

County of San Luis Obispo Public Health Department Public Health Emergency Preparedness Program (PHEPAC) Meeting

October 6, 2016



In attendance: Nicole Balliet, James Beebe, Kerry Boyle, George Brown, Peggy Callison, Claire Grantham, Beth Haberkern, Megan Harrington, Robin Hendry, Joe Hoeflich, Colleen Hubard, Karen Jones, Anita Konopa, Steve Lieberman, Ann McDowell, Elizabeth Merson, Joe Piedalue, Susan Rainey, Teri Reeder, Dee Rittenhouse, and Jeannette Tosh

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Call to Order	Meeting began at 10:30 with a welcome from Elizabeth Merson and introductions.
TOPIC	DISCUSSION
PROGRAM REPORTS	
JOE HOEFLICH TRI COUNTIES REGINAL CENTER	• Joe shared the experience of having an active shooter in one of their sister facilities in San Bernardino County and what precautions Tri-Counties Regional Center has put in to place to keep their patients, staff and visitors safe. They have gone through all of their facilities and have trained all of their staff on how to respond to an active shooter. He shared that it is a fine line to make sure you have secure facilities and an inviting place for families to visit. Joe discussed the the psychological effects of an active shooter and how it affects all staff differently.
ANITA KONOPA	OES held a Nuclear Power Plant (NPP) dress rehearsal exercise in September. They received good feedback
OFFICE OF EMERGENCY Services	from the evaluators. OES is having a Disaster Preparedness Advisory Council (DPAC) meeting on October 26, 2016 the meeting will be going over the response to the Chimney Fire. OES will be doing NPP FEMA evaluated drill on November 2, 2016.
JAMES BEEBE LABORATORY	• The lab has new equipment that can give very accurate test results within an hour. The lab recently had five test samples come in from a concert that was held in Pozo, and out of the five, two tested positive for E-coli. This particular strand of E-coli is not linked to beef, it is more likely linked to humans.
	• The lab just stared testing samples for Influenza- like illnesses, and is looking for rapid positives. They have also sent over 40 tests up to the state lab for testing for the Influenza strains.
Ann McDowell Communicable Disease	• Public Health is investigating an E-coli outbreak at a Pozo concert in the VIP section where 439 tickets were sold. Public Health found out about the outbreak through social media, and complaints on the venue's site. Environmental Health will be monitoring the venue closely during upcoming events to ensure they follow safe food handling procedures. They are investigating as to what they think the cause is, they have a suspicion it is the chili that they served.
AARON LABARRE (VIA WRITTEN REPORT) ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH	 Environmental Health is sponsoring ammonia hazmat drill on October 16, 2016. Environmental Health supported the Chimney Fire Response by serving on the Damage Assessment Team

	and conducting food and sanitation inspections at the shelter and fire camps.
Elizabeth Merson Public Health Emergency Preparedness	PHEP is working on getting their grants approved and all work plans in place.PHEP is in drill season.
ROBIN HENDRY COMMUNICATIONS	 Recently sent out CAHAN forms for updating CAHAN contact information. If you are a Verizon Wireless subscriber you may have trouble reading Reddinet alerts. Reddinet is working towards fixing this issue.
PEGGY CALLISON CENTRAL COAST HOME HEALTH AND HOSPICE	• Peggy works for Central Coast Home Health and Hospice which has facilities in Santa Barbara to San Luis Obispo counties. They oversee 140 hospice patients, 400 plus home health patients, and have over 200 employees in their programs.
Elizabeth Merson Public Health Emergency Preparedness	 Elizabeth reviewed the the new CMS emergency preparedness ruling; attached is the PowerPoint slideshow. CMS webinar link: <u>https://www.cms.gov/Outreach-and-Education/Outreach/NPC/National-Provider-Calls-and-Events-Items/2016-10-05-Emergency-</u> Preparedness.html?DLPage=1&DLEntries=10&DLSort=0&DLSortDir=descending
DENISE YI UP COMING EVENTS	 Public Point of Distribution (PPOD) - October 23, 2016 Statewide Medical and Health Exercise Tabletop – October 20, 2016 Diablo Canyon Nuclear Power Plant FEMA Evaluated Exercise: November 2, 2016: Statewide Medical and Health Functional Exercise – November 17, 2016 CHEMPACK Training – January 12, 2017
ROUND TABLE	• Jeannette Tosh: Twin Cities Community Hospital will be having their free flu shot clinic on October 21, 2016 and again on October 29, 2016.
	 Next PHEPAC Meeting: Thursday January 5, 2017 at 10:30 am CHP Coastal Division Headquarters, 4115 Broad Street, #B-10, San Luis Obispo, CA
Adjourn	• The meeting was adjourned at 11:45 am

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