

Northeast Healthcare Preparedness Coalition Meeting 8/1/23

Members Present: See the attached sign in sheet.

Call to Order by Michael Bomberger at: 9:07am

Topic	Discussion	Follow-Up
Welcome –	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introductions- first in the room, and then Teams (online) • 	
Sustainability-	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sustainability report (Danielle)- <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Our fiscal year ended June 30. This year is the final year of the current HPP grant period.. ○ The contract for the 5 years will be rebid but is also open up to the entire state. ○ As far as sustainability, we are unclear on funding past June 30, 2024, but we will let you know as we get more information. 	
4 Core & More Reports with Clinical Advisor & Lead Hospital Comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Update that KDHE is in the process of looking at the numbers for ventilators. Hospitals will have the opportunity to have full ownership over these new ventilators. It is requested that the current cache is returned to be calibrated. • Plain language code- Hospitals wanting to discuss plain language code and wanting to know who else uses plain language code. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Holton Community Hospital- discussed having made the switch to plain language from using color codes. ○ Recommended plain language document with descriptions of the plain language meanings will be sent out with the meeting minutes. ○ Minnesota has helpful tools to begin speaking plain language codes and moving away from emergency color codes. ○ Nemaha valley has switched to plain text ○ LMH is looking to make the switch to plain language codes. ○ Community Healthcare and Miami County use a mixture of plain language and emergency color codes. ○ Other facilities report they have not made that switch but would like to do so. ○ Having longer dialogue (plain language codes) can be an issue in an emergency where immediate actions is needed. A mix of plain language codes and emergency color codes may work best for different situations but it is up to each facility to choose what is best for them. • At the steering committee in Salina, there have been a few reports of human trafficking. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Woman jumped out of car to try to get away from a male. ○ Woman ended up in the hospital and was required to be held at the hospital until deputies arrived. 	<p>Hospitals – report to Danielle if you host your own electronic health records and you would like to participate in the Juvare/EMResource pilot project.</p> <p>Please send tribal engagement communication information to Danielle, if available</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Wichita has human trafficking trainings and so does the Kansas Coalition. Inviting HCC members to inquire more about that training and bring that training to their organizations. ○ JUVARE- a pilot project is in process that will help take care of federal reporting. ○ Looking for and welcoming hospitals that have standalone systems. ○ Will keep everyone updated when more information is available. ● Holton Community Hospital- Had a patient that tried to attack a staff member. Looking for policies that assess patients that are high risk to staff members and other patients. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ CMS just updated their literature for high-risk patients. ● Joint commissioner not doing black-out dates anymore. In addition, they are no longer listing which hospitals they are visiting on their website daily. ● Stormont Vail- Recently had a Jt Commission Survey at the Flint Hills campus. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Recently had a Hepatitis A outbreak related to IV drug use and homelessness. ○ Stormont Vail just finished up policies for emergency preparedness (tornado, active assailant, and situations where patients shoot one another and decide what to do with the family members of patients when they show up to the hospital). ● One Critical Access Hospital had a situation where an outpatient was roaming around the hospital with a knife . He ended up getting stuck in the doorway. The police were called and his family was called to try to convince the man to drop the knife, but he still refused to do so. The patient had dementia. More police officers had to be called to assist with the situation. During this time, another man who also showed aggression towards the staff returned from the nursing home after having punched a nurse. The police were able to apprehend the two men (one of whom had an additional knife). ● St. Francis purchased 3 new Ferro - magnetic machine for the emergency department, Entry A and a roving model. In the Emergency Room In the last 4 days, St. Francis has confiscated 114 items that had to be confiscated from ED visitors. All individuals that enter the hospital will need to start going through metal detectors in the near future. Also, St. Francis is about 3/4ths done with implementation of staff badges (used 3 times in the last month), that have buttons that when pushed will notify other staff members of a staff emergency. They also finished their security risk assessment (SRA), which needs to get evaluated annually. Purchased a massive amount of airhorns, which alerts everyone to take cover or just leave the building. ● Olathe Health- Had a tabletop exercise for aggravated/ active assailants. Found out that they still needed to send out some new and revised preparedness policies to the staff members. Also provided notification badges to staff members. Suggest that staff members send out dispatch immediately when the button is pushed, rather than notifying security, who will assess the situation and then call dispatch. ● In one facility, when there was an active assailant, everyone in the hospital would click the emergency button, rather than just the person seeing the emergency. This overwhelmed dispatched and confused them about where the emergency actually was located. Recommend that only the individuals witnessing the event first-hand push the button. ● EMS reports: 	
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The MERGE group is going through some changes and getting a new data set for reporting electronic health records. ○ New features for tracking employee exposures, violence against employees in healthcare ● Emergency Management <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Praises for the HCC's involvement at the train derailment in KC. ○ EM swamped with damage assessment from storms. ○ Working on presidential declaration for damages (threshold has to be \$5million) ○ If there have been any damage in the city from weather, please let EM know so they can try to provide reimbursement for that. ○ We are looking to better engage NE tribes in our HCC. Request for anyone that knows of any training for knowing how to work with tribal leaders. ● Health Departments (online participants required to report for attendance) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Shawnee County <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Working with KDHE to try to handle the Hepatitis A outbreak. ▪ Has a presence at the rescue mission and is trying to utilize that presence to provide vaccinations for Hepatitis A. ▪ Will bring more of HCC information to more preparedness meetings. ○ (Rebecca Johnson) 4 corners emergency education is open for registration. ○ Miami County Health Department is working on CRI/ PHEP deliverables. ○ Stephen Maheux with Johnson County working on PHEP workplan. ○ Liz with PCHD- gearing up for flu clinics and commercialization of immunizations. ○ Danielle suggested the HCC be invited to sit in at regional meetings to provide feedback on how the HCCs and PHEP workplans can begin to integrate deliverables. 	
Final BP5 Workplan Items	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Voted on boundaries for the NEKSHCC. Historically, we have kept the same boundaries, which includes 23 counties. We have the most counties in the state in our HCC. Danielle recommended that we keep the number of counties going forward. ● Miami County is torn between the Kansas City area but would like to continue to recognize them as part of the NEKSHCC. ● A motion was made by Teri Axman to keep the current boundaries and seconded by Julie Thomas. Motion passed. ● Danielle would like to attend Conference in Las Vegas along with Michael Bomberger in to attend training and bring back training to the NEKSHCC members at one of the future meetings. Julie Thomas motioned and Teri Axman seconded to send Danielle and Michael (final decision). ● HCC Website items shared: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ There are currently 98 different organizational members of the NEKSHCC ○ BP5 NEKSHCC workplan items have been finalized. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ●

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Change from final budget- with the NEKSHCC Summit, a Strategic National Stockpile meeting and a Region 7 Readiness and Response Coordinator meeting were not initially included into to budget, but Danielle added those. The executive committee passed this change on 7.25.23 	
Training	<p>Stormont Vail Leadership Training</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Proposed Emergency Management Training and Exercise Plan 2023 (Stormont Vail) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Joint Commission requirements changed in July 2022: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Organizations: Written EM Education and Training plan based on prioritized roles ▪ All Team Members: Education on hire and annually related to roles and responsibilities in an emergency. ▪ Leadership: Incident Command Trainings (homegrown or can utilize FEMA courses) ● SVH Training and Exercise Plan (TEP) Development: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Organizations Strategic Guidance ○ FEMA Guidelines ○ Threat Assessment (HVA) Corrective Actions from Previous Events ○ Policy and Procedure ● Proposed SVH and Ted Offerings: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Leadership-Specific Trainings ○ Annual Readiness Events ○ Mandatory Drills/ Exercises ○ Mandatory Drills/ Exercises ○ Customizable Drills-Departments' Request ● Leadership-Specific Training <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ ICS Trainings 100, 200, 700, 800 ○ Online annual education module ○ 1 threat assessment drill ○ 1 incident command activation drill ● Annual Readiness Events- All locations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Statewide Tornado Drill: This year it was held on Tuesday, March 7, 2023 @ 10:00 am ○ Annual Community Exercise: Scheduled by Emergency Management ● Mandatory Drills/ Exercises- All locations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Communications Failures 	<p>Send Danielle information you would like to hear from ASPR during the 9/26/23 KS HCC Conference</p> <p>Register for the KS HCC Conference at www.kshcc.com and then hover over "Conference"</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Mass Casualty Triage ○ Decontamination ○ Trauma Team Activations ○ Helicopter Landing Response ● Customizable Drills- Department Request <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Workplace Violence ○ Power Outage ○ Weather ○ Flood ○ Fire ○ Evacuation ● EM can customize drills based on department needs or in response to recent incidents, or to evaluate and improve staff response. ● Customizable formats include Tabletops, functional exercises, and full-scale exercises. ● Departments request forms on EM public facing SharePoint. ● Key Takeaways: SVH TEP 2023 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Goal: Establish new Training and Exercise plan for SVH System ○ EM will offer training and exercises throughout the year, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Leadership-specific Training ▪ Annual Readiness Events ▪ Mandatory Drills (Community and SVH) ▪ Customizable Drills at Departments' Request ○ 13 Drills in 2023: each 15-30 minutes in duration <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 2 Leadership ▪ 2 Community ▪ 9 SVH ○ All TEP Events listed on EM public facing sharepoint website. ● Emergency Management App Education Plan (catalogue)- Shown to NEKSHCC meeting attendees. 2023 KS HCC Summit ● Summary of upcoming preparedness summit September 25th and 26th <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ First in-person one in Kansas ○ Information and registration available on the KSHCC website – www.kshcc.com 	
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The meeting will be kicked off with “lessons-learned” from an incident in the Kansas City area at a meat packing plant, where people were walking out of the plant and passing out. KU MED received patients from that incident and will speak on how they handled that situation. ○ Chris Way, Captain that responded to shooting at nightclub that ended with 5 fatalities and other physical and mental injuries from that incident will present. ○ Kary Cox will present on awareness to marijuana grow operation response. ○ Angela Krutzinger with ASPR will give HPP related updates. ○ Keynote – Kendall Gammon (retired NFL pro and current voice for Chiefs reporting) will talk about teamwork and leadership for emergency preparedness. ○ Asking all to attend conference. There will be a fee for food and cost of bringing speakers.- \$75 before September 2nd and \$100 after September 2nd. 	
Looking Forward	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The HCC Performance Feedback survey will be sent out to the NEKSHCC members on their satisfaction or dissatisfaction on how things are going with the NEKSHCC ● Will be open for two weeks. Request as much feedback as possible with complete transparency and honesty. ● We plan to offer Hospital Emergency Response Training (HERT) this year. This is open to all disciplines, not just hospitals. The only charge to the HCCs will be travel as the course instruction and materials are free. ● HCC 101 in October ● KDHE is offering EM Resource Training on Valentines day in 2024 (Feb. 14, 2024). This course is open for registration in KS Train ● The October NEKSHCC meeting will include training on MRCs. ● Looking to plan Human Trafficking training. ● If anyone has any ideas for training that NEKSHCC members should take, please send your ideas to Danielle Marten. 	<p>Please complete the Performance Survey</p> <p>Executive Committee to schedule: HERT Training HCC 101 Course (in October) Human Trafficking Training</p> <p>Send any other training ideas to Danielle</p>
Adjournment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Thanks to all who participated online and those who showed up in-person. 	
Water filtration system	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Presentation provided by St. Francis: ● How-to presentation provided on how to utilize water filtration systems. 	HCC Executive Committee to develop check-out process and to load manuals/links to the HCC website.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Can be used indoors or outdoors, can be hooked up to fountain machines, and to various different water reservoirs.• Requires an electrical power source. Can be car, generator, etc.• Resource that belongs to HCC.	
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HD Adjournment: 11:15am

In-person Adjournment: 11:30am.

Respectfully submitted by: Veronica White