## INTERPRETATION OF BARDA'S PRIORITIES FOR 2023: PREPAREDNESS FOR THE NEXT PANDEMIC THREAT

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### Introductions



### Overview



### BARDA Industry Day Takeaways and Priorities

BARDA Strategic Plan

### **BARDA's New Initiatives**



### Domestic Manufacturing

- Supply Chain Security
- Antimicrobial Resistance



### **Positioning to Support BARDA Initiatives**

Key Considerations



## With You Today





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## OVERVIEW Learning Objectives

### PARTICIPANTS WILL

- Review of BARDA Industry Day Takeaways and Priorities based on the BARDA Strategic Plan
- Understand new initiatives related to domestic manufacturing, supply chain security and antimicrobial resistance
- Understand how potential industry partners can best positioned to support new BARDA initiatives





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# **BARDA's FY23 Initiatives**

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## **The BARDA Model**

BARDA develops and makes available medical countermeasures (MCMs) by forming unique publicprivate partnerships to drive innovation off the bench to the patient to save lives.

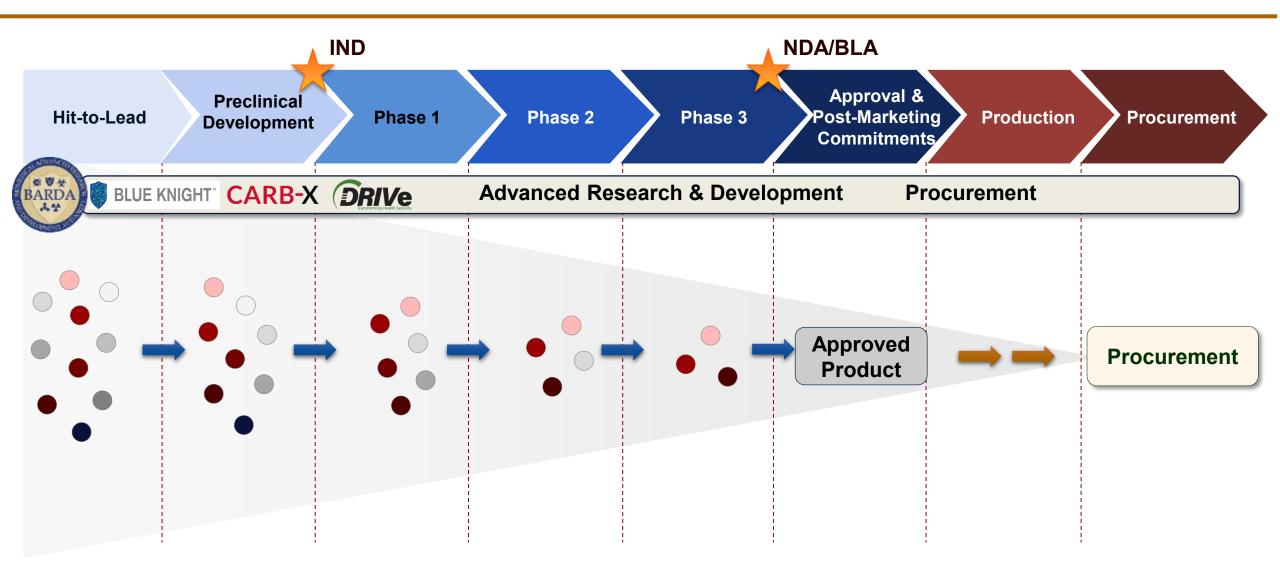
Flexible, nimble authorities BIOME **Multi-year funding Cutting edge expertise Facilitate partnerships** ELOPME **Promote innovation** 







## **BARDA's Medical Countermeasure Development Pipeline**







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## **Our Industry Partners**



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## **Our Government Partners**

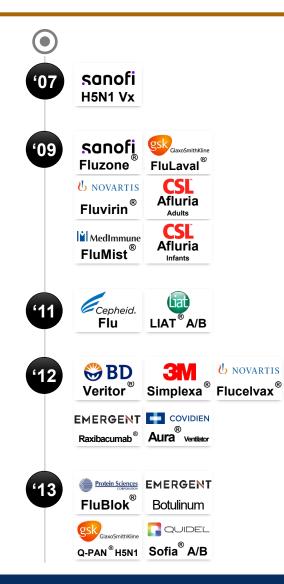




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## 69 FDA Approvals, Licensures, and Clearances







Device (7)

Vaccine (21)

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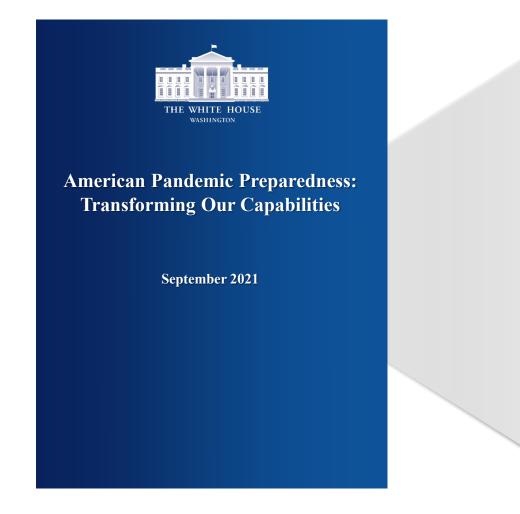
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## BARDA Strategic Plan 2022-2026

The 2022-2026 document serves to effectively communicate our mission and vision to BARDA stakeholders Learn more: <u>www.medicalcountermeasures.gov/barda/strategic-plan/</u>



## **BARDA's Role in Future Pandemic Preparedness**



I. Transforming our Medical Defenses

**Goal:** Have the ability to rapidly make effective vaccines against any virus family.

**Goal:** Have a range of therapeutics suitable for any virus family, available before a pandemic or readily created during a pandemic.

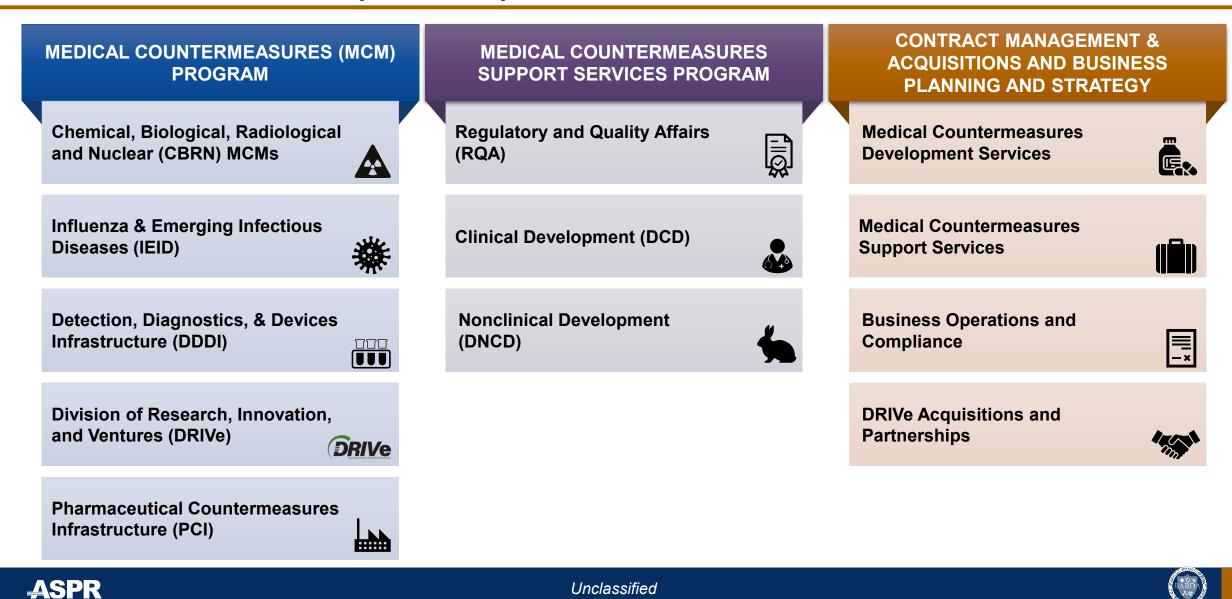
**Goal:** Have simple, inexpensive, high-performance diagnostic tests available at large scale within weeks after the recognition of an emerging pandemic threat.

https://www.whitehouse.gov/briefing-room/statements-releases/2021/09/03/fact-sheet-biden-administration-to-transform-capabilities-for-pandemic-preparedness/





## Biomedical Advanced Research and Development Authority (BARDA) Office of the Director



## Influenza & Emerging Infectious Disease Division (IEIDD)

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## VISION

Robust portfolio of MCMs for the prevention, detection, and treatment of influenza and emerging infectious diseases

## STRATEGY

New, faster, and better therapeutics, vaccines, and diagnostics for influenza Increase and sustain domestic production capacity



Pandemic Readiness through timely and accessible vaccination strategies



Increase health impact of influenza therapeutics by developing host-targeted therapeutics

Invest in sustainable technologies for more effective vaccines, faster manufacturing, distribution, and administration

Smart implementation strategies, including expanded licensure of pre-pandemic vaccines to include additional strains, subtypes, and special population indications

Increase pandemic readiness by bringing preexposure prophylaxis drugs to licensure



## **Detection, Diagnostics, & Devices Infrastructure (DDDI)**

## VISION

Develop diagnostics and devices across BARDA's threat portfolio and add new diagnostic capabilities for a faster pandemic response.

## STRATEGY



Leverage routine health care capabilities and manufacturing capacity

Build essential relationships, both programmatic & financial

Support surge testing with multi-use domestically produced platforms



Move testing closer to the patient while preserving lab testing capability

Stimulate emergence of new technologies with big health security impact

Rapid domestic test manufacturing capability with partners, in lieu of stockpiling

Make threat agnostic diagnostics a reality





## **Division of Research, Innovation, and Ventures (DRIVe)**

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### VISION

Create novel, effective life-saving MCMs that are available to everyone who needs them when they need them.



DRIVe

## STRATEGY



Identifying and de-risking the world's most promising technologies and capabilities to develop tomorrow's MCMs.



Continue to expand the Global Health Security investment portfolio of the BARDA Ventures partnership with GHIC

Launch a decentralized clinical and healthcare network to enhance rapid response capabilities

Continue to grow DRIVe's EZ-BAA portfolio of partners across our 13 R&D programs

Launch Accelerator Network 2.0 with an increased focus on rapidly developing emerging MCMs during emergency response



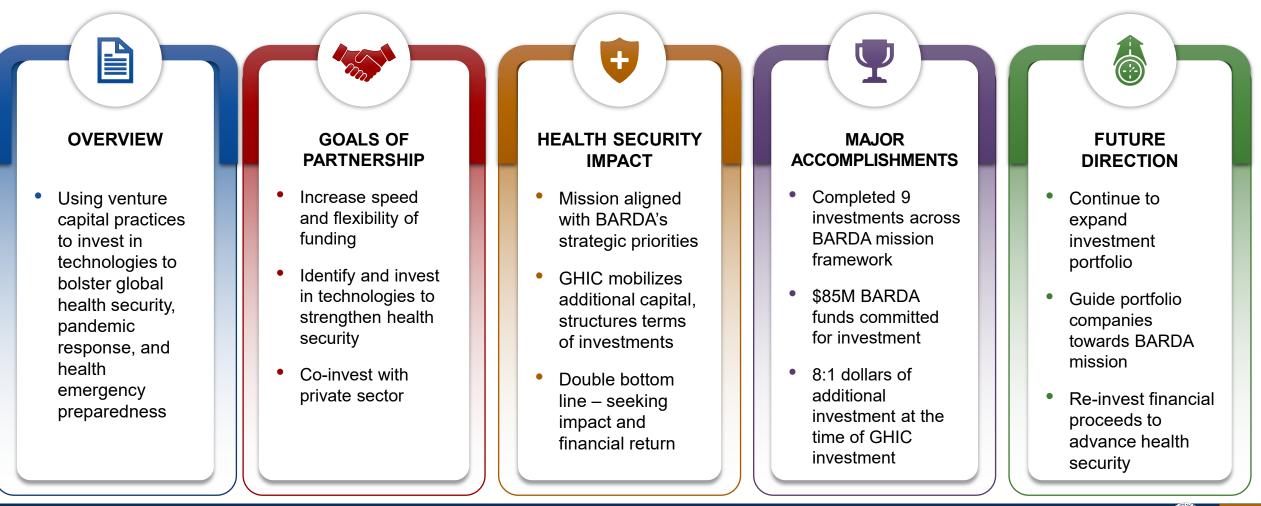




## **BARDA Ventures**



### Public-Private Partnership between BARDA and Global Health Investment Corporation





## **Pharmaceutical Countermeasures Infrastructure (PCI)**



### VISION

Strengthened and enhanced biopharmaceutical manufacturing capabilities that enable fast and effective responses to public health emergencies

## STRATEGY



Product Development Process Expertise



Capacity Infrastructure Contracts

### BIOPHARMACEUTICAL MANUFACTURING PARTNERSHIP



- Pandemic-scale drug substance manufacturing (mfg)
- » Supporting targeted innovations in advanced mfg
- » Enhancing biopharmaceutical workforce development
- » Strengthening raw materials supply chain

# CONTRACT DEVELOPMENT AND MFG ORGANIZAT

- » Ready and vetted network of CDMOs to strengthen drug product & fill/finish response capabilities
- » Securing national supply of essential medicines through small molecule and API mfg

## PANDEMIC VACCINE PREPAREDNESS CAPABILIT

- Domestic capacity expansion targeting key inputs in biomanufacturing
- » Monitoring/tracking supply chain for pandemic response scenarios



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## **Division of CBRN Medical Countermeasures**

## **CBRN MISSION** Make Available at Least **One Countermeasure** for ALL CBRN Material Threats

Radiological & Nuclear MCMs

**Burn & Blast MCMs** 

**Chemical MCMs** 

**Invest** in MCMs to treat the *injury, not* the threat

Develop **All CBRN Branches** innovative MCMs for unknown threats

NKNOWN

Material

**CBRN** 

Threats

BOTULISM

YANIDE

HARMACEUTICA

CHLORINE

ANTHRA)

SMALLPON

TULARENI

ADIOLOGICA

MELIOIDOSIS

GLANDERS

**Antivirals & Antitoxins** 

**Antibacterials** Deliver novel **MCMs** against **bacterial &** viral threats

**Vaccines** 

## **Chemical MCMs Program**



## **END GOAL**

Ensure that MCMs for chemical injury are readily available for the end user

## **STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES**

### Develop a threat-agnostic pipeline of MCMs

- Broad spectrum use for chemical and conventional indications
- Ease of availability during chemical emergency

Repurpose common drugs for chemical indications

- Allows for use of readily available drugs for chemical injury
- Far forward positioned drugs: already with the enduser

## Provide user-focused solutions

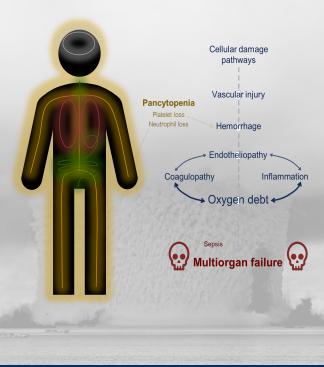
- Ensure that first responders have the products they need
- Create a communication channel directly with the end user





## GOAL

Improve *radiation injury and trauma* health outcomes for all victims of nuclear detonations and radiation exposure



## **Radiological & Nuclear MCMs Program**

## FOCUS AREAS & STRATEGIC ACTIONS

- Hematopoietic:
  - Improve all aspects of hematopoietic injury (radiation and trauma induced) through targeted natural history

### • Innovation:

- Blood products sustainable, robust traditional and next generation blood products
- Enabling technology development (e.g., tissue chips)
- Develop targeted natural histories for unmet areas of pathophysiology (e.g., ischemia, GI, lung)
- Employ new technologies and treatment for robust systemic care

### • Repurposing:

- Leverage commercially available products
- Leverage across threat spaces
- Target underserved and special populations (e.g., pediatrics)

### • Preparedness and Sustainability:

- Repurpose existing commercial products and enable vendor managed inventories with stock rotation
- Develop new products with relevant commercial capacity in regular health care settings
- Drive creation of new essential market space (e.g., pre-hospital)
- Provide interagency support for disaster response

















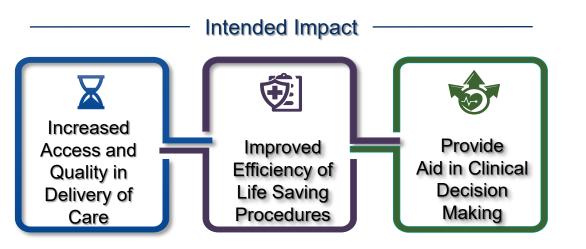
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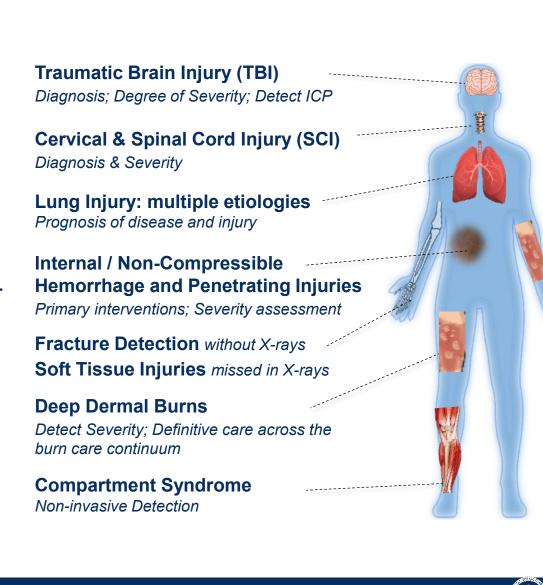
## **Burn and Blast MCMs Program**

**Goal:** Build national preparedness for range of threats with burn & blast consequences

### MCM development focus

- >- Comprehensive real-world solutions
- ➤- Adoption in routine care
- ➤- Sustainable strategy for the long term
- >- Demonstrable value proposition
- >- Adaptable to inherent challenges in health care







## **Vaccines Program**

### **PAST**

### ADDRESSING THE URGENT DHS CLASS A THREAT AGENTS

- Early stage MCMs: Anthrax, Marburg Virus, Sudan Ebola Virus
- Late stage MCMs: Anthrax, Zaire Ebola Virus
- Licensed MCMs: Smallpox, Monkeypox, Anthrax, Zaire Ebola Virus
- Established baseline of preparedness

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### PRESENT

#### BUILDING ON PREPAREDNESS BASELINE

- Addressing VHF
- Improved sustainability: lyophilized formulations, flexible procurement strategies
- Enhanced operational performance special populations, boosting strategies, dose-sparing, stability



### **FUTURE**

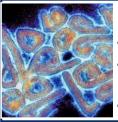
### NEXT PRIORITY THREATS + INNOVATING THE PIPELINES

- Maintain flexibility to target new threats when needed
- Emphasize technologies that are amenable to rapid progress from target ID to clinical studies
- Invest in technologies that will enable distributed manufacturing





## **Antivirals and Antitoxins Program**



### Filovirus: 2 licensed therapeutic mAbs

Advance MARV and SUDV mAbs to licensure

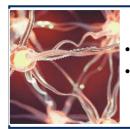
 Identify and develop two broad acting antivirals to reduce case fatality in severe infection and reduce persistent infection

• Support procurement of approved MCMs



### Smallpox: 2 licensed therapeutics

- Advance mAb smallpox antibody cocktail to serve as risk mitigation for resistance and for treatment of special populations
- Procure multiple formulations of two smallpox antivirals



### **Botulinum Neurotoxins: 1 licensed antitoxin**

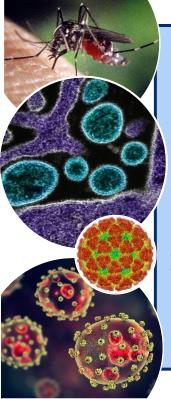
Develop next-gen mAb cocktail against multiple serotypes of BoNT Explore feasibility of host-directed MCM to reduce dependency on mAb cocktails



### Anthrax: 3 licensed antitoxin antibody products

- Support testing of mAb products to inform operational utility post-expiry
- Support maintenance of product licensure through support for PMR/PMCs

## **Planning for the Future:**



### Develop MCMs to prepare for future threats

Characterize and develop threatagnostic MCMs to treat symptoms and syndromes associated with infection

### Develop broad spectrum antivirals that have efficacy against multiple species within a family or multiple viral families





## **Antimicrobials Program**



 Reduce the morbidity and mortality caused by a biothreat or antimicrobial resistant (AMR) bacterial infection following a mass casualty event or a disease outbreak



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- » CDC urgent and serious threats
- » Hospital-associated and community-acquired drug-resistant infections (pneumonia, bloodstream infections)
- » Fungal infections
- » Biothreat pathogens
  - » (MDR) Bacillus anthracis
  - » Burkholderia pseudomallei
  - » Burkholderia mallei
  - » Francisella tularensis
  - » Yersinia pestis
- » Oral formulations
- » Underserved/special populations

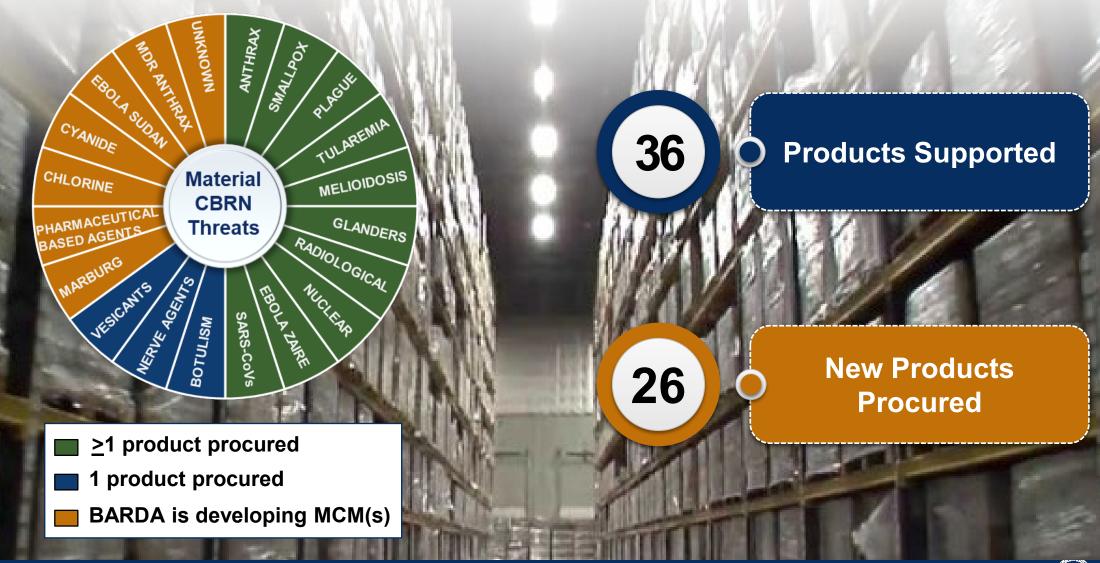


- » Circumvent existing mechanisms of resistance
- » Extend the useful lifespan of existing drugs
- » Reduce side effects by minimizing collateral damage
- » Enable more sustainable treatment approaches





## **Project BioShield: A Commitment**



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## **CBRN's 27 FDA Approvals, Licensures, and Clearances**







**Develop broad**spectrum antivirals with efficacy against multiple viruses

> **Develop MCMs to** detect and treat blast injuries

Invest in development of innovative antifungals



**Invest in flexible** technologies for vaccine manufacturing

**Improve MCM CONOPs** and sustainability



**Develop host-based** threat-agnostic **MCMs** 

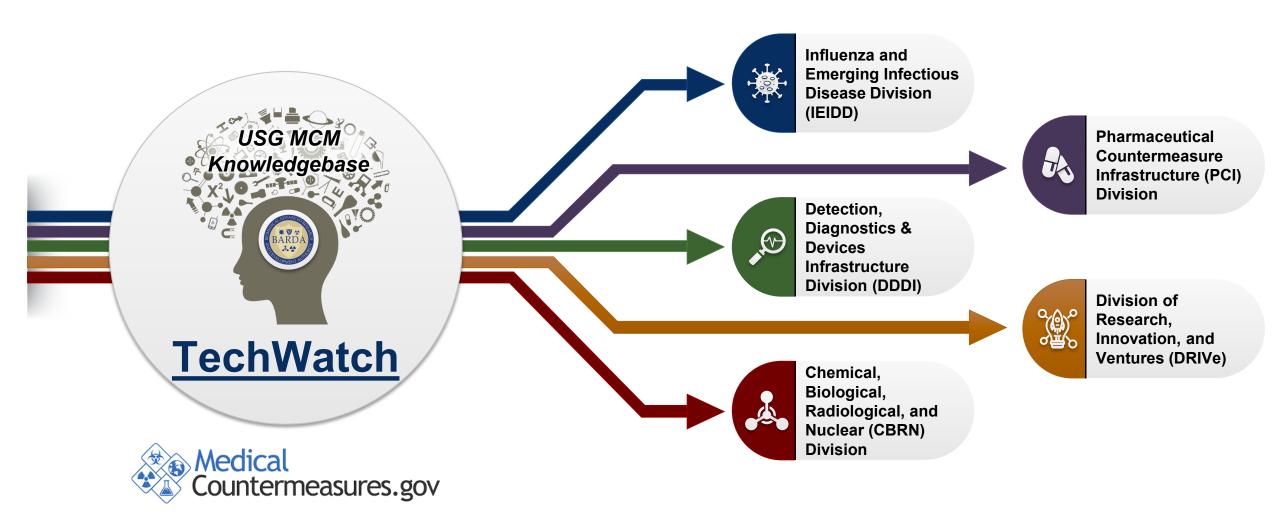








## **TechWatch**











medicalcountermeasures.gov Portal to BARDA: Register to request a TechWatch meeting!



<u>sam.gov/</u> Official announcements and info for all government contract solicitations



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PROGRAM MANAGEMENT PERSPECTIVE Life Sciences Positioning to Support BARDA Initiatives



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Federal Agencies Coordination Supporting MCM Development

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PHEMCE organizations and agencies work to optimize the Nation's preparedness for public health emergencies regarding the development, manufacturing, stockpiling, and administration of medical countermeasures.





## Administration Actions Informing BARDA Priorities



- Executive Order Advancing Biotechnology and Biomanufacturing Innovation
  - Bolster federal investment in key research and development areas of biotechnology and biomanufacturing
  - Improve and expand domestic biomanufacturing production capacity and processes
  - Biotechnology and biomanufacturing workforce training
  - Regulatory streamlining and clarification
- Public Health and National Emergency Declarations ending May 11



### FUNDING FY2023 Omnibus





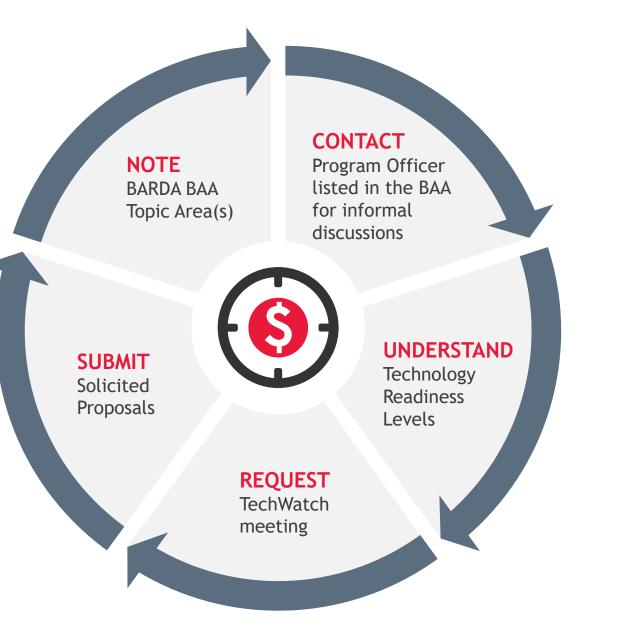
### BEST POSITIONING Alignment with Federal Priorities

- Assess relevant Broad Agency Announcement (BAA) Topic Area(s) of Interest
  - Eligibility
  - Area of Interest priorities/requirements
  - Technological Maturity
- Actively monitor updates/amendments, new initiatives, new partnerships
- Communicate your solution to the relevant Technical Point of Contact listed in BAA Area of Interest
  - Be clear about Technology Readiness Levels and where your technology is (is your technology too early?)
- Become familiar with the Acquisition Process
- Request a TechWatch meeting prior to any White Paper submission
- Submit solicited proposals





Best Practices for Engaging with BARDA





### **Too Early for BARDA Funding?**

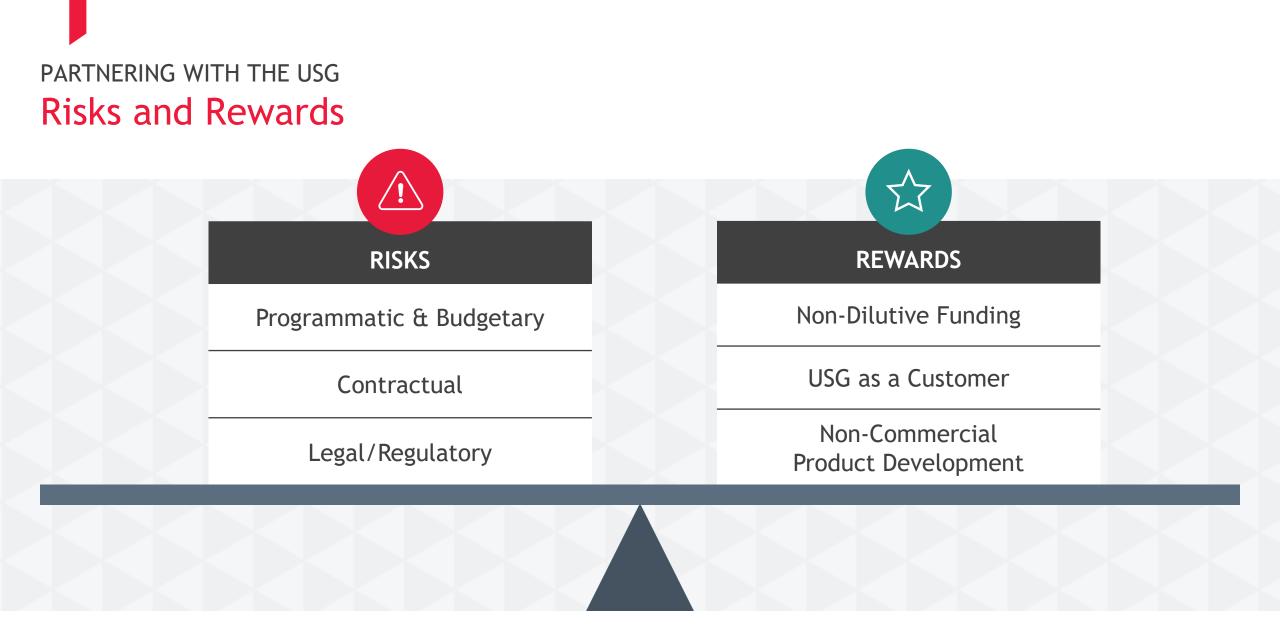
### FEDERAL PROGRAMS

- Congressionally Directed Medical Research Program (CDMRP)
- NIH SBIR Program LINK►
- 2023 NIAID Omnibus BAA: Biodefense & Emerging Pathogens LINK -
- Preclinical Services at National Institute for Allergy and Infectious Diseases LINK
- DOD Medical Technology Enterprise Consortium LINK -

Congressional Appropriations strategy to create a \$5-10 million pot of money to support R&D programs

Preparing Your Organization to Partner with the USG







Partnering with the USG Programmatic and Budgetary Considerations

### PROPOSAL → EXECUTION

- Scope alignment w/ USG need
- Timelines
- Cost/price

### PROJECT → PROGRAM MANAGEMENT

- Unique U.S. Government requirements
- Translation of internal program management methodologies to USG requirements







#### **PROJECT ACCOUNTING**

- Direct Costs
- Indirect Costs

PARTNERING WITH THE USG Accounting & Finance





## PARTNERING WITH THE USG HR, IT

#### COMPLIANCE WITH T&C'S REQUIRES INVESTMENT



### HR

- Employment reporting requirements
- Service Contract Act
- Davis Bacon Act

### IT

- Cybersecurity Maturity Model Certification (CMMC)
- NIST SP 800-171



# PARTNERING WITH THE USG

#### COMPLIANCE WITH T&C'S REQUIRES INVESTMENT



### Property Ownership Considerations

- Title vesting
- Disposition of equipment upon award completion
- Opportunities for alternative approaches



### Representations & Certifications

SAM.gov registration



### Government As a Long-term Customer

- Most Favored Customer Status
- DPA Rated Orders



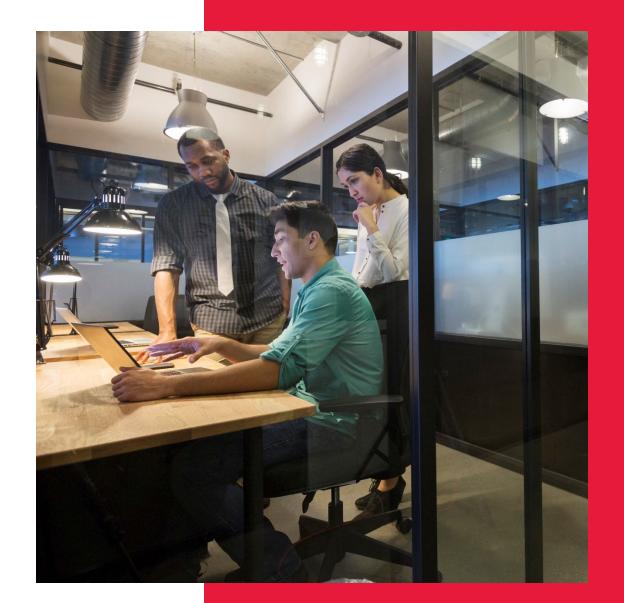
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# LEARNING OBJECTIVES Wrap-Up

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### **Questions?**



