

Minutes
DEMHS Region 3
R-ESF 8
Public Health Sub-Committee Meeting
May 1, 2015
Wethersfield PD

Attendees: Jeffrey Catlett, Charles Brown, Bill Kramer, Michael Caronna, Michael Pepe, Tom Gavaghan, Mary Rose Duberek, Marge Seiferheld, Jennifer Kertanis, Dave Kosciuk, Carmine Centrella, Steve Huleatt, Allyson Schulz, Rob Miller, Janet Leonardi, and Melissa Marquis.

Abbreviated agenda due to working session for ORR

- **Welcome-** Melissa Marquis and Steve Huleatt welcomed everyone to the May ESF-8 meeting and thanked Charles Brown for hosting.
- **Approval of Minutes-** Marge Seiferheld motioned and Bill Kramer seconded the motion to approve the April ESF-8 PH minutes. All in favor.
- **Regional Status Updates**
 - **Funding updates:** Carmine Centrella stated he and Steve Huleatt went to the Public Health Preparedness Advisory Committee (PHPAC) meeting last week. There is substantial Ebola/ infectious disease money coming into the region. This is aside from the regional \$30k and \$184k for Ebola Response. Region 3 will receive \$218k based on per capita per region, for disease continuity and infectious disease. The region is the fiduciary. Total is approximately \$400k. The \$184k project is approved. The \$218k project was submitted. Contract and deliverables may come out in June sometime. This is one shot deal- 1 year performance contract. The \$400k ultimately is to establish a functioning healthcare coalition. The funding streams are from Public Health Emergency Preparedness (PHEP) and Hospital Preparedness Program (HPP). Not sure what we can purchase with this money yet. The \$30k grant period was extended by a year.
 - **MMRS-** working on capability alignments from federal perspective. Looking at core capabilities, PHEP, HPP- and healthcare coalition capabilities.
 - No **CRCOG/ CREPC** updates. Working on Ebola AAR. Will be predominantly HPP capability based and any relevant PHEP capabilities will be described.
 - Strategic planning from HCC will be pushed off till the fall due to \$30k not here yet.
 - According to Jon Best, the statewide FSE will still happen in 2016. No planning meetings yet- dates scheduled but not shared. Carmine shared that April 2016- the exercise will be a 5 day process, with RSS, LDS, dispensing, modalities all being tested. Anticipates 1 closed POD and 1 open POD per region being exercised.

- **State Updates**
 - DPH- no representatives
 - DEMHS- Tom Gavaghan reported the following:
 - Workshop in Southington for people with disabilities and elderly- Stephen Thal will be guest speaker.
 - LTCMAP event next week and the Emergency Management symposium next Thursday.
 - Manchester conducting faith based meeting on May 19th.
 - Host community exercise on May 28th (rehearsal) in New Haven- SCSU. FEMA will be evaluating on June 25th.
 - Tom shared the CDP calendar of events.

- **Local Public Health Preparedness Contract-**
 - Local PHEP contract: conversations around how funding will come in and how deliverables need to be completed for health districts that are in multiple regions. No answers regarding this.
 - Steve stated during the process of discussions amongst ESF-8 chairs, they could not vote on concurrence. They remained silent.

- **Other Business-** MCM ORR Working session (see attached notes)

MCM ORR Working Session Agenda

- Review Capabilities 14 and 15
- ID focus areas for capabilities in ORR
 - Questions, concerns, gaps?
- ID missing elements in plans
- Overview of best practices from local and regional ORR reviews
 - What can be replicated for LHDs?
 - i.e.) Executive summary?
- Next steps

Next meeting June 5, 2015 hosted by BBHD