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## Public Health Emergency Preparedness Orientation

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## Office of Preparedness and Emergency Health Care (OPEHC)



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## OPEHC and Public Health

- Manage grants
- Training and exercises
- Provide technical assistance and planning
- Maintain web-based systems
- Respond
  - Staff Emergency Support Function 6 and 8 at the State Emergency Operations Center
  - Coordinate the Departments emergency response
  - Coordinate Division of Public Health's On-Call teams

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### Wisconsin's Preparedness Funding

The diagram illustrates the flow of preparedness funding. At the top is the Wisconsin Department of Health Services logo. Below it, a vertical arrow labeled '2018 | 2019' points to a central circular logo. From this central logo, two horizontal arrows point to the CDC logo on the left and the ASPR logo on the right. Below the CDC logo is the Wisconsin Public Health logo with the amount '\$9,360,000'. Below the ASPR logo is the Wisconsin Hospital logo with the amount '\$3,560,000'.

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### Technical Assistance and Planning

- Preparedness Capabilities
  - Public Health 15
  - Healthcare 4
- Emergency Operation Plan
  - Emergency Support Function 8 – Health and medical
  - Emergency Support Function 6 – Mass care, housing and human services
  - Some counties use annexes

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### Web-Based Systems

- Partner Communications and Alerting – PCA Portal
- Wisconsin Emergency Assistance Volunteer Registry - WEAVR
- Incident management – WebEOC
- Healthcare resource tracking – EMResources (WI-Trac)
- Learning Management – TRAIN Wisconsin
- Emergency Alerting – Rave Alert
- Wisconsin Electronic Disease Surveillance System – WEDSS

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### Preparedness Cycle

- Prepare
- Respond
- Recover
- Prevent/Mitigate



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### Prepare

- Conduct a hazard vulnerability assessment
- Develop a plan
- Train staff
  - Incident Command System
  - Emergency response
- Exercise plan

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### Potential Public Health Threats

- Communicable disease outbreaks
- Natural disasters
- Radiological hazardous substance
- Terrorism – Nuclear, biological and chemical



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## Hazard Vulnerability Assessment

- Jurisdictional assessment of health risks and vulnerabilities
- Threats drive planning and training
- Top five threats in 2016
  1. Cyber attack
  2. Epidemic
  3. Ice storm
  4. Civic/sporting event
  5. Severe thunderstorm

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## Incident Command System

Incident Commander

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**Recommended Trainings**

<b>Online Training</b> ICS-100 and ICS-200 IS-700	<b>Classroom Training</b> ICS-300 and ICS-400 IS-800
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[training.fema.gov](http://training.fema.gov)

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## Healthcare Emergency Readiness Coalitions

- Broaden scope of healthcare partnerships
- Shift from planning to response and recovery
- Regional medical coordination
  - Situational awareness of medical resources
  - Alerting and communication coordination
  - Bed availability counts and patient tracking
  - Surge capacity for disaster incidents



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## Response

- Public Health Emergency Plan
- Notification of staff
- Develop an Incident Action Plan
- Communicate
  - Internal
  - Partners
  - Public
- Document



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## Recovery

- Short term (days)
  - Recover staff, equipment, etc.
  - Establish surveillance protocols
- Intermediate (weeks to months)
  - Continuity of care
  - Recovery planning
- Long term (months to years)
  - Reestablish disrupted health care facilities
  - Assist with behavioral health

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## Prevention and Mitigation

- Understand and meet the actual needs of the whole community
- Engage and empower all parts of the community
- Develop an after action report
- Implement the improvement plan

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## Scenarios

- You will be given a scenario and three response options
- There are three numbers posted in the room
- Pick a respond and move to that number
- Discuss with the others in the group why you chose that response
- After a few minutes have one person explain to everyone why you chose that response
- There are no right or wrong answers

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## Public Health Workforce

- Make a plan for yourself, family and pets
- Plan to help your neighbor and community
- Keep your contact information up to date
- Get connected
- Don't be a victim



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## Partners Communications and Alerting (PCA) Portal

<https://share.health.wisconsin.gov/ph/pca/default.aspx>

Email: [DHSPCAPortal@wisconsin.gov](mailto:DHSPCAPortal@wisconsin.gov) to request access

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### PHEP Q and A

Public Health Emergency Preparedness Question and Answer

- Every other Tuesday at 10:00 a.m.
- Opportunity to ask questions
- Recorded and posted on the PCA Portal

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