

Minutes
DEMHS Region 3
R-ESF 8
Public Health Sub-Committee Meeting
April 10, 2015
New Britain Health Dept. (NBEMS Academy)

Attendees: Michael Caronna, Mary Rose Duberek, Francine Truglio, Aimee Eberly, John Degan, Marge Seiferheld, Judy Torpey, Tom Gavaghan, Maryann C. Lexius, William Kramer, Steve Huleatt, Dave Koscutk, Janet Leonardi, Melissa Marquis

Abbreviated agenda due to working session for ORR

- Welcome- Melissa welcome everyone to New Britain and thanked them for hosting.
- Approval of Minutes- Francine Truglio motioned to approve the minutes and John Degan seconded. All in favor.
- Regional Status Updates
 - Carmine Centrella emailed the following regional status report:
 - “The Hartford Area UASI was not recognized again this year for continued UASI funding.
 - I met with representatives from the Emergency Services Coalition for Medical Preparedness and the MMRs National Leadership Group in NYC to discuss an alliance of 3 national coalitions to address medical preparedness initiatives and capability alignment for ASPR, CDC, FEMA and DOT/NHTSA. There is an open comment period for the National Preparedness Goal and the assembled representatives want to be part of the discussion in how best to align capabilities, performance measures and grant opportunities.
 - I am working on the drafting of the regional After Action Report for Ebola activities.”
- State Updates
 - DPH- Not represented
 - DEMHS
 - Tom Gavaghan reported the following items
 - Tom is member of infra guard. They will be having a half day workshop targeting healthcare and hospitals on active shooter exercise. Will send invite- registration is limited April 23rd in Southington. \$10 registration.
 - Long Term Care Mutual Aid Plan (LTCMAP) conference May 6th.
 - Emergency Management Symposium May 7th.

- EPPi gov. Exercise in October- date TBD, planning has not started yet.
 - School emergency planning still ongoing. Plans due July 1.
 - Regional coordinators sent out email to EMDs regarding current local emergency operations plan (LEOP) layout, etc. may develop some job aids to assist in more operational activities. Each region soliciting 2 EMDs to participate in workgroup to help revise.
 - Mary Rose working on radiologic plans to incorporate elements into the LEOP.
- Local Public Health Preparedness Contract
 - Local contract updates- Steve Huleatt and Dave Kosciuk had a meeting (call) with DPH regarding the funding allocation and concurrence discussion with RESF-8 chairs.
 - Originally said per capita funding allocation last year. Was pushed forward and said it would happen this year. Letter on no concurrence was issued last year for the first time. This year, DPH has been having conversations with RESF-8 chairs instead of local health.
 - Proposal this year by CADH- per capita based on additional variables. No final communication was shared with DPH, so DPH shared original per capita formula. Regionally, there is not a huge disparity. However locally, there are significant concerns for either no money or significantly less. Steve reported on the estimated numbers based on DPH proposal. The other proposal is for each regional ESF-8 to receive the funding and determine allocation amongst the regions.
 - The conversations were circular. No decisions made. The regional idea did not come out as the winning option. Region 5 wants it.
 - End of call- letters will go to every LHD asking for concurrence for per capita. OLHA call will have this on the agenda next week.
- Other local updates- Manchester working on volunteers in sheltering. Working with engaging Faith based organizations (FBOs). Melissa suggested engaging with Gloria Stokes, the regional ESF-20 group.
- Other Business- MCM ORR Working session (see below)

MCM ORR Working Session Agenda

- Melissa shared printed copies of all the exercise requirements in the ORR (with the exception of quarterly drills). Suggest that these elements be considered as we begin planning for the 2016 DPH FSE on dispensing.
- Melissa shared electronically the Philadelphia Health Dept. long term dispensing plan and exercise report as examples for beginning our long term dispensing planning. It is evident there will be extensive work needed to fully develop these plans.

- Should we consider pulling together an ad hoc working group to begin fleshing this out? More information needs to come out regarding funding before decisions are made.
- Review Capabilities 8 and 9
 - Please see attached document for details...
- Next steps for long term dispensing planning...
 - Need more research before we begin meeting
 - Identify what the priority areas are
 - What are the compliance and obligation requirements to have this?
 - Obtain CDC's plans

Next Meeting June 5, 2015, hosted by BBHD