

North Central Healthcare Coalition

Day/Time of Meeting: Tuesday, November 4, 2014 (10:00 AM – 2:00 PM)



Location: St. Joseph Regional Medical Center – Conference Room C (415 6th St., Lewiston, ID)

Attendees: Bill Spencer (Syringa Hospital), Patty Barnett (Nezperce Ambulance), Dave Reynolds (Moscow Ambulance), Mike Neelon (Latah County), Jerry Zumalt (Idaho County), Bill Whitman (Pullman Regional Hospital), Katy Quinn (St. Joe’s Regional Medical Center), Don Gardner (Clearwater County), Rod Piller (Kamiah Ambulance), Blake Richards (Life Flight), Michael Baker (Whitman Co. Public Health), Mark Hosinski (Tri-State Hospital), Mel Johnson (Nez Perce County), Richard Frank (St. Mary’s Hospital), Shane Blamires (Norco), Ryan Harris (Norco), Jesse Shepherd (Clearwater Valley Hospital), Scott Williams (Moscow Ambulance), Sean Lunsford (American Red Cross), Richard Broncheau (Nez Perce Tribe), Dominic Pomponio (Life Flight), Alan Martinson (Latah County), Dave Hasz (Lewis County), Cheri Holthaus (St. Mary’s Hospital), Ed Marugg (PH-INCD), Mike Larson (PH-INCD), Matt Dudley (PH-INCD), Kayla Moehrle (PH-INCD), Casey Schooley (PH-INCD), Ryan Bender (PH-INCD), Charles Craig – conference call (Gritman Medical Center)

Item/Topic	Meeting Outcomes/Decisions Reached
<p>Introductions and Updates (10:00 – 10:10)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Advisory Committee • EMS Taskforce • NCIN • TSE Council 	<p><u>Advisory Committee:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Potential EMS Administrators conference in McCall this Spring • Discussed improving the Emergency Alert System <p><u>EMS Taskforce:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussed the Mass Casualty Incident plan and the process for updating it – creating a workgroup • Focus on communication issues within the plan • Provide trainings to units in the region <p><u>North Central Information Network:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Working on the activation procedures for a JIC/JIS <p><u>Time Sensitive Emergency:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Program being developed in Idaho focusing on trauma, STEMI-heart attacks and strokes
<p>Norco – Presentation on Emergency Planning (10:10 – 10:30)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shane Blamires (Medical Sales) shaneb@norco-inc.com (208) 743-8384 • Discuss the prioritization of resources during an emergency • MOUs with vendors 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Norco is the largest independent welding/safety/medical/gas supplier in the US • Manufacture their own medical gases • Supply oxygen to 30 facilities alone in Idaho • Norco has backup generator capabilities during emergencies to continue providing service • Prioritizes their resources through identifying the patients with the highest need – with hospitals taking high priority • Develop emergency supply plans with your suppliers (i.e. Norco) to provide PPE on a priority basis
<p>Gritman Med Surge Exercise (10:30 – 10:50)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Charles Craig (GMC Safety Officer) • Scott Williams (Moscow Ambulance) • Overview of their exercise on 9/17 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conducted a surge exercise that tested the emergency department involving 15 patients • Moscow Ambulance participated in the exercise and worked with Gritman on patient handoff • Areas of improvement were noted along with strengths of the exercise
<p>St. Mary’s Shooter Exercise (10:50 – 11:10)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Richard Frank (St. Mary’s ER Coordinator) • Overview of their exercise on 10/15 that tested their emergency department 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Simulated a shooting event at the Cottonwood Fair Grounds with eight casualties • Six of the casualties were triaged on scene by St. Mary’s Ambulance and transported to the Hospital ED • The hospital practiced a lock-down of the facility

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Their Meditech system was tested during the med surge event • St. Mary’s used their new call out system (Everbridge) to practice the response efforts of staff • Found opportunities for future cross-trainings
<p>Regional Call Centers (11:10 – 11:20)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Matt Dudley (Public Health Preparedness Manager) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A call center would be a centralized center used for the purpose of receiving a large volume of telephone requests • There are call center capacities in our region (many need training) • Modify the JIC/JIS Plan to add language on the activation and procedures of a call center
<p>Continuity of Operations Planning (11:20 – 11:30)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kayla Moehrle (Public Health Planner) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hospitals are discussing continuity of operations planning with their administration and working towards filling in gaps identified from the April table top exercise
<p>Regional Exercise Planning Update (11:30 – 11:45)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Casey Schooley (PH Training Coordinator) • Immediate Bed Availability 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exercise is planned for April 25th at the Riverfront Park in Kamiah, ID • Immediate Bed Availability is an objective for the healthcare facilities to provide appropriate level of care to non-disaster and disaster-related patients • Planning committee will meet on November 13th to review the submitted budget requests
<p>County/Tribal/Regional Updates (11:45 – 12:00)</p>	<p><u>Life Flight</u>: Preliminary stages of building a hangar complex in Lewiston</p> <p><u>Clearwater Valley Hospital</u>: Working on active shooter policies for the hospital</p> <p><u>Idaho County</u>: Planning for the Idaho Emergency Management Association annual conference in Boise in February; November 20th the county contractors are hosting the first public meeting on their all-hazard mitigation plan</p> <p><u>Medical Reserve Corps</u>: Volunteers participated as patients in the Gritman and St. Joe’s med surge exercises; Joined the Red Cross in an all-day Disaster Shelter Training</p> <p><u>Syringa Hospital/Ambulance</u>: Working with the local Police Department on emergency planning</p> <p><u>American Red Cross</u>: Working on a home fire preparedness campaign and looking to work with fire departments in the region; Providing increased preparedness education in the communities</p> <p><u>Moscow Ambulance</u>: Participating with Gritman in a tabletop exercise on Ebola Preparedness on 11/5</p> <p><u>Latah County</u>: Participating in a Gritman tabletop exercise on Ebola Preparedness on 11/5</p> <p><u>Public Health</u>: Participating in a Gritman tabletop exercise on Ebola Preparedness on 11/5</p> <p><u>Lewis County</u>: Dedicated a fire station in Craigmont last week and are looking at dedicating one next summer in Winchester rural; Formulating a city-rural fire station in Nezperce</p> <p><u>Nez Perce County</u>: Working on regional hazard mitigation plan</p> <p><u>Pullman Regional Hospital</u>: Reviewing policies and procedures for Ebola preparedness</p> <p><u>Whitman County Public Health</u>: Creating the Whitman Health Emergency Alert Team (WHEAT) to discuss health/emergency/medical issues in the region</p>

	<u>Clearwater County</u> : Assisting the state in the incorporation of FirstNet, a nationwide interoperable broadband network
Lunch (12:00 – 12:30)	Viewed YouTube video “Did you Know”
Regional Ebola Preparedness (12:30 – 1:45) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Katy Quinn (St. Joe’s Emergency Management) • Updates from facilities on Ebola Preparedness 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • St. Joe’s has conducted a table top exercise and provided some extensive training for staff on PPE • Public Health will assist with case contact and tracking of a possible Ebola patient • StateComm can assist with coordinating regional assistance after identifying a possible Ebola patient • Transportation can be provided by the regional hazmat team through communication with StateComm • St. Mary’s is working with EMS on protocols and procedures for a suspect Ebola patient • Life Flight cannot provide transportation • Tri-State and Pullman Regional Hospital have recently conducted Ebola preparedness exercises • All area hospitals continue to work on hospital protocols and the proper use of PPE
Additional Items (1:45 – 2:00)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Next Meeting</u>: February 24, 2015 at St. Joe’s (Conf. Rm C)

	<p><u>NCHC Board</u> Katy Quinn, Chairman Bill Spencer, Vice-Chairman <u>Next Meeting</u> Tuesday, February 24, 2015 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM St. Joe’s Conference Room C</p>	
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