

Region 3 ESF-8 Meeting

Central Ct Health District

5/3/2019

Attendees: Jeff Catlett, Melissa Marquis, Michael Pepe, Sue Jacozzi, Marge Seiferheld, Derek May, Janet Leonardi, Sara Darlagiannis, Kevin Elak, Sal Nesci, Amy Scholz, Wendy Mis, Ryan McCammon, Patrick Getler, Steve Huleatt, Johnathan Butler, Charles Brown.

Welcome and introductions done – Charles Brown welcomed group to CCHD.

Motion to approve April minutes - Michael Pepe motion to approve minutes, Charlie seconded, All in favor.

R3 Regional Status Updates

Concurrence letters were all compiled

Training, drills, ect - functional needs workshop is May 21 at the Chrysalis Center in Hartford from 830am-2pm by Tetra Tech – This training is useful to assist in satisfying deliverables.

Workshop will come with read ahead materials.

Will be linked to storm with shelter use, discussion questions on Public Health components will be included.

Coalition Surge Test (CST) update from Steve Huleatt – No regional calls to play in the CST. Description of CST was given by Steve, R3 performs well do to its forward movement of patient plans. Discussions will be taken up in the future to determine how this change when Mass Dispensing Areas (MDAs) move to a regional plan. Also, future discussions with the Healthcare Coalition (HCC) will be to determine which hospital will do what in the future.

Janet Leonardi added Carmine Centrella's comments from HCC meeting on the CST – executive oversight mentioned by carmine was brought up. Having no checklists led to some command staff not completing all tasks.

New drills – Middletown – all set on evaluators June 10th-11th help in POD Drill. Middletown and Cromwell PODs will be opening. Open to all staff to fill open positions. Janet thanked Carmine for reviewing of Incident Action Plan (IAP) for upcoming drill.

Patrick Getler - NCDHD is willing to share the Incident Action Plan from NCDHD's recent POD Facility Set Up Drill in April to assist with Incident Action Plan development if needed.

Derek May - Eastern Highlands HD is conducting a KI distribution rehearsal is May 23rd FSE is June 13th. Millstone event.

Kevin Elak – Middletown HD is doing FSE in June.

Steve – keeping eye on measles and the community. Discussion of recent incidents.

CREPC updates - Funding distro is out with anticipated language for local contracts

Contracts are anticipated to be delivered next few weeks. They will then be signed and sent in. CRCOGs readiness to authorize contract is in place for speedy delivery. There is still some clarification needed on lines of communication as well as some uses of “shall” need to be clarified. Region 3 is making all attempts to ensure it does things correctly in year one to ensure a smooth five-year

plan.

Melissa Marquis – provided an update on expanded ORR tool workgroup news - current ORR language is ending next year and beginning in 2020 the new rollout will cover all 15 capabilities. New focus will be an all hazards approach, less MCM focus. Moving to vaccination planning. CDC wants a one size fits all solution for external reporting programs. It will be an assessment and reporting tool incorporating all of public health. It is expected that the expanded ORR will be 2 to 2.5 times the size of the current ORR in terms of number of questions; however not all questions are relevant to the local health departments. In addition, CDC has confirmed that there will be reciprocity given to some of the planning elements for jurisdictions who are currently recognized for Project Public Health Ready (PPHR). These details are not fully fleshed out at this time; however, it does seem plausible that Region 3 will receive some reciprocity on future ORR reviews. PPHR recognition may assist in planning and ORR completion. New questions will be pan flu based. Still many unknowns, CDC is working to understand the impact to locals while ensuring they obtain the correct assessment data. The level of burden will be extreme at least for the first-year jurisdictions compile the information for the ORR. More details will come as the tool is not finalized yet.

Steve shared a few documents regarding the '19-'20 local PHEP contract, including per capita allocation for each LHD. He stressed that the region must stay flexible. Request for Cromwell to be with Middletown is reflected in these numbers. Per capita rates are based on income tax filings. Shifts have been quite small. Numbers are all approximate but are not likely to shift much.

The other document shared included anticipated language for LHDs. There were a number of questions communicated to DPH, and many remain unanswered at this time. Steve asked the group if there were any additional questions that they wanted shared:

Questions - Melissa 2, A “collaborate with CRI, April, 1, 2021, is confusing.” We will get further clarification from CDC and DPH in the future. Item 3 and 4 what is the definition of “participate”?

Kevin Middletown - question about funding that will be directed to Carmine. Middlefield switching to Southington was a question.

Amy Southington - Does it also include Middlefield?

If you have any questions, please ask Steve- documents are still in a working form.

If you are not going to spend money, please let Carmine know so we can use it for regional purposes.

Other business

Melissa – Quarter 4 MCM Action Plan meeting will be on June 7th at 9:30am in the Manchester EOC before the ESF-8 meeting.

Next meeting June 7, 2019 at Manchester RCC