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### The Status of NGS in PHLs Where We Are and Where We're Going



# **Next Generation Sequencing**

- Has the potential to significantly change how we generate and analyze data
- Applications in many areas of public health and agriculture laboratories
- Important to determine the status and needs of APHL member labs



APHL NGS Survey Where are we?

# **APHL Next Generation Sequencing Survey**

- Fielded on October 27, 2014 and officially closed on December 24, 2014
- 50 of 51 SPHLs responded (98%)
- 18 of 46 LPHLs responded (39%)
- Overall response rate 70%



### **PHLs with NGS Instruments - Currently**

21/50 **SPHLs with** Instruments



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## Plans to Purchase in Next 12 Months

9 of 29 SPHLs Plan to Purchase Instruments in 2015



# Potential NGS Landscape at the end of 2015 (30/50 SPHLs)



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# Reasons for Not Purchasing NGS Instrumentation in SPHLs

- 20 SPHLs with no plans to purchase
- Most common reasons cited:
  - No available funding (19)
  - Waiting for applications to be more fully developed (10)
  - Technology Too Expensive (9)
  - Insufficient staffing (8)



# **PHL NGS Applications: Current**

Foodborne Pathogens! (21/21)

And everything else:

- Mycobacteria (6)
- CRE/ KPC (5)
- Newborn Screening (3)
- HCV (2)
- Influenza (2)
- Other Respiratory Pathogens (2)



# **Bioinformatics**

Sources of Bioinformatics Expertise in PHLs (n=33)





# **Training Needs**

#### Training Needs in PHLs with Existing Instrumentation (n-21)





# NGS Gaps; Where to Go From Here

- Utility of NGS for foodborne pathogens well understood, but...
  - Concordance of NGS and epidemiological data still being studied
- Define applications and role of PHLs beyond foodborne pathogens
  - Need to engage stakeholders
- Transmission of NGS data
  - Define mechanism, funding, IT infrastructure, data storage
  - Establish data sharing agreements
- Training of PH laboratorians in NGS testing procedures, bioinformatics, and NGS data standards
  - highlighted as a critical need



AMD Roadmap Where are we going?

# **CDC's Advanced Molecular Detection Initiative**

- 5-year initiative with a goal of transforming disease detection and response through technological innovation
- Investment in projects to increase NGS and bioinformatics capacities
- Projects span multiple CDC labs and includes state and local partner laboratories



# CDC/APHL AMD Strategic Mapping Session – 2015

### Purpose

- Broadly outline future directions for engagement of public health system in AMD implementation
- Includes building capacity for NGSand bioinformatics in state and local public health jurisdictions
- Ensure integration into CDC's agency wide approach to AMD

### Organizations Represented

- State and Local PHLs, CDC, CSTE, and ASTHO

#### Outcomes

- Development of a strategic map



CDC/APHL Advanced Molecular Detection (AMD) Strategic Map Strategic Map: 2015-2017















#### **Conclusions/ Next Steps**

- Reinforce importance of AMD to policy makers
- Establish leadership structure
  - Ensure implementation of the strategic map
  - Representation from stakeholders
- PHL representatives will join CDC's "AMD State Working Group"
  - Provide state perspective on ongoing AMD projects
  - Identify high priority/ impact projects.



