

Minutes
DEMHS Region 3
R-ESF 8
Public Health Sub-Committee Meeting
October 6, 2017
West Hartford-Bloomfield Health District

Attendees: Charles Brown, Carmine Centrella, Jeffrey Catlett, Aimee Krauss, Jayden Dummitt, Wesley Bell, Janet Leonardi, Sara Darlagiannis, Corinne Rueb, Steve Huleatt, Jennifer Kertanis, Jon Hartenbaum, Ryan Crumbaker, Patrick Getler, Bill Turley, Janine Simms Colon, Rob Miller, Michael Pepe, Judye Torpey, Heather Oatis, Allyson Schulz, Melissa Marquis, Bill Kramer

- **Welcome and Introductions-** Melissa Marquis and Steve Huleatt welcomed the group to the Bloomfield Town Hall.
- **Approval of Minutes-** motion to approve by Bill Kramer and second by Patrick Getler. All in favor.
- **Regional Status Updates**
 - Training, Drills or Exercises- Carmine Centrella reported that the Westfarms Mall active shooter tabletop exercise was conducted last week. Well attended. Several LHDs either participated or were evaluators/observers.
 - CREPC Update- No update
 - Healthcare Coalition (HCC) meeting update- Carmine reported that ASPR developed a new capabilities assessment tool (CAT) due to be completed by January. Will be completed at the HCC level, not individual level. Aligns with the new ASPR HPP capabilities. More info to come.
 - Working on revising the regional distribution lists.
 - Reporting period extended to Nov. 15th. Waiting on template from DPH re: narrative.
- Hazard Vulnerability Assessment (HVA)- DPH wants individual facilities/departments to conduct the HVA within jurisdiction. Carmine will share the tool, instructions this weekend. Will also share the

regional HVA conducted several years ago. The new tool does not align exactly to the old tool, but may be of help in completing it. No initial timeline to complete- but by December the regional HVA should be completed.

- **State Updates**

- **DPH-** Corinne Rueb stated CDC released CRI guidance. Memo will be released from DPH with the guidance. Next steps and instructions on DCIPHR system use included. MCM ORR not scheduled yet.
 - DPH recruiting volunteers for radiologic emergencies. Flyer was shared. For more information on upcoming training and exercises, contact Bill Gerrish. Training will be in November 8 & 9 at Brainard Airport.
 - 50% ORR reviews in person. All MDAs required to complete self-assessment. Can begin adding info as soon as access to DCIPHR available.
- **DEMHS-** Bill Turley introduced Jon Hartenbaum as the new Region 3 planner. DPH and DEMHS working on relief plan for Puerto Rico.
 - CREC held meeting with Hartford agencies and departments to discuss possibility of opening a relief center within Hartford for evacuees. Additional meetings will be held in the near future. No decisions made at this point. More information will be shared as available.

- **Local Public Health Preparedness Contract**

- CDC Public Health Emergency Preparedness (PHEP) Cooperative Agreement – no new updates

- **Other Business-**

- **PPHR Presentation-** Melissa provided a presentation on Project Public Health Ready (PPHR), including a recap of CT history with PPHR and next steps as Region 3 prepares to undergo the application cycle this year. Next month- suggest having a workplan laid out for next month. Discussed the possibility of developing a strategic meeting/steering

committee of directors to determine time allotment for staff, etc. In the interim, LHDs are requested to review plans. ID best practices or plans that can be shared. Melissa will share the PPT following the meeting.

- **ITI- translation services presentation-** Marisol Reyes-Hernandez and Ron Powell provided a presentation on their interpretation and translation services that are available via contract. PPT will be shared with the group following the meeting.

Next meeting Nov. 3, 2017 Host Eastern Highlands Health District