

Region 8 HPP Planning Board and Advisory Committee

September 2, 2009, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Ramada Inn, Marquette

Meeting Minutes

Meeting was called to order around 10:20 a.m.

There was no agenda for this September meeting as it was geared specifically to go over the draft regional application and the input provided by the planning board in regards to meeting objectives, scheduling training, education and exercises. The application was gone over virtually line by line to ensure understanding and inclusion of each regional participating facility in the upcoming cooperative agreement.

Each planning board member was provided, prior to this meeting, a copy of the collaborative efforts of the exercises scheduled based on facility input up to that point, as well as training and education. Planning board members were also provided a summary of regional application's objectives.

Each objective was addressed and discussed as in depth as the board felt necessary, addressing each objective that has not been regionally addressed.

BTC stressed the point that under the new guidance of spending approval based on prior planning, that the success of the Region is put back into the hands of the people and that each member is responsible for creating opportunities to succeed as a facility, as a division and as a Region; and that they will be held accountable to follow through with their plans as written.

BTC addressed the group as to the changes in the agreement period; excerpt taken from application instructions. "In an effort to assist awardees with long-term strategic planning, FY 2009 establishes the beginning of a three year project period for the ASPR Hospital Preparedness Program. As outlined by ASPR year one (FY 2009) the HPP project period will consist of ten months and three weeks (August 9, 2009 – June 30, 2010) for MDCH OPHP. The eight Regional Medical Bio-Defense Networks will receive funding for a twelve month period (October 1, 2009 – September 30, 2010) consistent with previous contracts. Years two (FY 2010) and three (FY 2011) of the HPP project period will consist of twelve months (July 1, 2010 – June 30, 2011 and July 1, 2011 – June 30, 2012)."

BTC updated the board with the States requirements: 20% increase in Michigan Volunteer Registry registrants across the Region by year's end. Regional Leadership has been required to participate in two new conferences; Hospital Healthcare Conference and Statewide Volunteer Conference.

BTC updated the board in regards to increased focus on pandemic planning and SNS preparation, given the current state of the nation/world in regards to the H1N1 Epidemic (formerly known as Swine Flu).

Dr. Schoenow was asked to elaborate on the Regional request to purchase Portable Ultrasound units; Oxygen generation machines as well as oxygen caches. These have been Regional efforts in the past that have been unsuccessful in the past due insufficient funds allocated to the Region.

With nothing more to discuss, this meeting was adjourned at 2:15

Thanks,

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