

Laboratory Messages – Description

The Wisconsin Laboratory Messaging System is a mechanism to communicate with clinical laboratories throughout Wisconsin, for emergency, outbreak, and routine purposes. Laboratory messages are composed and distributed by the Wisconsin State Laboratory of Hygiene (WSLH), which is responsible for laboratory preparedness planning and emergency response in Wisconsin.

Laboratory messages provide laboratory-directed updates and alerts (including those related to biological and chemical emergency preparedness and response), outbreak-related information, training announcements, and other laboratory-related topics. Each message includes the 24/7 emergency number to contact the WSLH.

Messages are transmitted by email and fax (according to the preference of the message recipient) to at least two designated contacts at each of more than 130 clinical laboratories statewide.