

Healthcare Preparedness Work Group (HCPWG) Meeting Minutes March 7th, 2019 2:00pm-3:00pm

ATTENDEES: Harold Carder, Lando Casabar, Karen Jones, Elizabeth Merson, Paul Morris, Patti Shay-Dagenais, Najib Yamak, Denise Yi

COALITION SURGE TEST EXERCISE- DENISE YI

At last month's meeting I introduced the Coalition Surge Test Exercise (CSTE) and invited all healthcare coalition members to participate. PHEP and the Hospital Preparedness Program (HPP) will be participating in the CSTE for the second time this Spring. The purpose of this low/no notice tabletop exercise is to test the evacuation and relocation of 20% of a participating healthcare coalition's staffed beds within 90 minutes. For organizations that do not have "staffed beds," we can create a scenario where your organization is impacted and either has to evacuate or may be experiencing a surge of patients from evacuating areas.

Since this is the first year this exercise is being offered to the HCPWG, we decided to only evacuate hospitals. If you are interested in participating, you will be a potential receiving facility. Receiving facilities may be contacted by evacuating facilities and asked about bed availability and potential staffing and resource needs including transportation and accessibility.

Currently only our hospital and EMS partners have access to ReddiNet so we are looking into other options such as Web EOC to share information including situation status and resource requests needs. If other options are not feasible by the exercise date, we may use phone, fax and email.

Please visit <u>https://www.phe.gov/Preparedness/planning/hpp/Pages/coaltion-tool.aspx</u> for more information on the Coalition Surge Test Exercise and feel free to contact me with any questions.

The next planning meeting for the CSTE will take place 1 hour before the quarterly Disaster Healthcare Coalition meeting on Thursday, April 4, 2019 at 9:00 am.

RESOURCE CAPABILITIES – ALL

Postponing this discussion for a future meeting with more work group member attendance.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Please email suggestions for future agenda items to Denise Yi – dyi@co.slo.ca.us

ROUNDTABLE AND GROUP UPDATES- ALL

NONE

NEXT MEETING

April 4th, 2019 Disaster Healthcare Coalition (DHCC) 2180 Johnson Ave, 2nd Fl San Luis Obispo, CA 93401