Minutes - DEMHS Region 3, R-ESF 8 Public Health Sub-Committee Meeting

June 8, 2018, BBHD Bristol CT.

Attendees – Chuck Motes, Ann Hartman, Melissa Marquis, Janine Simms Colon, Allyson Schulz, Derek May, Betty Morris, Patrick Getler, Heather Oatis, Patrice Sulik, Carmine Centrella, Phyllis Amodio, Don Mitchell, Kate Novick, Steve Huleatt, Stacy Durante

Welcome: Melissa Marquis called meeting to order at 9:30 am

- Melissa – Recognized Chuck Motes retirement in July and thanked him for all his years of service

Approval of minutes – minutes from last meeting had been distributed in advance of the meeting.

- Motion by Chuck Motes, seconded by Ann Hartman to approve the minutes from the last meeting
- All in Favor. Motion Carried.

State Updates:

- No DPH or DEMHS representatives present.
- Statewide healthcare coalition meeting last week if participated it met deliverable for DPH.

Regional Status Updates:

- Regarding location of regional minutes: Melissa stated that both the RESF-8 Public Health and Healthcare Coalition (HCC) minutes reside on CRCOG website: http://crcog.org/public-safetyhomeland-security/crepc/resf-8/
- There was a request from the group to share the DPH generated electronic word version of the HAN Quarterly Report form to use for deliverables. Melissa will share this file with the group.

CREPC:

- Carmine Centrella – June 30th deadline to submit local health deliverables to CRCOG
- EPPI Exercise June 16 and June 20 some local health departments participating
- Working on Healthcare Coalition Preparedness Plan. Plan describes Hazard Vulnerability Analysis conducted by Yale and includes top 20 risks: cyber-attack top risk for occurrence in CT, naturally occurring weather events most likely disaster scenario. Plan will include planning, training and exercising items related to HVA results.
- HCC plan – Carmine will ask for input to plan, looking into “link to your contract” software program.

Healthcare Coalition:

- At risk population’s project, is one of our deliverables, four-phase approach to this project including survey for local health to have list of at risk populations. Steve Huleatt noted DPH supports this project
- Carmine noted he will email committee scope of project and send survey so that local health can forward to Emergency managers, Fire etc...

Other business:

- MDA Plan - Steve Huleatt – working with FVHD for regional POD response, historically DPH did not approve. Plans in both districts identical except for POD location site. Practice POD as part of Flu vaccine clinic, using staff from both districts. Steve noted it does not state in MDA that you need to test within your district. Exercising jointly would be good already have mutual aid agreements.
- Melissa noted that the CDC 15 capabilities / national public health preparedness standards tasks are being clarified with better direction, more “all hazards approach”
- Kate Novick – suggested letter listing all the reasons why we should do more joint regional exercises and share plans
- Stacy Durante – discussed opioid overdoses information sent to Poison Control within 2 hours of incident/pilot program, if goes well will have a statewide rollout. She attended EMS Pro Conference at Mohegan Sun.
PPHR Update:

- Submitted PPHR application in May to DPH and received feedback, corrective actions are needed. She may reach out to ad hoc workgroups to help with completion and resubmission in August.

Meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

Next meeting September 7, 2018 Host NCDHD- Vernon Office