

# CDC: Meningitis outbreak death toll rises to 7

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(AP)—Health officials say the death toll in a rare fungal meningitis outbreak across several states has risen to seven.

In updated figures posted to its website Saturday, the [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention](#) says the outbreak has spread to more than 60 people across nine states. The latest cases have been confirmed in Minnesota and Ohio.

The outbreak has been linked a steroid produced by a specialty pharmacy in Massachusetts. The steroid has been recalled, and [health officials](#) have been scrambling to notify anyone who may have been injected with it.

The New England Compounding Center has said it is cooperating with health investigators to determine the source of the infections.

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