

North Central Wisconsin-Healthcare Emergency Readiness Coalition (NCW-HERC)

Region 2 Local Health Department Meeting

Friday, September 14, 2018

9:30 – 12:00 PM

Meeting Notes

Attendees: Shelley Hersil, Joan Theurer, Becky Mroczenski, Robbie Deede, Rebecca Lohagen, Marta Koelling, Lori Kawleski, Michelle Edwards, Chelsea Onchuck, Tammi Boers, Sue Kunferman, Patty Krug, Gina Egan, Bob Leischow (phone), Dave Poupart, Leanne Valliere, Katie Hampson (phone), James Lane, Holly Denton,

Agenda Item	Notes
Welcome, Introductions and Agenda Overview	Added POD discussion and MF Clinic Lab Reporting
DHS Preparedness Updates	DHS representatives were unable to attend due to the flooding issues. Fifth declaration for flooding in three years. CST exercise will be less hospital-focused. More involvement from receiving hospitals as well. Aspirus Wausau Hospital will simulate evacuation of 154 patients the second Wednesday in March. PHEP contract addendums are posted.
Review of Mass Fatality and Family Assistance Center Plans - Confirm roles for 9/18 exercise	Exercise is 1-4pm on the 18 th . JSI will be in Oneida County. Two DHS staff will participate (one in Portage Co and one in Wood Co). Northeast Mass Fatality Plan should be reviewed. Family Assistance Center Plan will also be referenced, particularly starting at Appendix A. DHS WI Mass Fatality Plan is another good document to reference.
Coalition Updates - Upcoming Trainings / Exercises - Sector Updates - WebEOC / WI-TRAC - Expanding the MCI go-bag project into schools - Opportunities to collaborate to increase local and regional capacity - ESF 8 – How could we work toward consistency across counties? - Closed PODs - Marshfield Clinic Lab Reporting of Category 1	<p><u>Training/Exercises</u> – As Robbie becomes aware of trainings, he posts them to the HERC website (http://www.ncw-herc.org/eventscalendar/). DHS is working on a statewide preparedness conference in January in WI Dells. A COOP workshop will be held the second Wednesday in February. A Pediatrics in Disaster conference will be held in Marshfield in 2019.</p> <p><u>Sector Updates</u> – Hospitals, CMS, etc.: DQA, JC and DNR were all doing inspections in our region recently; most hospitals undergoing renovations; CMS partners invited to join our HERC board (2 seats). EM: grantwriting, dealing with flooding. Trauma: conference planning underway.</p> <p><u>WebEOC/WITrac</u> – We can contact our EM or the state WEM office for a WebEOC account. Trainings are available on the WI training portal. EM Resource (WITrac) is available for us as well and we should have an account. This will allow for quick notification of us in the event of a MCI or other large event. Looking at an in person training for this.</p> <p><u>MCI Go-Bags</u> – 31 bags distributed to each EM and 16 to each hospital in our region. Another region is working on developing pediatric kits. We discussed an educational campaign for schools, which have access to grant funding for school safety initiatives. Looking at having a MCW medical student develop the campaign and sample go bags that schools could then purchase. Robbie will reach out to the DPI school nurse consultant and Good Samaritan.</p> <p><u>Regional Collaboration</u> – Discussed the email received from Polk County offering to provide consortium services in our region for a fee. We have had discussions about how we would prefer to keep our resources within our region if able. Agencies discussed whether a collaborative is something they would be interested in investing in. Those agencies who are not interested expressed concern about not developing internal capacity to respond when something happens. Also discussed the benefits of the small group work that we have been doing. Consensus was that we should continue to work collaboratively as we are and there are many resources available on</p>

	<p>the PCA portal. Perhaps we could keep an open mind and contribute toward special projects as they arise.</p> <p><u>ESF 8</u> – Joan discussed Marathon County’s ESF 8 updates and sections added. The majority of our regional agencies are still operating under annexes vs. ESFs. The question raised is whether we can develop some uniform expectations about public health’s role whether it’s ESF 8 or Annex H. Discussed sending a survey to determine what our current roles are in each jurisdiction, with the goal being to move toward uniformity. Joan will work on a qualtrics survey.</p> <p><u>Closed PODs</u> – Most identified PODs in our region are open PODs. Robbie discussed how we can decrease the throughput of our open PODs by having hospital systems run closed PODs to provide prophylaxis to employees and families. Hospitals will fall under the PREP Act protections against liability. There are template MOUs for businesses and for healthcare providers on the PCA portal (Robbie will get details out). Robbie will also send us the contact person for each health system.</p> <p><u>MF Clinic Lab Category 1 Reporting</u> – With recent changes, category 1 conditions are to be called in to LHDs. Becky (Marathon Co) talked with MF lab because reports continue to come via fax. MF is concerned that each LHD has a different on-call process. We are encouraged to look at our own systems to assure we respond promptly after hours. Becky will reconnect with Karen with MF Labs to let her know we discussed the issue, would like to continue to receive the fax in addition to one attempt for them to reach us via phone.</p>
Update on Region 2 MOU	Joan received feedback on the MOU. There were suggestions to use the word “trigger” vs. “incident”. We understand that triggers will be different for different agencies. Joan suggested leaving the MOU as-is since people were comfortable with it.
Next Meeting / Roundtable	Chelsea, Becky and Robbie are working on a template functional needs plan. Next Meeting: Joan will do a Doodle poll looking at the 3 rd or 4 th week in January.