

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

Meeting Notes

Region 2 Local Health Department Meeting

Friday, June 8, 2018

9:30 – 12:00 PM

Attendees: Kristin Bath, Shelley Hersil, Robbie Deede, Rebecca Lohagen, Marta Koelling, Michelle Edwards, Chelsea Onchuck, Tammi Boers, Gina Egan, Joe Cordova, Maggie Thelen, Patty Krug, Lori Kawleski, Bob Leischow, Karen Wethal, Rebecca Rosandick, Mindy Burns, Stephanie Thiede, Sue Kunferman, Joan Theurer, Becky Mrozcenski
 Phone – Gary Garske, Katie Hampston, Jill Kruger

Agenda Item	Lead	Notes
Welcome, Introductions and Agenda Overview	Joan Theurer/ Sue Kunferman	Introductions completed. Reviewed agenda. No changes/additions.
DHS Preparedness Updates	Joe Cordova and Maggie Thelen	Maggie – Information Systems and Alerting Coordinator, DHS, introduced herself. <u>Funding</u> – Congress provided a bump of \$8 million nationwide to PHEP. Wisconsin’s share is \$126,000 more. Joe discussed potential uses of the funds; no decisions made yet. DHS will be looking for more detailed information on how PHEP funds are spent; a story format of how the dollars helped the county/community become more prepared or close some gaps. Essentially, if you can tie spending to an exercise or to closing a gap, it is an allowable expense; Joe is available to answer specific spending questions. General discussion among the group regarding thoughts on the additional funding some expressed support pooling these dollars if provided the opportunity, with many desiring additional information. <u>WEAVR</u> – Quarterly drills no longer mandatory. Considering allowing every administrator to see all WEAVR registrants or those in the region as opposed to only seeing those in the jurisdiction.
Communicable Disease Funding Update	Joan Theurer/All	Discussion regarding communicable disease funding and how agencies are using it. Uses include things like: rapid hepatitis C testing in jail, CD tracking and data use, permanent needle drop box sites, training, TB education/outreach/testing, risk reduction education for providers, vaccine freezer, water lab equipment, laptops so follow up can be done in the field, lyme outreach/education, pertussis outbreak, vaccine refrigerator, Emery Epi course, technology for virtual DOT, Red Books, Fight the Bite training and kits, fit testing equipment.
Coalition Updates - Recap of Coalition Surge Test / Public Health’s Role in Medical Surge	Robbie Deede Joan Theurer Sue Kunferman	<u>CST</u> – Robbie provided an update on the Coalition Surge Test, including performance measures, strengths, and opportunities for improvement. Also discussed the coalition role moving forward – facilitate collaboration through training and exercise, promoting membership, developing regional plans, identify best practices, identify and procure resources needed in the region.

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Recap of Infectious Disease Tabletop Exercise - Operationalize FAC Plans - Upcoming Trainings / Exercises - Engaging Other Sectors (CMS Rule) - Opportunities for Shared Surveillance and Regional Syndromic Surveillance - Sector Updates - Coalition Sustainability - WebEOC / WI-TRAC LHD Status 		<p><u>HERC Overview</u> – Robbie also provided a general overview of the NCW-HERC, including mission, vision, and objectives.</p> <p><u>Go bags</u> are being developed to be pre-staged at large gatherings. There are 10 tourniquets, 10 impregnated coagulating bandages, and 10 chest seals in each bag. They will be stored at the EDs in each hospital. EM will oversee education and pre-staging of the bags at large events, festivals, etc.</p> <p><u>Regional Morgue</u> – Marathon County is looking at standing up a regional morgue to support mass fatality situations in our region; would add capacity for an additional 25 bodies.</p> <p><u>Infections Disease Tabletop Recap</u> – Over 175 people participated in this regional exercise. Evaluations were positive; people liked the GoTo Meeting format. The AAR is forthcoming.</p> <p><u>Training/Exercising</u> – Robbie will send out a short survey to see where the priority training areas are.</p> <p><u>CMS Partner Engagement</u> – All Coalition meeting minutes are posted on the NCW-HERC website. Robbie held a CMS partner engagement meeting. It was stressed that those partners need to sit down and talk together as a group. Few have had ICS or NIMS training. Preparedness plan was reviewed with CMS partners. COOP was discussed, along with surge issues.</p> <p><u>WebEOC</u> – People can contact their EM Directors for access to WebEOC.</p> <p><u>Special Populations Workgroup</u> – Chelsea Onchuck and Becky Mroczenski will serve on a workgroup to take a look at special populations planning.</p> <p><u>FAC Workgroup</u> – Rebecca Lohagen, Rebecca Rosandick and Becky Mroczenski will focus on FAC, mass fatality/mass casualty planning.</p>
<p>Opportunities for Collaborative Activities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Trainings - Template Plans <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o At-risk Population Work-Book - Update Region 2 Public Health MOU - Other <p>Roundtable</p>	All	<p><u>Region 2 Mutual Aid Agreement</u> – There is consensus that we should revisit our MAA/MOU and update it. Joan will send out the current agreement and see what updates people might identify. Discussed keeping the agreement using the DHS public health regional boundaries and adding in Clark County.</p>
Next Meeting and Format	Joan/Sue/Robbie	Joan will send out a meeting Doodle for September 14 or 28.