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Capitol Region Emergency Planning Council
RESF-8 Public Health & Medical Services
October 4, 2017
New Britain EMS Academy
New Britain, CT

Meeting convened at 9:30 AM by Carmine Centrella

Minutes of September 4, 2017 meeting had been distributed in advance of the meeting. A motion was made and seconded to accept the September minutes for filing.

Introductions of meeting attendees; (see list of attendees)

RESF-8 Section Reports:

Local Public Health -S. Huleatt, M. Marquis

Review of local public health activities in regard to hurricane evacuees coming into CT from the Caribbean and Islands, mainly Puerto Rico. Reminder that not only should immunizations be tracked but potential for Zika cases. R-3 ESF-8 presented on the Ebola FSE at the CT statewide ESF-8 meeting in September. Region 3 is beginning activities for NACCHO Project Public Health Ready which would be 3rd recognition for the Region.

Long Term Care – No report available; LTC conducting its regional Functional Exercise

EMS/CMED – M. Bova, B. Morris

Held first meeting in last year recently. Topics reviewed – EMS Taskforce and EMS Strike Team plans being reviewed for revisions. Collaborating with CT statewide committee for Integrated Mobile Health initiative. CMED continues to work on reviewing plans for revision.

Hospitals – R. Falaguera

Discussion regarding impact of CMS regulation changes. HVA requirements and Joint Commission requirements for exercising with community partners. Opportunity exists for better collaboration with RESF-8 partners for coordinated exercise planning/conduct. St Francis Hospital reported on upcoming evacuation exercise.

Behavioral Health – K. Dean

CT-DBRN is assisting with hurricane evacuee relief efforts, providing services as needed. CT-DBRN has deployed members in Texas. R-3 team members attended meeting/training for responses to opioid crisis. R-3 member participated in the Westfarms Mall table top exercise. CT-DBRN represents about 200 members depending on coordination efforts with local providers.

MRC – K. McCormack, J. Leonardi

Middletown MRC finalizing plans on MD standing orders for when activated for disasters or special events. Recent trainings include shelter operations and behavioral health issues during deployments.

Capitol Region MRC recent training for operational readiness issues and MRC Cabana unit logistics.

DEMHS – W. Turley

DEMHS R-3 office is at full staff with recent hire of new DEMHS planner for the Region. DEMHS is conducting school safety plans and community EOP class. New template being rolled out for local EOPs, communities should contact R-3 office if they have any questions. LHD should remain aware of local public health requirements within community EOP.

Reports given on:

Reg. 3 Coordinator participation in Westfarms Mall TTX

Annual DEMHS meetings with local EMDs – This years DEMHS EPPI will be a TTX at each of the local meetings

- Anticipated arrival of hurricane evacuees into CT
- Gov.'s office conducting weekly Unified Command calls
 - Regional relief center opening at former CREC site in Hartford on Van Dyke Ave starting Nov. 1st
 - Use of 211 as primary point to access relief information
 - Coordination of relief supplies in CT

Regional/MMRS/CREPC – C. Centrella

Reported on Westfarms Mall TTX, over 100 people attended the TTX, drafting of AAR/IP. CREPC By-Laws changes to reflect the Healthcare Coalition as a standing committee within CREPC, and the development of SOP's detailing how the HCC will operate as it pertains to budgets, and initiative management. All budget documents have been received back from the 26 HCC sub-contracts and submitted to CT-DPH. HCC Steering Committee working on SOPs. Review of HVA requirements from each of the sub-contracts. All HCC sub-contractors should have received or will receive this week, all documents for workplan, and deliverables for PHEP and HPP sub contracts. Discussion as to timelines for document submittal aimed at Nov. 15th and Nov. 30th.

DPH – W. Gerrish, J. Bruckmayer

Review of HVA and intent of document. No 0's should be used on document leave lines blank if uncertain as to best answer. DPH has begun flu surveillance activities with nothing out of the ordinary to report at this time. Reviewed all HCC documents that have been distributed to HCC fiscal agents and sub contracts. Review of MCI trailer issues, trailers needing to be inventoried and updated. Recent changes in OEMS, test revisions for EMT licenses.

Respectfully submitted



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