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## **NACCHO Podcast**

### **How to Develop a Regional Public Health Response System for Disasters**

**Discussion with Shelly Schwedhelm, MSN, RN, NEA-BC  
Executive Director for Emergency Management & Biopreparedness  
Nebraska Medicine**

**Washington, DC, September 12, 2019** — The [National Association of County and City Health Officials](#) (NACCHO) is the voice of the nation's nearly 3,000 local health departments. In [this week's episode](#) of Podcast from Washington, Eli Briggs and Ian Goldstein discuss breaking news, as the Food and Drug Administration is finalizing plans to ban all flavored e-cigarette cartridges from the market in an effort to discourage youth vaping. They also discuss the cancellation of the markup for the Senate FY2020 Labor, Health & Human Services, (LHHS) Education appropriations bill.

Later in the program, in a nod to National Preparedness Month, Ian Goldstein sits down with [Michelle \(Shelly\) Schwedhelm](#), executive director for Emergency Management & Biopreparedness at Nebraska Medicine. They discuss developing a regional public health response system for disasters, as well as Shelly's role in the 2014 Ebola education training program at the University of Nebraska Medical Center. She also shares how local health departments can develop a structure that incorporates clinical systems with public health.

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### **About NACCHO**

The National Association of County and City Health Officials (NACCHO) represents the nation's nearly 3,000 local health departments. These city, county, metropolitan, district, and tribal departments work every day to protect and promote health and well-being for all people in their communities. For more information about NACCHO, please visit [www.naccho.org](http://www.naccho.org).