

Capitol Region Emergency Planning Committee
RESF-8 Health and Medical
November 4, 2015
Regional Coordination Center
Manchester, Connecticut

Members Present: **See attached attendance list**

The meeting was opened at 9:30 a.m. by David Kosciuk, chairman.
Those present introduced themselves.

Kathy Dean, Chair of the Behavioral Health Section reported on the following: On Monday, October 26th CT-DBHRN deployed 23 team members to Fairfield (12 team members deployed to Warde High School and 11 team members deployed to Ludlowe High School) in response to a request from the Fairfield School System Administration following several threats made against schools in the Fairfield School System on Friday, October 23rd. Parents/family members were invited to come to either of the high schools from 3 PM to 7 PM to discuss any concerns they might have for their children due to the nature of the events on Friday.

On Friday, October 30th, CT-DBHRN sponsored the Special Focus Training Event entitled: “Disaster Behavioral Health: Assisting People Exposed to Radiation”. Steve Moskowitz, Director, Bureau of Emergency Preparedness and Response for the State of New York Office of Mental Health, presented the curriculum developed in collaboration with the Institute for Disaster Mental Health at SUNY New Paltz . Over 160 CT-DBHRN team members from all over CT attended the training as well as guests from the DEMHS-DESPP Office of Radiological Emergency Preparedness.

Carmine Centrella, Program Director CR-MMRS reported on the following: December 10th Tetra Tech will be facilitating an Improvement Planning conference from the Region 3 AAR for Ebola Preparedness and Response activities covering October 2014 through March 2015., time 9:30 – 12:30 – location TBD.

December 11th The Region will be conducting an Initial Planning meeting for the Ebola/Infectious Disease Functional Exercise for March of 2016, time 9:30 – 12:30 – location TBD.

Tetra Tech will also be working with the Region to support exercise planning, conducting baseline assessments, and developing a Concept of Operations for Ebola/Infectious Disease deliverables for PHEP and HPP grants.

Planning continues to complete work plan for both PHEP and HPP contracts.

CREPC is sponsoring a Whole Community Planning course from BCFS Health and Human Services.
Registration link to follow.

Date: January 21, 2016

Time 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM location CREPC RCC Manchester, CT

Betty Morris reported the following for the EMS/CMED Section: EMS Provider Update - Meeting held in October. Presented – DPH Update, Local EMS Planning and CMED Overview. The feedback we

received is they would like to meet quarterly. One hot topic presentation and time for Providers to express concerns and issues.

Report included CMEDs participation in the Bradley International Triennial Drill. CMED is the activation point for LTC-MAP and participated in the September drill. CMED was on site with coordination communications at the Hartford Marathon. Ended with how well Marathon brought the Public Safety Partners together.

Vinny Desanti reported on the following for the Long Term Care Section: Region 3 exercise was conducted on September 24. There were real and virtual patient this year along with Assisted Living communities, more to follow after this month meeting.

Duty Officer Program is fully staff for the remainder of the year and we are actively soliciting for 2016.

Region 2 is fully on board now with 51 facilities joining LTC-MAP. On September 16 they performed a table top exercise and education. On November 12 they will have a functional exercise.

With Region 2 on board this makes all of Ct, RI, Mass and parts of NY all members of the LTC-Map.

Steve Hulleat reported on the following for the Public Health Section: Reminder of the Declared Public Health Emergency for Ebola Response is still in effect. This time of the year local health departments and districts are conducting flu clinics. CDC recommends people get a flu shot annually.

Reminder there will be a number of drill and exercises coming in this year. First and foremost will be the CTDPH FSE Mass dispensing exercise tentatively in April of 2016. Additionally there will be drill and exercises at the regional level pertaining to response to Ebola Virus Disease.

The first Region 3 MCM-ORR site visit and evaluation was conducted at the Farmington Valley Health District this week. (Melissa provided a report of the site visit).

Bob Falaguerra reported on the following for the Hospitals Section: There is concern over plain language codes. Hartford Health Care has migrated which will cause a problem. We need to explore if as a state if we all should. Will ask J. Best to put on agenda for next meeting

We need a coordinated effort to get a comprehensive accurate contact list for region. DPH and RCC should coordinate

Dave Koscuk discussed the fact that the Hartford Marathon Foundation has approached Region 3 ESF8 to coordinate an exercise for them in 2016. We will begin having those discussions with leadership to determine if we are interested.

The December ESF-8 Meeting will be replaced by the After Action Reporting activities.

Meeting Adjourned at 11:03 am

Submitted by,

Dave Koscuk

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Mary Rose Duboseck	CT DESPP / DEMHS
Vivian DeBardi	Sea View, Tenders LTC
Brenda Stratton	UConn Health
MATTIEAN BRATTLE	Windsor Health Opt.
Wendy Nis	Glastonbury Health
Rebecca Johnson	Amer. Red Cross
John Spencer	CT DPH DEHS
Betty Morris	CMED
Nancy Brunet	ECHW
Jim Tatoras	YNHHS
Bill Kramer	MDA 33, 35
Katie Young	CT DPH
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