

## **Jay C. Butler, MD**

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Research interests include vaccine-preventable diseases, antimicrobial drug resistance, emerging infectious diseases, microbial ecology, and emergency preparedness planning and response, and he has authored or co-authored over 100 journal articles and medical textbook chapters.

His varied background includes working as a physician for two months at a mission hospital in Kenya, leading the CDC field response to the initial hantavirus pulmonary syndrome outbreak in the US in 1993, and serving as the CDC liaison to FBI Headquarters during in the investigation of the anthrax attacks in the fall of 2001.

He was a team leader during the CDC responses to the SARS outbreak of 2003 and avian influenza in 2004. He participates in the Joint Terrorism Task Force at the FBI Anchorage Field Office, as well as the Antiterrorism Advisory Council of Alaska.

He is an officer in the US Public Health Service and is governor-elect of the Alaska chapter of the American College of Physicians. He enjoys fishing and Nordic skiing and lives in Anchorage.