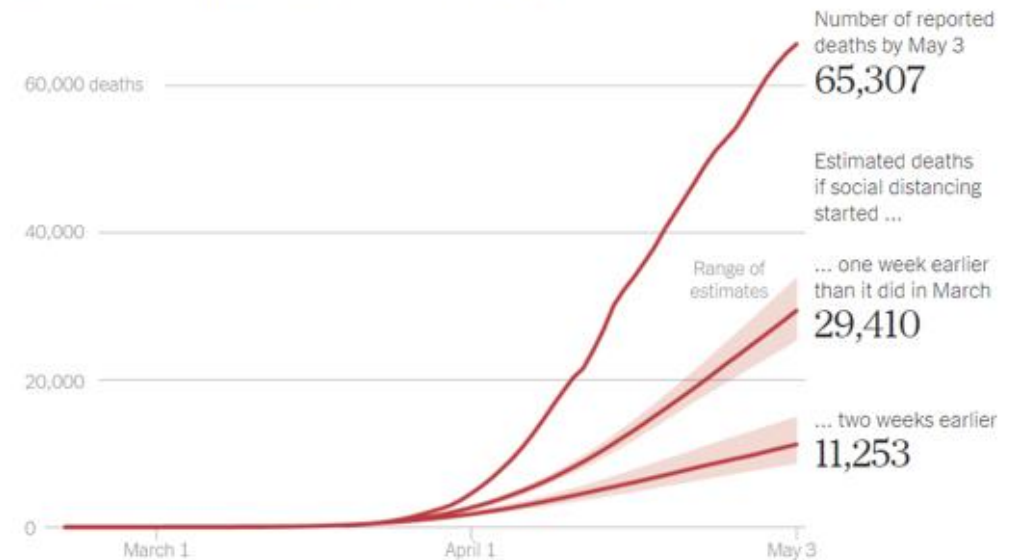
Waiting to Act Costs Lives



Lockdown Delays Cost at Least 36,000 Lives, Data Show

Even small differences in timing would have prevented the worst exponential growth, which by April had subsumed New York City, New Orleans and other major cities, researchers found.

How Earlier Control Measures Could Have Saved Lives



By Weiyi Cai - Source: "Differential Effects of Intervention Timing on COVID-19 Spread in the United States," by Sen Pei, Sasikiran Kandula and Jeffrey Shaman, Columbia University

Stigma Must Be Combatted—And Early



HEALTH CARE

U.S. monkeypox response stirs up anxious memories of AIDS era for activists

They lived through the dawn of the AIDS epidemic and see parallels to monkeypox now.

Daniels & Cancryn, Politico (4 Aug 2022)

Push to rename monkeypox to fight growing stigma

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The Negative Health Effects of Anti-Asian Stigma in the U.S. During COVID-19

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Testing, Treatment and Vaccines Must Be in Reach

'Frustration and Stress': State Officials Fault Rollout of Monkeypox Vaccine

Federal officials are not relying on an established system to distribute the vaccine, slowing immunizations and burdening local health departments, critics say.

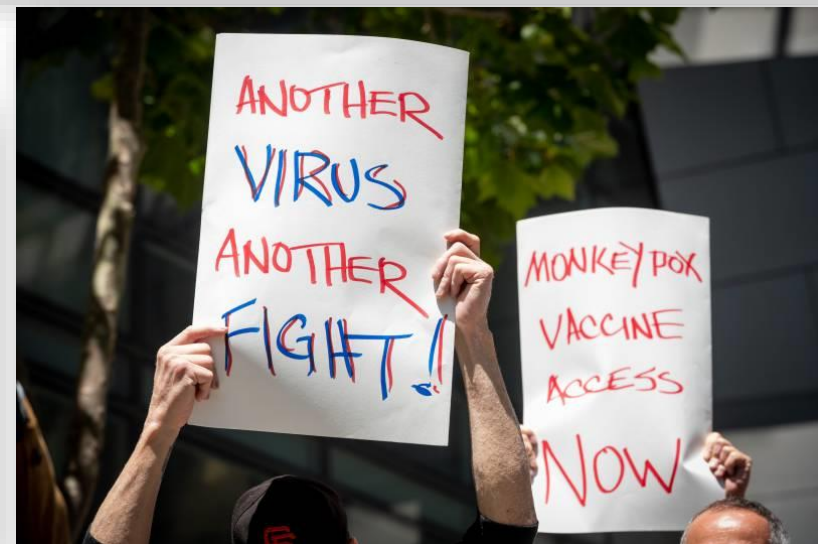
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By Michelle Andrews
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An Effective Response is an Equitable Response

In Rural America, Covid Hits Black and Hispanic People Hardest

At the peak of the Omicron wave, Covid killed Black Americans in rural areas at a rate roughly 34 percent higher than it did white people.

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Mueller, New York Times (28 July 2022)

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The silent and dangerous inequity around access to COVID-19 testing: A call to action

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Health Department Announces New Details of Monkeypox Vaccine Strategy

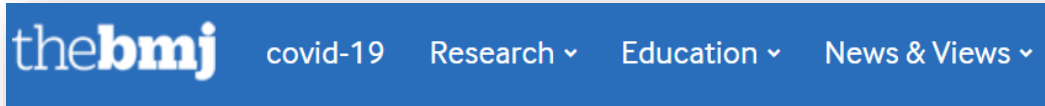
The Health Department will release over 8,000 additional first dose appointments over the next two weeks, **4,000 additional doses will be made available through referrals from community partner organization serving the highest-risk patients**

Appointments will be made available on the City's vaccine portal: vax4nyc.nyc.gov/monkeypox on Friday, July 15 at 6pm

July 14, 2022 — The Health Department today announced plans for the next allocation of the JYNNEOS™ vaccine. Approximately 14,500 doses arrived this week from the federal government, and beginning this weekend, the Department will administer these doses at mass vaccination sites and clinics in all five boroughs.



Global Health Must Be Prioritized



News

Monkeypox: Concerns mount over vaccine inequity

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In race for monkeypox vaccines, experts see repeat of COVID

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A woman and child await treatment for monkeypox in the Central African Republic in 2018.

MONKEYPOX IN AFRICA: THE SCIENCE THE WORLD IGNORED

As vaccines are deployed globally, African researchers worry they will be left behind.

Kozlov, Nature (23 June 2022)





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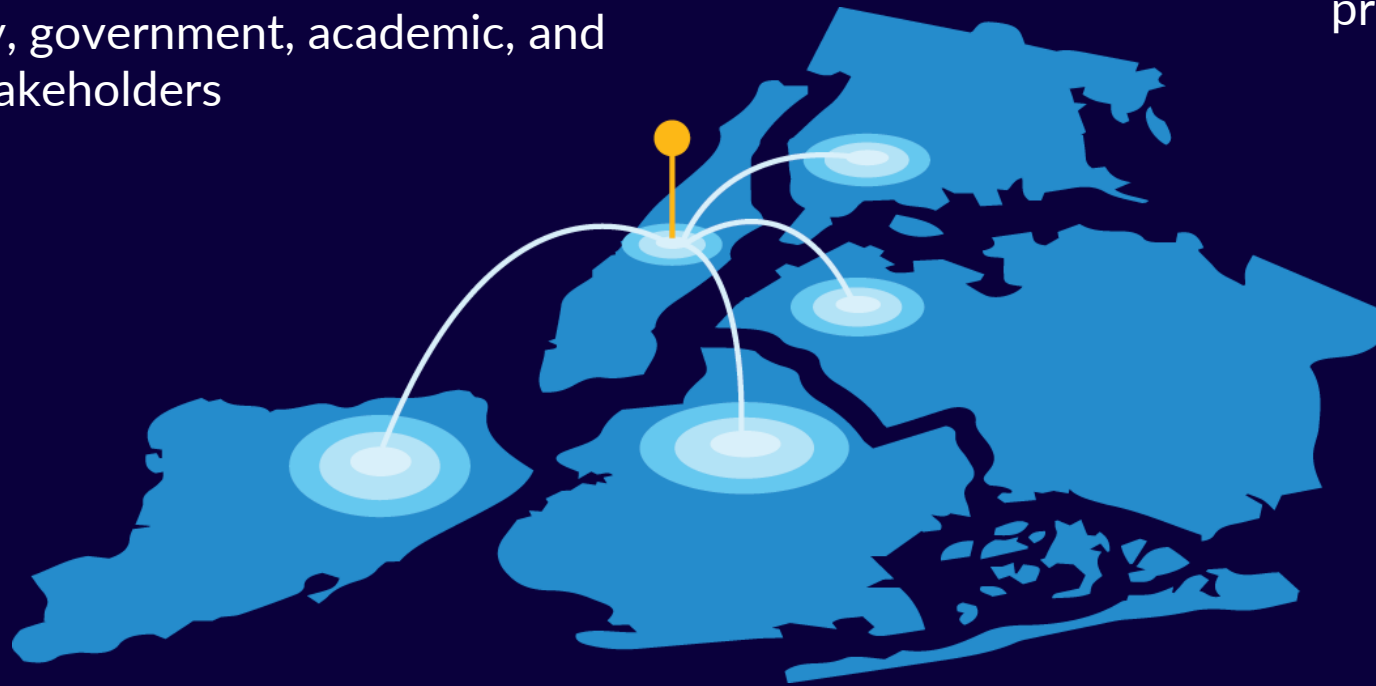
Headquarters and Innovation Site - Harlem

Will house the PRI's management team and citywide research and development initiatives

Venue for larger summits and events bringing together community, government, academic, and industry stakeholders

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Additional pop-up spaces and neighborhood-level posts to be added over time in line with programmatic needs



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A digital space and infrastructure for virtual engagement and to support the rapid launch of activities for early impact

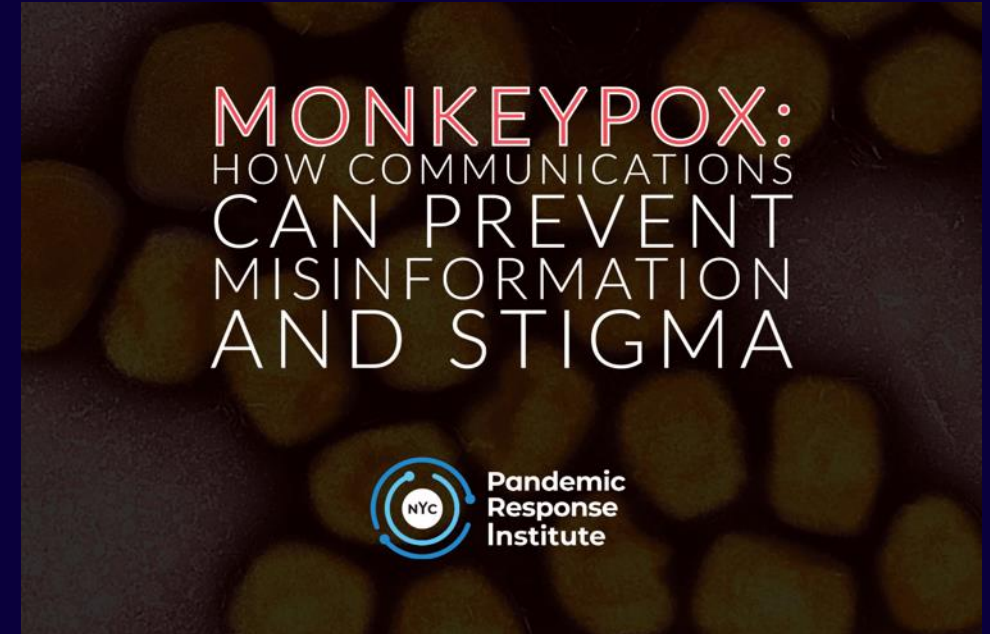
Community Hubs – In Every Borough

In established and trusted existing community spaces

Offers tailored training and collaboration & responds to local priorities


Piloting innovations, data collection and dissemination

Recent Webinars on Monkeypox



Recently PRI organized two webinars related to the Monkeypox outbreak that reached over 1500 viewers. The recordings are available on our website at pri.nyc/news-events

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Monkeypox

Global Cases: 36,589
US Cases: 11,889
(US CDC as of Aug 15)

[The World Health Organization \(WHO\) announced Saturday that it renamed variants of monkeypox virus to counter concerns about the original naming conventions.](#) A group of global experts agreed on new names to align the monkeypox disease, virus and variants—or clades—with current best practices. Consensus was reached to now refer to the former Congo Basin (Central African) clade as Clade one (I) and the former West African clade as Clade two (II). Additionally, it was agreed that the Clade II consists of two subclades. The proper naming structure will be represented by a Roman numeral for the clade and a lower-case alphanumeric character for the subclades. Thus, the new naming convention comprises Clade I, Clade IIa and Clade IIb, with the latter referring primarily to the group of variants largely circulating in the 2022 global outbreak.

[The US CDC has updated its monkeypox guidance to include dogs as animals that can catch the virus.](#) The CDC tweaked its guidance after the first case of a pet dog suspected of contracting the virus from its owners was documented in France, CBS reports.

In an article titled ["The Unfiltered Faces of Monkeypox,"](#) the New York Times discusses how people with monkeypox are taking to social media to share photos and videos of their symptoms to fight stigma and demand more action.

COVID-19

[The United Kingdom has become the first country to approve an updated version of Moderna's Covid-19 vaccine booster that targets two SARS-CoV-2 variants: the Omicron strain and the original virus from 2020,](#) CNN reports.

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