

Minutes
DEMHS Region 3
R-ESF 8
Public Health Sub-Committee Meeting
October 5, 2018
West Hartford-Bloomfield Health District- Bloomfield Town Hall

Attendees: Jeff Catlett, Carmine Centrella, Marge Seiferheld, Corinne Rueb, Stephanie McGuire (DPH), Jon Hartenbaum, Steve Huleatt, Rob Miller, Francine Truglio, Patrice Sulik, Janine Simms Colon, Johnathan Butler, Allyson Schulz, Janet Leonardi, Ann Hartman, Patrick Getler, Marco Palmeri, Wendy Mis, Melissa Marquis

- **Welcome-** Melissa Marquis and Steve Huleatt welcomed the group to the Bloomfield Town Hall.
- **Approval of Minutes-** Francine Truglio name needs to be added to the minutes from last month. Ann Hartman motion to approve with addition of Francine, Francine seconds approval. All in favor.
- **State Updates**
 - **DEMHS-** Jon Hartenbaum- relative to recent storms, there may be damage assessment forms submitted to affected towns.
 - School safety plans are due to DEMHS on Nov. 1st. Schools should be sharing with LHDs for sign-off. Contact to local EMDs if you have not seen the plans.
 - Norwich Host Community exercise Nov. 3rd.
 - Nuclear power plant exercise Nov. 17th. Contact Jon if interested in observing.
 - **DPH-** two MCM ORR reviews completed so far- Manchester/Glastonbury and Naugatuck Valley done. Middletown and Chesprocott coming up soon. Corinne Rueb announced a new staff person- Stephanie McGuire will be working with the preparedness team.
- **Regional Status Updates**
 - **CREPC/ Healthcare Coalition (HCC)**

- Steering committee in place for the HCC. Hospital, PH, EMS, EMD, and 1 at-large member (7 positions). Accepting nominations from the committee members for the steering committee.
- HCC has to return unspent funds to DPH from last year. HCC is putting in place a process to use unspent funds to help fund regional HCC projects. Budget revisions may need to be made- if a local health department/district determines they will have unspent funds- contact Carmine Centrella ASAP.
- Workgroups will be divided up to work on specific project deliverables, such as the preparedness/response plan. More details will be shared at the next HCC meeting.
- Full scale exercise conversation that occurred last year- is still an ongoing conversation of the shift from pill dispensing to vaccination. A new 5-year cooperative agreement starts 2019-2020. That contract will likely reflect this new change to vaccination-based planning and exercising rather than pill dispensing. Uncertain what CRCOG role is in mandating deliverable completion. There is a steering committee meeting next week that will address this concern.
- CRCOG entered into contract with TetraTech to survey local service providers about meeting needs of at-risk populations. Summary report draft will be shared soon. Data obtained will drive further conversations about developing guidance or template for local communities to further advance local work. A workshop in April will share this guidance document.
- Town of Ellington is having an MCI full-scale exercise Oct. 14th that CRCOG is supporting.
- Stamford is holding an active shooter exercise. If interested in observing- contact Carmine.

- Financial reports include approved budget. CRCOG is not front-loading funds as previously done. Submit financial report for total amount and you will be reimbursed for that amount.
 - Region 3 PHERP portfolio loaded on CRCOG website- document contains all the regional-based preparedness and response plans. This portfolio includes live links that reference regional plans. Need adobe reader at a minimum to open and access the documents. <http://crcog.org/public-safetyhomeland-security/crepc/resf-8/>
 - **Public Health Emergency Preparedness (PHEP) Contract**
 - Subcontractors have received the subcontracts via OneDrive (cloud- based service). Download forms and sign contract and upload back to OneDrive. Progress and financial reports due Oct. 15th for quarter 1.
- **Local Drills and Exercises**
 - CCHD FSE Oct. 13th 9-12pm POD location as flu clinic at Newington High School.
- **Other Business-**
 - PAHPRA (Pandemic and All-Hazards Preparedness and Response Reauthorization) and related funding approved at the national level. This continues our state HPP and PHEP funding.
 - Steve mentioned the old CADH Health Equity Index program looks to be reinvigorated. If so, the data will be available and can assist in local at-risk population planning.
 - Melissa suggests we continue discussing the multi-year training and exercise plan (MYTEP) and workforce development plan regionally.
 - Citizen corps holding all day training Sat. Nov. 3rd- open to all CERT/MRC. Some modules include POD training. If interested contact Katherine McCormack.

Next meeting Dec.7, 2018 Host CRCOG