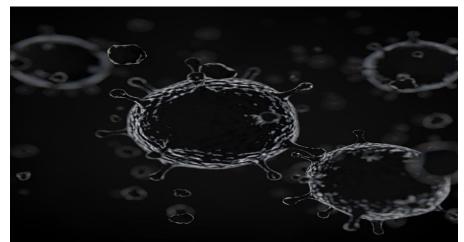
PLEASE JOIN US IN THE INTERNATIONAL FIGHT AGAINST PANDEMIC INFLUENZA



April 11, 2018 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. U.S. Department of State's U.S. Diplomacy Center 330 21st St NW, Washington, DC 20006 (Lower Level)

This year marks the 100th anniversary of the 1918 Flu (H1N1) Pandemic. The devastating pandemic is estimated to have killed 1% of the world's population—making it one of the most lethal epidemics in human history. Even today, seasonal influenza outbreaks cause up to 500,000 deaths worldwide. It is clear that international cooperation and diplomacy will be necessary to successfully fight the next influenza pandemic.

The U.S. Department of State, in partnership with the Department of Health and Human Service's Office of Global Affairs, cordially invites you to participate in a <u>diplomatic briefing and networking event</u> with some of the United States' top pandemic flu experts on April 11, 2018. The discussion, which will mark the 100th anniversary of the 1918 Flu Pandemic, will feature high-level panelists who will exchange views on the history of the 1918 Flu Pandemic, discuss where the world is now in the battle against influenza, and debate the current global vulnerabilities and opportunities the world faces against the next possible pandemic.

This diplomatic briefing will be hosted by Dr. Jonathan Margolis, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Science, Technology, and Health at the U.S. Department of State and will include presentations from:

- Dr. Thomas V. Inglesby Director (Johns Hopkins Center for Health Security)
- Dr. Robert Johnson Director (Influenza and Emerging Infectious Diseases Division at BARDA/ASPR)
- ...and additional speakers to be confirmed.

Moderated by Dr. J. Stephen Morrison – Senior Vice President and Director, Global Health Policy Center (CSIS)

To gain access to the event, please RSVP to <u>JonesDM@state.qov</u> with your full name, date of birth, and passport number, diplomatic ID number, or U.S. government-issued ID number by April 5, 2018.