

DEMHS Region 3
R-ESF 8 Public Health
June 2nd 2017
North Central District Health Department (NCDHD) Vernon Office
Public Health Sub-Committee Meeting Minutes

Attendees: Charles Motes, Charles Brown, Lauren Grandy, Jeff Catlett, Leonard Nelson, Jamie Simms, Francine Truglio, Patrice Sulik, Steve Huleatt, Ryan Crumbaker, Melissa Marquis, John Degnan, Betty Morris,

- **Welcome-** Steve Huleatt welcomed everyone to the ESF-8 Local Public Health Meeting at NCDHD Vernon Office.
- **Approval of Minutes-** Charles Motes voted to approve the minutes and Charlie Brown seconded. Minutes approved by all present ESF-8 LHD members.
- **Regional Status Updates-**
 - **Training, Drills or Exercises:** In new Healthcare Coalition Model expected that hospitals will be more actively seeking local public health participation with training and exercises.
 - **CREPC Update:** Healthcare Coalition will have 3 Public Health Representatives and 3 Hospital Representatives with Coordination agency as the staff member of the executive board with authority to make decisions in the absents of 6 other board representatives.
 - North Central CMED is surveying First Responder agencies (EMS, Fire, Police) for use of Narcan to gather data on amount and frequency that Narcan is being used in each town that is located to Region 3.
- **State Updates-**
 - **DPH:** No representative present from DPH.
 - CT DPH has submitted Public Health Emergency Preparedness and Hospital Preparedness Program application to CDC/ASPR. No final determination on acceptance. There was general conversation about the decision from DPH to consolidate HPP and PHEP funds to fund the regional healthcare coalitions. No word yet on contracts or potential local or regional deliverables.
 - **DEMHS:** No representative present. Freeze in hiring. Regional Coordinator position takes priority.
- **Local Public Health Preparedness Contract-**
 - **CDC Public Health Emergency Preparedness (PHEP) Cooperative Agreement Application update:**
 - Region 3 Healthcare Coalition will have 3 Public Health Representatives and 3 Hospital Representatives with Carmine as the staff member of the

executive board with authority to make decisions in the absence of 6 other board representatives.

- No contract for new 5 Year PHEP Budget period has not been sent out yet.
- All LHD / MDAs must perform full scale dispensing exercise for POD Site by 2020.
- Discussion about regional cooperation for POD Full Scale Exercise.

- Region 3 Family Assistance Center Plan Deliverable:
 - Recommended that Local Health Departments submit 1 paragraph response to CT DPH describing discussion that took place in Fall 2016 at monthly ESF-8 public health meeting regarding Regional Family Assistance Center Plan to submit for corresponding PHEP Grant deliverable.

- **Other Business-**
 - Resource Typing report out (Melissa Marquis):
 - AD HOC Work Group met for the first time after the May Monthly ESF-8 PH Meeting. Draft Resource Typing presented to Local Public Health Subcommittee.

 - Resource Types represent what personnel Local Health Departments have that can requested through the region by other Local Health Departments. Resources separated into four categories (Administration, Epidemiology, Environmental Health, Medical). Within these categories are job titles each with their own training, education, licensure, and job experience requirements.

 - Considerations for regional ESF-8 PH workplan for next year:
 - Refocus on Pandemic Influenza Planning in next 5 Year budget period

 - Discussion about looking at regional Point of Dispensing (POD) and Local Distribution Site (LDS) in the next 5 Year Budget Period.

 - CDC plans on issuing guidance on mass prophylaxis 60-day regiment for Local Health Departments. Planning templates for the entire Mass Dispensing Operation will also be included.