We review each web site before posting the guide. However, web sites can change after we review them. Please notify the teaching assistant if you find information that is different or inconsistent from the guide as we will immediately update the reading assignment. Thank you for your assistance and understanding.

Site Address: www.hhs.gov

1) Select About HHS from the blue box in the HHS home page. Read the About HHS page and click on the News section, read the titles of the recent press releases from HHS.

2) Click the HHS Programs and Services link on the top of the page and read about the programs and services.

3) Return to the About HHS page and click on the HHS Family of Agencies. Next, click on Operating Divisions. Read this page to get an idea of all agencies within the HHS.

4) Return to the About HHS page and click on Strategic Plan. Click and skim each of the Strategic Goals listed.

5) Return to the About HHS page and click on HHS Secretary. On the left hand side, click on Biography & Portrait and read about Secretary Burwell.

6) Click on the Leadership link in the About HHS page. Click on “Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response (ASPR).” Read Dr. Lurie’s biography page, then click here and visit the Public Health Emergency page. Read about the roles of the ASPR and various offices which are listed on the left hand side of the page, i.e. Office of Emergency Management and Chief Operating Officer.

7) Click on “Assistant Secretary for Health (ASH)” to read about the role of the ASH. Click on Public Health Offices on the left hand side of the page to read about the various offices that report to the Assistant Secretary.

For Exam #1, students should be prepared to answer the following questions:

a) What are the major types of programs of HHS?

b) In general, what are the roles of the major U.S. Public Health Service Agencies, such as the NIH, CDC?

c) What are the strategic goals of the Secretary of the HHS?

d) In general, what is the role of the Assistant Secretary for Health, as well as the offices that report to the Assistant Secretary?