

PUBLIC HEALTH AND HOSPITAL PREPAREDNESS AND THE CRITICAL ROLE OF THE EMERGENCY MANAGER

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Learning Objectives

At the end of this session, participants will be able to:

- Demonstrate knowledge of the IDPH emergency preparedness program
- Explain the resource management process for public health and hospitals and coordination with County EMA
- Explain the emergency manager's role in preparedness planning for hospitals and public health departments



Preparedness Program Background

- A result of September 11, 2001 and Anthrax threats in 2002
- Seeks to prepare hospitals and local public health departments to respond to public health emergencies which overwhelm the local health infrastructure
- Two separate programs, two separate funding streams:
 - *PHEP: Public Health Emergency Preparedness Program - CDC*
 - *HPP: Hospital Emergency Preparedness Program - HHS/ASPR*
- Centered on building capacity in several focus areas – the “capabilities”



Capabilities

1. Community Preparedness	8. Medical Countermeasure Dispensing
2. Community Recovery	9. Medical Materiel Management and Distribution
3. Emergency Operations Coordination	10. Medical Surge
4. Emergency Public Information and Warning	11. Non-Pharmaceutical Interventions
5. Fatality Management	13. Surveillance and Epidemiological Investigation
6. Information Sharing	14. Responder Safety and Health
7. Mass Care	15. Volunteer Management



Planning

- ESF #8 Covers Public Health and Medical Services
- Typically, hospital, public health and EMS plans are not written to ESF standards
- EMA “Owns” and is the lead planning agent for ESF #8 and can provide...
 - *Assistance and coordination between agencies and organizations in creating plans, deconflicting of resources, and standardizing plans so different agency plans work well in concert with each other*
- Communication is important!
 - *If your plan designates Agency X to provide Facility Y with Resource Z in an emergency, officials representing X, Y, and Z should know and have exercised the plan and identified areas of improvement*



Resource Management

- EMA is resource management lead for county
- Public Health and Hospitals should rely on coalition resources first, then escalate to county EMA if necessary
- Hospitals will typically use their own system affiliations before asking for outside resources
- Do you know what kinds of resources your health infrastructure may need in an emergency?



NIMS Requirements

- Preparedness coalition NIMS requirements are not the same as EMA/HSEMD
- Those filling an incident command role are required to have 100, 200, 700, 800 at a minimum.
 - *Liaison Officer needs ICS-300*
 - *Public Information Officer needs G-290 or equivalent*
- Training Record
- NIMSCAST
- Compliance Statement



Exercises

- Exercise requirements for Preparedness Coalitions
 - *Qualifying Exercise tests capabilities 1, 3, 6, and 10.*
 - *Most coalitions have completed their qualifying exercise requirement*
 - *BETS Planners working with remaining coalitions to ensure exercises are completed through technical assistance visits. EMA participation is encouraged.*
 - *Some capabilities have exercise requirements outside of the qualifying requirement*
 - *Exercise requirements are still TBD for FY2017-2022 period*



Exercises

- Getting the most bang for the exercise buck
- EMA can assist by making sure exercises meet as many recommendations and/or requirements as possible
 - *HPP and PHEP Preparedness Programs*
 - *Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS)*
 - *Joint Commission on Hospital Accreditation (JCHAO)*
 - *Emergency Management Accreditation Program (EMAP)*
 - *And many others*

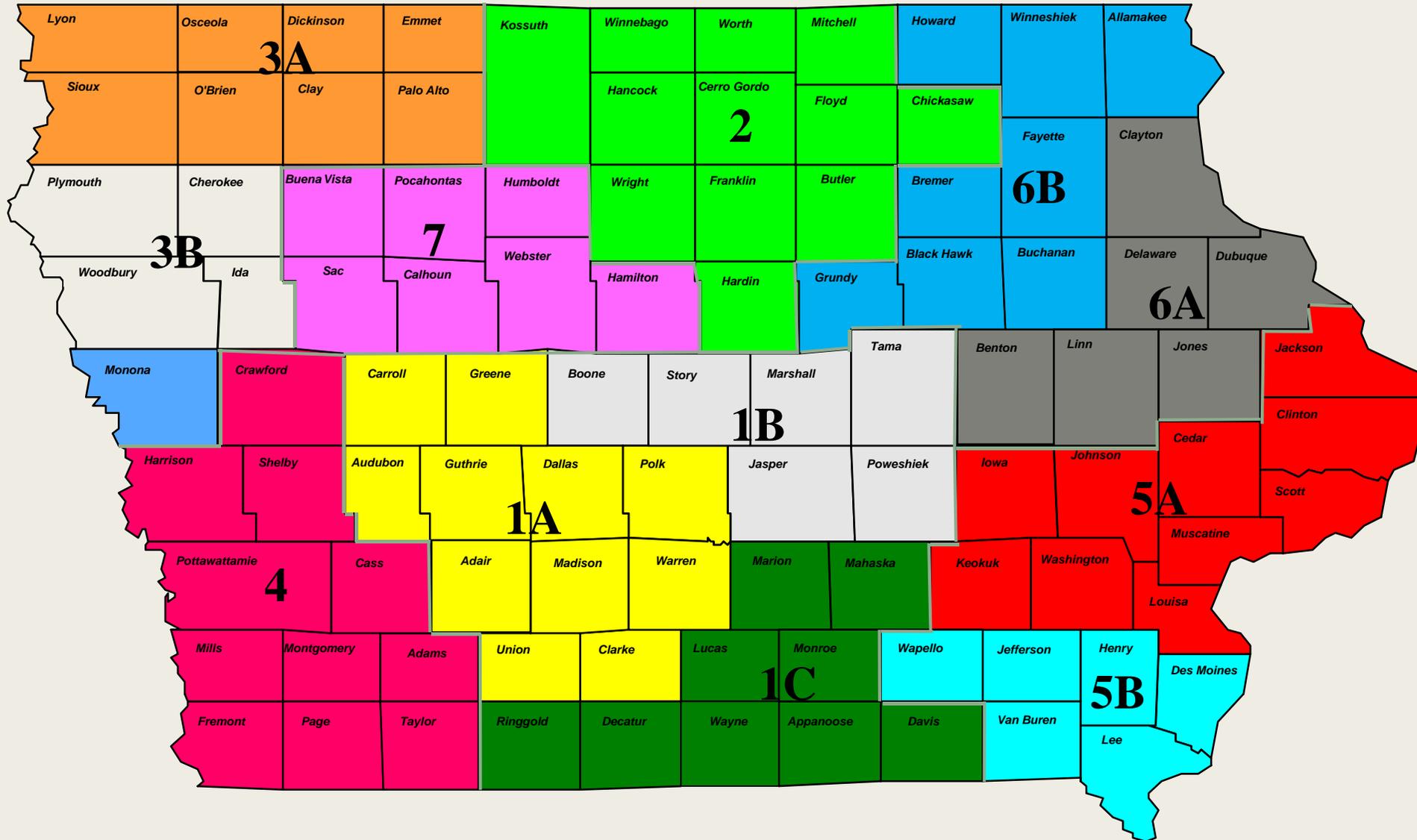


FY2017 and Beyond...

- Planning based on Time Critical Conditions
- Service areas / Sub Service Areas
- Funding Model
- More on this tomorrow morning with “Multi-Partner Time-Critical Condition System Planning” breakout session



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Final Thoughts

- The most successful coalitions in Iowa have full participation from a wide array of disciplines
- The least successful coalitions are those that don't work together.



Thank You

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