## After-Action Report/Improvement Plan for:



# Region 9 Healthcare Coalition Evacuation Situational Awareness Exercise: Northern Sub-Region

Draft Date: 2/20/2017

The After-Action Report/Improvement Plan (AAR/IP) aligns exercise objectives with preparedness doctrine to include the National Preparedness Goal and related frameworks and guidance. Exercise information required for preparedness reporting and trend analysis is included; users are encouraged to add additional sections as needed to support their own organizational needs.

#### **EXERCISE OVERVIEW**

**Exercise Name** 

Region 9 Healthcare Coalition Evacuation Situational Awareness Exercise

**Exercise Date** 

October 25, 2017

Scope

This exercise was a functional exercise with tabletop elements, planned for four hours at multiple locations throughout the Northeastern Tri-County area of Washington Region 9. Exercise play was limited to healthcare evacuation operations and supporting activities between the identified players.

Core Capabilities

Public Health, Healthcare, and Emergency Medical Services

Healthcare Preparedness and Response (HPR) Capabilities

Healthcare and Medical Response Coordination

Medical Surge

#### 1. Patient Placement

Hospitals and relevant response partners will utilize the Region 9 Disaster Medical Coordination Center (DMCC) Plan to support hospital evacuation processes and coordinate patient placement with external partners throughout the Tri-County area of Region 9 without diminishing patient quality of care.

### Objectives

#### 2. Patient Transportation

Hospitals and supporting organizations will coordinate patient transportation requirements with appropriate transportation resources.

#### 3. Situational Awareness

Region 9 Healthcare Coalition members will demonstrate the ability to collect and share timely situational awareness information, prioritize that information, and share a common operational picture between internal and external partners within two hours of receiving the request.

### **Exercise Name**

Region 9 Healthcare Coalition Evacuation Situational Awareness Exercise

#### Threat or Hazard

Winter Weather

#### Scenario

Ferry County Memorial Hospital and Newport Hospital and Health Services (NHHS) located within the Northern Tri-County area of Washington Region 9 are experiencing issues with their Heating, Ventilation & Air Conditioning (HVAC) systems. With a cold front moving in, patient room temperatures are currently at 55 degrees, and dropping 5 degrees every hour. External temperatures are expected to be in the single digits for the next two or three weeks. Fixing the two HVAC systems or providing alternative heating methods are not options at this point.

#### Sponsor

Washington Region 9 Healthcare Coalition

# Participating Organizations

Players include hospitals, skilled nursing facilities, county emergency management offices, emergency medical service agencies, a local health jurisdiction, and healthcare coalition. A complete list of exercise participants is in Appendix B.

### Point of Contact

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#### **ANALYSIS OF CAPABILITIES**

The Region 9 Healthcare Coalition Evacuation Situational Awareness Exercise was designed to evaluate three objectives centered on patient placement, patient transportation, and situational awareness. Evaluations in this AAR are specifically focused on the objectives created by the exercise planning team. However, there were additional strengths and areas for improvements identified that were either facility specific or were not within the scope of objectives defined by the exercise planning team, and therefore will not receive a full analysis in this AAR. It is still important to acknowledge these strengths and areas for improvements that were outside the exercise objectives.

There were three strengths that fell outside of the objectives: (1) two firsts for our region were achieved through this exercise. We have never exercised Holy Family Hospital (HFH) as back-up to Deaconess for Region 9 DMCC or as lead for the northern 3 counties (Ferry, Stevens, and Pend Oreille). In addition, our region had never conducted an evacuation exercise using the DMCC. Good job to the exercise design team and exercise participants supporting these 'firsts.' (2) Evacuating and receiving healthcare facilities activated their internal Emergency Operations Plans (EOPs) and used their notification processes to activate the hospital incident command system and assemble their incident command teams. (3) Although evacuation was the primary goal, evacuating facilities had great discussions on whether they could maintain operations in the emergency department if they evacuated. Outcomes of these discussion were not clear, but demonstrating the understanding that the community still would need emergency department service is admirable.

A few notable areas to improve that will not be covered specifically in the AAR/IP because they fall outside of the exercise objectives were: (1) One of the hospitals used internal patient tracking methods, but there was no way to determine if this was effective during a regional event. (2) Evacuating hospitals found that contact information used in their staff notification system was outdated. (3) Use of the WATrac Command Center for sharing information and situational awareness was not widely used within exercise play. Users included exercise controllers, evaluators, and players.

The following pages are an analysis of capabilities specifically for the exercise objectives defined by the exercise planning team.

#### **Objective 1: Patient Placement**

Hospitals and relevant response partners will utilize the Region 9 DMCC Plan to support internal evacuation processes and coordinate patient placement with external partners throughout the Tri-County area of Region 9 without diminishing patient quality of care.

#### **Capabilities**

Core: Public Health, Healthcare, and Emergency Medical Services

HPR: Health Care and Medical Response Coordination, Continuity of Health Care Service Delivery and Medical Surge

#### **Strengths**

The partial capability level can be attributed to the following strengths:

- Initially, evacuating hospitals either discharged or identified local healthcare facilities who could accept patients using existing internal plans or community relationships.
- Ferry County Memorial Hospital (FCMH) focused on placing their LTC patients themselves, but had the DMCC place their acute care patients.
- Once contact had been made between the DMCC and evacuating hospitals, the DMCC was able to collect patient numbers and identify healthcare facilities to place evacuated patients.
- Upon activation, and per the WA R9 DMCC Plan, the DMCC sent an alert through WATrac to nineteen hospitals in WA Region 9 asking them to update bed status and agency status.
- Four regional hospitals (Garfield County Memorial Hospital, Providence St. Joseph's Hospital, Newport Hospital and Health Services (NHHS), and Pullman Regional Hospital) updated WATrac within fifteen minutes of receipt with the requested information.
- In response to the WATrac alert, St. Joseph's Hospital activated their Hospital Command Center in anticipation of a surge, and began briefing their Incident Commander based on the scenario.

#### **Areas for Improvement**

The following areas require improvement to achieve the full capability level:

**Area for Improvement 1:** Upon notification from the evacuating hospitals, the DMCC did not efficiently activate.

**Reference:** Region 9 Healthcare Coalition DMCC Plan

**Analysis:** Efficiently activating of the DMCC is dependent on variety of factors. During this exercise, five factors contributed to delay and confusion around Holy Family Hospital activating the DMCC.

- 1. The DMCC Plan indicates that activation should occur within five minutes of notification. Originally, DMCC activation times are based on mass casualty incident responses. In the exercise, evacuating hospitals called the DMCC at or around 9:30 a.m. The DMCC activation was indicated by a WATrac Alert sent at 9:46 a.m. Although, activation occurred in/around fifteen minutes, there is still room to improve efficiency.
- 2. Evacuating hospitals did well at placing patients using partner facilities and other community relationships, and then contacting the DMCC only when they needed assistance beyond their capabilities. However, because the evacuating facilities first communication to the DMCC occurred at the moment they needed assistance, the DMCC had to activate from a "cold" start. If the DMCC had been notified earlier, then when it came time to activate, they could have done so from a "warm" start and potentially been more successful in the activation and arguably their operations later on in the event.
- 3. During the initial call to the DMCC, both evacuating hospitals stated that they were evacuating and needed to place patients in other healthcare facilities. This specific phrasing was not effective in triggering the DMCC to activate, as the DMCC representative's response to the evacuating facility's representative was that they (Holy Family Hospital) could accept some of their patients rather than activating the DMCC and coordinating patient placement.
- 4. There was a discrepancy between the number provided in the DMCC plan to activate the DMCC and the internal protocols for how calling the number leads to DMCC activation. For example, when FCMH called the DMCC number, they were transferred to a charge nurse who was knowledgeable about the DMCC activation and the exercise, however she stated she could not play because the ED was too busy. She did provide the number for the staff person who would be running the DMCC., however, no one answered the phone for the number provided.

**Area for Improvement 2:** Nineteen hospitals received the WATrac alert sent from the DMCC, but some hospitals either did not update WATrac, did update but not within an adequate timeframe, or did not update with appropriate information.

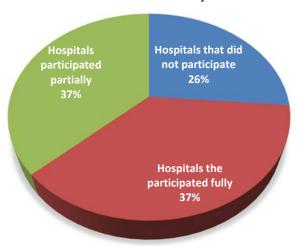
Reference: Region 9 Healthcare Coalition DMCC Plan

**Analysis:** The R9 DMCC plan indicates that upon sending a WATrac alert, hospitals and other healthcare agencies are to complete the requests in the alert within 15 minutes. One factor that may have contributed to hospitals not updating WATrac in an appropriate timeframe is that the DMCC did not define a timeframe for hospitals to update their status in the alert. The following bullets and table depict that WATrac participation during the exercise varied across the region.

- Four out of nineteen hospitals updated beds and agency status within 15 minutes of the alert being sent.
- Five out of nineteen hospitals did not participate at all.

- Seven out of nineteen hospitals participated fully by updating both beds and agency/diversion status.
- Seven out of nineteen hospitals partially participated by updating one field, but not both fields (i.e. only updated beds, did not update diversion/agency status).

# Hospitals that Participated in WATrac Alert on October 25, 2017



■ Hospitals that did not participate ■ Hospitals the participated fully ■ Hospitals participated partially

\*It is assumed when a WATrac alert is sent, all hospitals within Region 9 should respond to the alert whether it be during an exercise or real event.

**Area for Improvement 3:** Initially, patients were placed within Holy Family without identifying hospitals closer to the evacuating facilities that were capable of providing adequate patient care.

Reference: Region 9 Healthcare Coalition DMCC Plan

**Analysis:** FCMH coordinated patient placements through the DMCC and patients were initially placed at the DMCC facility, even though there was another hospital with enough space half the distance from the evacuating facilities. Placement decisions at Holy Family, the DMCC facility, were done at two points during the exercise:

- During the initial attempt to activate the DMCC when evacuating hospitals failed to specify they wish to activate the DMCC, and only indicated they were evacuating and needing to place patients.
- During second attempts, when evacuating facilities specified they needed to activate the DMCC.

The R9 DMCC plan states that the DMCC system attempts to place patients at the healthcare facility most appropriately able to care for them in the most efficient amount of time. There may be times were the DMCC itself fits the criteria. For example, normal patient transfers from Newport Hospital may be to Holy Family (i.e. northern sub-regional DMCC), which occurred during the exercise. When there are hospitals closer to the event or evacuating facility that can

provide the appropriate level of care, those hospitals should be utilized when possible and practical. This not only affects patient care, but travel distances for family members as well.

#### **Objective 2: Patient Transportation**

Hospitals and supporting organizations will coordinate patient transportation requirements with appropriate transportation resources.

#### **Capabilities**

Core: Public Health, Healthcare, and Emergency Medical Services

HPR: Health Care and Medical Response Coordination, Continuity of Health Care Service Delivery, and Medical Surge

#### **Strengths**

The partial capability level can be attributed to the following strengths:

- The two evacuating hospitals found and arranged patient transportation. However, the two hospitals achieved this in different ways.
  - FCMH relied heavily on personal relationships to identify transportation resources.
     They directly called the person they knew to arrange transport. Effective, but could cause problems when there is staff turnover.
  - NHHS utilized the Pend Oreille County Dispatch Center to contact the County
    Emergency Manager. The County Emergency Manger and Dispatch Center found the
    needed transportation resources from the Kalispell Tribe. The tribe supplied a variety
    of busses and wheel chair transport vehicles.

#### **Areas for Improvement**

The following areas require improvement to achieve the full capability level:

**Area for Improvement 4:** FCMH utilized personal relationships that are not reflected in their Emergency Operations Plan to arrange patient transportation for long-term care patients.

Reference: Ferry County Memorial Hospital Emergency Response Plan

**Analysis:** Although FCMH was effective in finding and arranging transportation resources for their long-term care patients, they did so through personal relationships. This could cause issues when there is staff turnover. They called the school, but were told the school would get back to them. They did not know how long that would take. The phone number of the school bus garage was available in the Emergency Response plan, but that number wasn't tried. Instead they directly called the person they knew to arrange transport. The school buses were to be used for transport of long-term care patients.

#### **Objective 3: Situational Awareness**

Region 9 Healthcare Coalition members will demonstrate the ability to collect and share timely situational awareness information, prioritize that information, and share a common operational picture between internal and external partners within two hours of receiving the request.

#### **Capabilities**

Core: Intelligence and Information Sharing

HPR: Health Care and Medical Response Coordination

#### **Strengths**

The partial capability level can be attributed to the following strengths:

- The R9 HCC notified the following agencies of the activities occurring in the two northern hospitals: Northeast Tri-County Health District, Greater Spokane Emergency Management, and Washington State Department of Health.
- The R9 HCC sent an e-mail to collect situational awareness information from regional partners at 1:10 p.m. This was done roughly ninety minutes after the request (simulated) to do so was made.
- The R9 HCC staff aggregated situational information collected from regional partners into a situation report which was sent out to the regional distribution list by 5:30 p.m. To view the situation report from the exercise, see Appendix C.

#### **Areas for Improvement**

The following areas require improvement to achieve the full capability level:

**Area for Improvement 5:** Thirty-four of fifty-five healthcare organizations completed the situational awareness survey.

**Reference:** R9 HCC EEI Summary

**Analysis:** The R9 HCC requests information to be gathered from a list of contributors. The data is collected through an online survey and is sent via e-mail with a two-hour deadline. During the exercise, some EEI contributors did not respond to the survey as they were not aware of the e-mail. Some EEI contributors were not checking e-mail during the two-hour time period when the request was active. These EEI contributors could have potentially responded if there were redundant communications to notify them of the e-mail. For the contributors who missed the deadline, they expressed a text message with the link to the survey would be helpful.

# **Appendix A - AAR for:**

(Place your facility's AAR-IP behind this page, if there is anything specific that didn't get included above.)

### **APPENDIX B: IMPROVEMENT PLAN**

This IP has been developed specifically to address regional or systematic areas for improvements as a result of Region 9 Healthcare Coalition Evacuation Situational Awareness Exercise conducted on October 25, 2017.

\*Some of these corrective actions are targeting specific hospitals, but may also be applicable for other healthcare facilities.

Capability	Issue/Area for Improvement	Corrective Action	Capability Element	Primary Responsible Organization	Organization POC	Start Date	Completion Date
Core: Public Health, Healthcare, and Emergency Medical	Upon notification from the evacuating hospitals, the DMCC did not efficiently	Implement a reoccurring operational DMCC training for Holy Family Hospital staff.	Training	Providence Holy Family	Darrell Ruby and Mark Sheldon	2/1/18	6/15/18
Services  HPR: Health Care and Medical Response	activate.	Update the DMCC Plan to emphasize the steps for external partners to request DMCC activation.	Planning	Providence Holy Family and R9 HCC	Darrell Ruby, Mark Sheldon, and Heidi Wilson	2/1/18	6/15/18
Coordination, Continuity of Health Care Service Delivery and Medical Surge	2. Nineteen hospitals received the WATrac alert sent from the DMCC, but some hospitals either did not update WATrac, did update but not within an adequate timeframe, or did	Reassess who received WATrac alerts at hospitals that did not update WATrac on October 25th during the exercise.	Planning	R9 HCC with All hospitals	Carolyn Cartwright along with hospital WATrac contacts (5 participating hospitals)	2/1/18	5/1/18

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		not update with appropriate information.						
	3.	Initially, patients were placed within Holy Family without identifying hospitals closer to the evacuating facilities that can provide adequate patient care.	Implement a reoccurring operational DMCC training for Holy Family Hospital staff.	Training	Providence Health Services	Darrell Ruby and Mark Sheldon	2/1/18	6/30/18
Core: Public Health, Healthcare, and Emergency Medical	4.	personal relationships that are not reflected in their Emergency Operations Plan to arrange patient transportation for long-term care patients.	Incorporate transportation agency contact information into the Emergency Operations Plan.	Planning	Ferry County Memorial Hospital	Aaron Edwards	2/1/18	6/30/18
Services  HPR: Health Care and Medical Response Coordination, Continuity of			Within EOPs, include county partner notifications, such as County Emergency Management and Public Health.	Planning	Ferry County Memorial Hospital	Aaron Edwards	2/1/18	6/30/18
Health Care Service Delivery, and Medical Surge	5.	Thirty-four of fifty-five healthcare organizations completed the situational awareness survey.	Explore additional redundant outreach methods, including text messaging, for use in the R9 Situational Awareness Process.	Planning	R9 HCC	Hannah Cylkowski and EEI participants	2/1/18	6/30/18

# **Appendix C: Situation Report**

The following is the Situation Report that contains information collected from coalition partners who were signed up for the Region 9 Healthcare Coalition Situational Awareness Process. The Situation Report was distributed by the Region 9 Healthcare Coalition during the exercise October 25, 2017.

#### \*\*EXERCISE\*\*



Region 9 Healthcare Coalition Evacuation Situational Awareness Exercise Update

Evacuation Situational Awareness Exercise Situation Update #1

Date: 10/25/2017 Time: 5:00pm

This report is intended to gather essential elements of information about affected healthcare providers to create situational awareness and assist with development of a coordinated response. This report should be used in conjunction with <u>WATrac</u> for timely agency and bed availability status.

Exercise Scenario: Ferry County Memorial Hospital (FCMH) and Newport Hospital and Health Services (NHHS) are experiencing issues with their HVAC systems and have evacuated. With a cold front moving in, patient room temperatures are currently at 55 degrees, and dropping 5 degrees every hour. External temperatures are expected to be in the single digits for the next two or three weeks. Disaster Medical Coordination Center (DMCC) has placed patients appropriately, but with the potential for long term weather impacts the Region 9 Situational Awareness Response Process has been activated.



Agency Name	County	Provider Type	ED Status	Critical Care Unit Status	Staff Concerns	Resource Needs	Power Status	Phone	Internet	Sewer Status	Water Status	Access Status
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Pullman, WA	Other	Health			None	None	ator	al	al	1	al	Clear
Aging and Long Term Care of Eastern	Spokane	Not Listed			None	Yes	City	Operation al	Operation al	Operationa	Operation al	Clear
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Care and St. Luke's								Operation	Operation	Operationa	Operation	
Rehab Institute	Spokane	Hospital	Open	Open	None	None	City	al	al	1	al	Clear
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Visiting Nurses		Home						Operation	Operation	Operationa	Operation	
Association	Spokane	Health			None	None	City	al	al	1	al	Clear
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Surgery Center	Spokane	Center			None	None	City	al	al		al	Clear



Royal Park Health		Skilled						Operation	Operation	Operationa	Operation	
and Rehabilitation	Spokane	Nursing			None	None	City	al	al	I	al	Clear
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for Children -								Operation	Operation	Operationa	Operation	
Spokane	Spokane	Hospital	Open	Open	None	None	City	al	al	1	al	Clear
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Unify Community		Public						Operation	Operation	Operationa	Operation	
Health	Spokane	Health			None	None	City	al	al	1	al	Clear
Buena Vista		Skilled					Gener	Operation	Operation	Operationa	Operation	
Healthcare	Stevens	Nursing			None		ator	al	al	1	al	Clear
Colville												
Community Health		Public						Operation	Operation	Operationa	Operation	
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Exercise Situation Update #1 Date: 10/25/2017 Time: 5:00pm

#### SITUATION UPDATE DETAILS

Agency Name: Tri State Memorial Hospital

Address: 1221 Highland Ave Update Date: 2017-10-25 20:27:12

Updated by: Christy Boyd Director of Emergency

Phone Number: 509-758-5511

Resource Explanation: All Critical Care beds are full with no immediate anticipation of

discharge.

Agency Name: Dayton General Hospital

Address: 1012 South 3rd St.

Update Date: 2017-10-25 20:27:42

Updated by: Tom Anderson, Manager Cardiopulmonary Dept.

Phone Number: 509-832-0760

Agency Name: Ferry County Public Hospital District #1 - Region 9 Healthcare Coalition

Address: 36 Klondike Avenue, Republic, WA 99166

Update Date: 2017-10-25 20:19:34 Updated by: Aaron Edwards, CEO Phone Number: 509-207-9208

R9 HCC Note: DMCC, EMS and R9 HCC have been in touch with Ferry County Memorial

Hospital and have no further needs at this time.

Agency Name: Kindred at Home – Coeur d'Alene, ID

Address: 1230 Northwood Center Court Suite C, Coeur D'Alene, ID 83854

Update Date: 2017-10-25 20:38:39

Updated by: Karma Gooch RN, Manager of Clinical Practice

Phone Number: 208-667-5470

Agency Name: Kindred at Home – Pullman, WA

Address: 1610 NE Eastgate Blvd #850

Pullman, WA 99163

Update Date: 2017-10-25 20:29:45

Updated by: Dave Winstead, Executive Director

Phone Number: 509-332-9958

Other: We may be able to provide 1-2 nurses if needed

Agency Name: Aging and Long Term Care of Eastern

Address: 1222 N. Post Spokane, WA 99201

Update Date: 2017-10-25 20:45:46

Updated by: Jennifer Lichorobiec Title XIX Case Management Manager

Phone Number: 5094582509



#### \*\*Exercise\*\* Region 9 HCC Evacuation Situational Awareness **Exercise Situation Update #1**

Date: 10/25/2017 Time: 5:00pm

Infrastructure Details: We...have no impact, we can assist with resource gathering and communications. We can also be a place for staff to use computers and phones from those counties, if needed.

Agency Name: Columbia Surgical Specialists/Columbia Surgery Center

Address: 217 West Cataldo

Spokane, WA 99201

Update Date: 2017-10-25 20:44:28

Updated by: Kristie Sudderth, RN, BSN, ASC Manager

Phone Number: 509-842-8784

Agency Name: Deaconess Hospital

Address: 800 w. 5th Avenue Spokane, WA

Update Date: 2017-10-25 20:45:10

Updated by: Erika Abdnor, Director of Clinical Operations

Phone Number: 509-720-6343

Agency Name: Horizon Hospice Address: 123 Cascade Way

Spokane, WA 99208

Update Date: 2017-10-25 21:36:48

Updated by: Shep Speight Phone Number: 509-489-4581

Infrastructure Details: EXERCISE - HVAC for facility not operational.

R9 HCC Note: we have connected with Horizon Hospice who verified that they resolved the

issue after activation of their EOP and implemented mitigation measures.

Agency Name: Kindred at Home

Address: 8502 N Nevada St St Suite 2 Spokane WA 99208

Update Date: 2017-10-25 22:01:54 Updated by: Robert Woodside Phone Number: 509-464-4970

Agency Name: Kindred At Home, Home Health Liberty Lake

Address: 22820 E Appleway Ave, Suite A, Liberty Lake WA 99019

Update Date: 2017-10-25 21:44:57

Updated by: Kathryn Soady Executive Director

Phone Number: 509-998-4646

Agency Name: Kootenai Health Address: 2003 Kootenai Health Way Update Date: 2017-10-25 20:16:52

Updated by: Ken Mitchell Phone Number: 208-625-4325



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Date: 10/25/2017 Time: 5:00pm

Agency Name: Mann-Grandstaff VA Medical Center, Spokane Address: 4815 N. Assembly Street, Spokane, WA 99205

Update Date: 2017-10-25 20:59:20

Updated by: Chris Jaklitsch, Emergency Manager

Phone Number: 509-434-7426

Agency Name: Manor care

Address: 6025 n assembely Spokane wa Update Date: 2017-10-25 22:03:24

Updated by: nate stearns maintenance director

Phone Number: 509-998-3911

Agency Name: Maxim Healthcare

Address: 1500 W. 4th Ave Suite 200 Spokane WA 99201

Update Date: 2017-10-25 21:06:10

Updated by: Katie Lowderback Director of Clinical Services

Phone Number: 509-324-6421

Agency Name: MultiCare Valley Hospital Address: 12606 Mission Ave Spokane Valley

Update Date: 2017-10-25 21:08:34 Updated by: Richard G Ferraro Phone Number: 9167578698

Agency Name: NEOS Surgery Center

Address: 626 S. Sheridan St. Update Date: 2017-10-25 20:26:28

Updated by: Christina Enger, RN--Clinical Director

Phone Number: 5092792176

Agency Name: Providence Health Care and St. Luke's Rehab Institute

Address: Representing Sacred Heart, Holy Family, Mount Carmel, St. Joe's, St. Luke's and our

**PMG Clinics** 

Update Date: 2017-10-25 20:26:21

Updated by: Darrell Ruby Phone Number: 509-499-2861

Other: Available for patient transfer to support the simulated evacuation, as appropriate

Agency Name: Providence Visiting Nurses Association

Update Date: 2017-10-25 20:48:29 Updated by: Neil Wahlstrom--Director

Phone Number: 509-534-4300

Agency Name: Rockwood Clinic

Address: 400 E 5th Ave Spokane 99202



Exercise Situation Update #1 Date: 10/25/2017 Time: 5:00pm

Update Date: 2017-10-25 20:42:05

Updated by: Gail J. Callas, MS, BSN, RN Chief Nurse Executive

Phone Number: 509-342-3138

Agency Name: Rockwood Eye Surgery Center Address: 842 S. Cowley St; Suite 3; Spokane, WA

Update Date: 2017-10-25 20:29:44

Updated by: Sylvia Folkins, RN; ASC Nurse Supervisor

Phone Number: 509-724-4265

Other: We are available as a warming/respite center as needed

Agency Name: Royal Park Health and Rehabilitation

Address: 7411 North Nevada Street

Spokane, WA, 99208

Update Date: 2017-10-25 21:26:09

Updated by: Robin Abt Assistant Executive Director Phone Number: 5094892273

Agency Name: Shriners Hospitals for Children - Spokane

Address: 911 W 5th Ave Spokane, WA 99204

Update Date: 2017-10-25 21:21:53

Updated by: Sarah Older, Performance Improvement Manager & Mark Knapp, Director of

**Facilities** 

Phone Number: 509-744-1233

Agency Name: Spokane Digestive Center Address: 105 W. 8th Ave. Ste. 6010 Update Date: 2017-10-25 21:54:17 Updated by: Cathleen Johnston,RN Phone Number: (509)838-5950

Other: We have space available if needed

Agency Name: Spokane Eye Surgery Center

Address: 427 S. Bernard st. Suite 200 Update Date: 2017-10-25 21:18:44

Updated by: Tom Alderson Director of Nursing

Phone Number: 509-456-8150

Infrastructure Details: We are currently running on City power, but have a Generator if needed.

Our interoffice server will be down tonight starting at 8 pm

Construction in the lot next to the facility will occasionally close the road next to the surgery

center.

R9 HCC Note: we have verified that the operational challenges are based on current internet and infrastructure access challenges and do not need additional support for resolution.



**Exercise Situation Update #1** Date: 10/25/2017 Time: 5:00pm

Agency Name: Sunshine Home Health Care

Address: 10410 E 9th, Spokane Valley, WA 99206

Update Date: 2017-10-25 20:56:24

Updated by: Gretchen Anderson, Administrator

Phone Number: 509-321-9050

Other: If patients are relocated to Spokane County to stay with family, we can provide home

health needs and potentially keep them from needing to go to a hospital

Agency Name: Unify Community Health

Address: 120 W Mission Ave Update Date: 2017-10-25 21:41:48

Updated by: Kai Nevala Phone Number: 509.326.4343

Agency Name: Buena Vista Healthcare

Address: 151 Buena Vista Drive Update Date: 2017-10-25 21:50:59

Updated by: Tyson Luu Phone Number: 5096844539

Agency Name: Colville Community Health Center Address: 358 N. Main Street Colville, WA 99114

Update Date: 2017-10-25 21:39:03

Updated by: Tina Welsh, LPN Office Manager

Phone Number: 509-684-1440

Resource Explanation: Concern is having the necessary supplies to maintain any patients transported to us. We have 12 rooms with lab tables and plenty of space that beds/floor space

could be used

Other: trained providers and nursing staff on sight, could handle less critical patients with current

staffing and supplies

Agency Name: NEW Health Programs Chewelah Community Health Clinic

Address: 518 E. Clay Ave, Chewelah WA 99109

Update Date: 2017-10-25 21:01:58

Updated by: Brenda Johnston, Clinic Manager

Phone Number: 509-935-8424

Resource Explanation: Immunization storage could be a problem if power is lost during the

storm.

Infrastructure Details: Power outage we have no back up generator for power. Phones and internet would be compromised due to power outage. Our servers at our Administration building is on a backup generator so files would not be compromised.

R9 HCC Note: we have verified that there are no immediate needs, generator available to stabilize immunization storage if power challenges materialized.

Agency Name: Northeast Washington Health Programs



**Exercise Situation Update #1** Date: 10/25/2017 Time: 5:00pm

Address: 5952 Blackstone Way Nine Mile Falls, WA 99026

Update Date: 2017-10-25 20:30:29

Updated by: Maureen Painter, Safety Manager

Phone Number: 509-464-3627

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#### APPENDIX D: PARTICIPANT FEEDBACK

Feedback provided from Holy Family (5 respondents), Ferry County Memorial Hospital (8), and Newport Hospital (7)

Participants responded to the survey included:

Observer – 3 Evaluator – 2 Facilitator/Controller – 2 Players – 13

Questions	Ratings: 1-5 1 = Strongly Disagree 5 = Strongly Agree
The exercise scenario was plausible and realistic.	93/20 = 4.65
I felt adequately informed about the exercise purpose at the beginning of the exercise.	89/20 = 4.45
The exercise adequately tested our plans, policies and/or procedures.	45.5/10 = 4.55
My participation in the exercise was appropriate given my level of experience/training.	59/13 = 4.54
My participation in the exercise was appropriate given my position at my agency/organization/facility.	89/20= 4.45
Exercise participants included the right people in terms of level and mix of disciplines.	91/20= 4.55
Participants were actively involved in the exercise.	95/20=4.75
The exercise increased my understanding about and familiarity with the capabilities and resources of other participating organizations.	95/20=4.75
The exercise provided the opportunity to address significant issues related to a hospital evacuation scenario.	95/20=4.75
After this exercise, I feel better prepared to deal with the issues raised during the exercise.	87/20 = 4.35

Comments on the exercise from players included:

- First experience with the drill. I felt it went as well as it could given my level of training (very minimal). I learned lots related to: appropriate questions to ask, contacting additional hospitals or facilities, the importance for correct phone numbers, the need for a common language, I need to study region 9 area.
- I unfortunately was unable to participate in the entire event, missed some of the discussion. Event was very good, realistic for our facility
- Communication pass the word, don't assume everybody's on board and knows what's going on, talk about it round everybody up in your location be onboard

- Phone numbers were an issue, more knowledge around WATrac expectations when DMCC Activated, for the HFH: need generic paper track.
- This ran good!

#### Comments from Facilitator/controller/Observer included:

- Less Paperwork
- CST tool included a table EVAC facilities can use to track types of beds evacuating. This may help for command centers/ DMCCs to use this tool to track during eval (I'm looking to see how we could incorporate this tool in our procedures in W. WA)
- Scenarios are always difficult to realistically devise. This was a good one, though we probably would not have evacuated.
- This was a great internal exercise logistics
- Nixle training for Admin and Staff (scripting)
- Staff education re: disaster/evacuation policy
- Revise the Evacuation Document/Language/Nixle
- Include DMCC component
- Drill lockdown signage not placed everywhere
- Should have used radios.
- Mini-training to staff prior to drill
- Nixel training prior to drill to assure access is available to program

## **APPENDIX E: EXERCISE PARTICIPANTS**

Participating Organizations
Regional
Northeast Tri-County Public Health
Panhandle Health District
Spokane Regional Heath District
Washington Region 9 Healthcare Coalition
County
Ferry County Dispatch Center
Ferry County Emergency Management
Pend Oreille County Dispatch Center
Pend Oreille County Emergency Management
Stevens County Emergency Management
Tribal
Colville Tribe
Non-Governmental
Aging and Long-Term Care of Eastern
Buena Vista Healthcare
Columbia Surgical Specialists/Columbia Surgery Center
Colville Community Health Center
Dayton General Hospital
Ferry County EMS
Ferry County Memorial Hospital
Horizon Hospice
Kindred at Home
Kindred at Home – Coeur d'Alene, ID
Kindred at Home – Pullman, WA
Kindred at Home, Home Health Liberty Lake
Kootenai Health
Life Care Center of Sandpoint
Mann-Grandstaff VA Medical Center, Spokane
Manor Care
Maxim Healthcare
MultiCare Deaconess Hospital
MultiCare Valley Hospital
NEOS Surgery Center
NEW Health Programs Chewelah Community Health Clinic
Newport Hospital and Health Services
North Valley Hospital and Nursing Home

Northeast Washington Health Programs
Parkview Senior Living
Prestige Care and Rehabilitation - Pinewood Terrace
Providence Health Care, Ambulatory Surgery Center
Providence Holy Family Hospital
Providence Mount Carmel Hospital
Providence Sacred Heart Medical Center and Children's Hospital
Providence St. Joseph's Hospital
Providence Visiting Nurses Association
Quail Hollow Assisted Living
Republic School District
Rockwood Clinic
Rockwood Eye Surgery Center
Royal Park Health and Rehabilitation
Royal Park Health and Rehabilitation
Rural Resources (Republic office)
Shriners Hospitals for Children - Spokane
Spokane Digestive Center
Spokane Eye Surgery Center
St. Luke's Rehabilitation Institute
Sunshine Home Health Care
Tri State Memorial Hospital
Unify Community Health
Valley Vista Care Center