

Experts warn of health threats from climate change

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(HealthDay)—More heat waves, food shortages, and the rapid spread of some infectious diseases may occur in the future due to climate change, experts warned at the Climate & Health Meeting, held on Feb. 16 in Atlanta.

The meeting was organized to replace a U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention [climate change](#) conference that was canceled in January, ahead of President Donald Trump's inauguration, *CNN* reported.

Climate change will lead to an increase in life-threatening health issues, experts said at the meeting. For example, the World Health Organization says climate change is projected to cause an additional 250,000 deaths a year from heat stress, malnutrition, and the spread of [infectious diseases](#) like malaria, according to *CNN*.

Ninety-seven percent of scientists agree that climate change is real and largely the result of human-made pollution, *CNN* reported.

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