

Below is a compilation of resources related to AFM. The links below allow you to access the unedited version of the transcript and audio recording from an October 17, 2018 briefing by CDC that provided an update on AFM. Despite not knowing the cause of most of the AFM cases, CDC officials indicated that it's always important to practice disease prevention steps, such as remaining current on vaccines, washing your hands, and protecting yourself from mosquito bites.

Transcript and Recording

- Transcript for CDC Telebriefing: Update on Acute Flaccid Myelitis (AFM) in the U.S.

Tuesday, October 16, 2018 Press Briefing

(This transcript is not edited and may contain errors)

<https://www.cdc.gov/media/releases/2018/t1016-flaccid-myelitis.html>

- Audio Recording of Press Briefing: Update on AFM in the U.S.

Tuesday, October 16, 2018 Press Briefing

https://www.cdc.gov/media/releases/2018/AFM-Update_10162018.mp3

General Resources

- How to spot symptoms of Acute Flaccid Myelitis in your child

<https://www.cdc.gov/acute-flaccid-myelitis/infographic.html>

- Acute Flaccid Myelitis (AFM) Fact Sheet for Patients

<https://www.cdc.gov/acute-flaccid-myelitis/downloads/fs-acute-flaccid-myelitis.pdf>

<https://www.cdc.gov/acute-flaccid-myelitis/infographic.html>

AFM Investigation

- Acute Flaccid Myelitis Surveillance – updated each Monday

<https://www.cdc.gov/acute-flaccid-myelitis/afm-surveillance.html>

For Clinicians

- FAQ by Clinicians and Health Departments

<https://www.cdc.gov/acute-flaccid-myelitis/downloads/2018-afm-faq-fact-sheet-2018-508.pdf>

- CDC Updates Specimen Collection, Shipping, and Testing Guidance for Suspected Acute Myelitis Cases, COCA Clinical Action, March 24, 2017.

<https://content.govdelivery.com/accounts/USCDC/bulletins/1907bcf>

- Job Aid for Clinicians: How to send information about suspected AFM cases to the health department (August 2018)

<https://www.cdc.gov/acute-flaccid-myelitis/downloads/job-aid-for-clinicians-508.pdf>

- For Clinicians: Diagnosing AFM in the United States presentation
<https://www.cdc.gov/acute-flaccid-myelitis/downloads/afm-presentation.pdf>
- Notice to Clinicians: Continued Vigilance Urged for Cases of Acute Flaccid Myelitis, COCA Clinical Reminder, August 27, 2015. <https://emergency.cdc.gov/coca/reminders/2015/2015aug27.asp>
- Acute Neurologic Illness with Focal Limb Weakness of Unknown Etiology in Children, Health Alert Network, September 26, 2014. <https://emergency.cdc.gov/han/han00370.asp>
- Neurologic Illness with Limb Weakness in Children, COCA Call, October 3, 2014.
https://emergency.cdc.gov/coca/calls/2014/callinfo_100314.asp