Tick-Borne Disease Working Group Reports (2018 – 2020)

The Tick-Borne Disease Working Group (TBDWG) was established by the 21st Century Cures Act to improve federal coordination of efforts related to tick-borne diseases. The TBDWG’s purpose is to review federal activities and research related to all tick-borne diseases and provide a summary of its findings and any recommendations regarding changes or improvements to such findings to the HHS Secretary and Congress every two years.

To date:

- The first report was submitted to Congress in November 2018; the second report was submitted in January 2021, both authored by the TBDWG members.
- Subcommittee Reports were also written in 2018 and 2020, some coauthored by Working Group member and LDA President, Pat Smith.
  - Each subcommittee of the Working Group identified priorities and developed a report to the TBDWG that described current efforts, gaps in research, and potentials actions relevant to their topic.
- Topic development briefs were also developed by the first term Working Group

See HHS -TBDWG webpage for all of the reports or click below
2020 Subcommittee Reports:

2020 Alpha-Gal Syndrome Subcommittee Report to the Tick-Borne Disease Working Group

2020 Babesiosis and Tick-Borne Pathogens Report to the Tick-Borne Disease Working Group

2020 Clinical Aspects of Lyme Disease Report to the Tick-Borne Disease Working Group

2020 Ehrlichiosis and Anaplasmosis Subcommittee Report to the Tick-Borne Disease Working Group

2020 Pathogenesis and Pathophysiology of Lyme Disease Subcommittee Report to the Tick-Borne Disease Working Group

2020 Rickettsiosis Subcommittee Report to the Tick-Borne Disease Working Group

2020 Tick Biology, Ecology, and Control Subcommittee Report to the Tick-Borne Disease Working Group

2020 Training, Education, Access to Care, and Reimbursement Subcommittee Report to the Tick-Borne Disease Working Group

2018 Subcommittee Reports:

Report of the Access to Care Services and Support to Patients Subcommittee

Report of the Disease Vectors, Surveillance, and Prevention
Subcommittee

Report of the Other Tick-Borne Diseases and Co-Infections Subcommittee

Report of the Pathogenesis, Transmission and Treatment Subcommittee

Report of the Testing and Diagnostics Subcommittee

Report of the Vaccine and Therapeutics Subcommittee

2019 Topic Development Briefs

Increases in Tick-Borne Diseases

Diagnostic Tests for Tick-Borne Diseases

Persistent Symptoms of Lyme Disease