

North Central Healthcare Coalition

Day/Time of Meeting: Tuesday, August 28, 2018 (10:00am-4:00pm) General Meeting 10:00am-2:00pm

Location: St. Joseph Regional Medical Center, Conference Room C

Webex: available. Conference Line: 208-748-0414, 7002#, 7002#

Attendees: Dyana Blood (SJPMC), Kate Wilson (PH-INCD), Tom Ross (Syringa Surgery), Allen Martinson (Latah County), Nicole Wheaton (GMC), Gaylon Waits, (LFD), Dean Neufeld (PH-INCD), Stephanie Knewbow (Pullman Regional), Ed Marugg (PH-INCD), Cindy Higgins (Syringa Hospice), Bill Spencer (Syringa Hospital and Ambulance), Richard Frank (SMH), Jesse Shepard (CVH), Gene Luze (101st CST), Tyler Barnes (101st CST), Evan Southwick (GMC), Kip Drewrey (CH&R), Danielle Engle (GMC), Debby Carscallen (MVFD), Ryan Bender (PH-INCD), Travis Nichols (Washington HCC), Mark Reaney (Nimiipuu Health), Ryan Beckman (GH&R), Kim Monson (PH-INCD), Janine Wilson (Panhandle Health District)

Topic	Outcomes
Welcome and Coalition Updates (Bill Spencer, Chair)	
Agency Resource sharing show & tell (facilitated by PH-INCD)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Photos of training, sheltering, decontamination, and mass casualty resources were shared. • The NCHC WebEOC Resource Board was reviewed, and members were invited to participate in a taskforce meeting on September 21st at 9:00am at the Public Health District Office in Lewiston to discuss improvements to the Resource Board format to make it more user-friendly for our coalition members.
Agency Updates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Many facilities and agencies were affected by the recent cell phone service outages, and they shared their alternate communication methods. • Other facility improvements, emergency events, and agency changes were shared.
Washington Coalition Update (Travis Nichols, YTBN Coalition)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Travis spoke about the value of Healthcare Coalitions in being able to pool staff, supplies, and capabilities resources to meet the needs of emergency situations. • He explained the multi-step, multi-year process Washington state used to merge their coalitions from 9 down to 2 organizations, and he described the current plan to maintain support in the hubs of the three coalitions that were merged in his jurisdiction.
Training Sources Options (Kate Wilson, PH-INCD)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kate handed out the current training list from the NCHC WebEOC Training Calendar. There was a general consensus that the members would like to continue to receive the automatic email notifications from WebEOC every time a new training opportunity is added to the calendar. • Dean stated that there is about \$20,000 to allocate towards coalition training, planning, and exercises. The Advisory Committee reviewed the member interests survey, and Hazmat training and hostile event preparedness were the most prominent topics. A handout showing the HPP capabilities, objectives and activities was provided to members for reference to help
Annual coalition budget availability for planning, training, and exercise and the request process (Dean Neufeld, PH-INCD)	

	<p>identify where funding could be used to address gaps and vulnerabilities that are federally prioritized. The Advisory Committee will be meeting again to develop the final spending plan prior to Sept 30. Any coalition members with projects and needs that would benefit from the funding should contact Dean. A request process will be forthcoming.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There are also funds for Infection Control preparedness through the Ebola Preparedness subgrant. Those who are interested should contact Dean.
<p>Healthcare-related waivers in disasters (David Lum, CMS Regional Office)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • David reviewed the CMS EP Rule and described federal disaster-related waivers and flexibilities. • He gave some past examples of appropriate and inappropriate requests, and he provided many resources to answer more specific provider type questions.
<p>Lunch – working lunch (12:00-12:30)</p>	
<p>101st CST Hazmat Exercise Update (Capt. Barnes, 101st CST)</p> <p>Regional Hazmat Response Team (Gaylon Wait, LFD)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Capt. Barnes reviewed the 101st CST’s capabilities. • He gave an overview of the upcoming Hazmat training and exercise in September. • Gaylon spoke about the Regional Hazmat Response Team. He emphasized the importance of hospitals being able to do their own decontamination because the Regional Response Team and EMS providers will likely be too busy handling things at the scene and in the community and unable to take care of the hospital decon needs, too.
<p>Divide into workgroups (1:00-2:00)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EMS & Hospitals: Mass Casualty Aid Mutual Aid Agreement, Hospital Emergency Response Team, see <i>separate agenda</i> • Long Term Care: After Action Tabletop Exercise discussion, see <i>separate agenda</i> 	<p><i>See separate meeting minutes</i></p>



NCHC Board
 Bill Spencer, Chairman
 Mike Neelon, Vice-Chairman
Upcoming Meeting Dates
Tuesday, Dec 4, 2018
Tuesday, Mar 5, 2019
Tuesday, Jun 4, 2019

