EPREP Regional Coordinating Council (RCC)

Meeting: Quarter 3 – April 6, 2022

Notes: Victoria Paige

Minutes

Attendance: Victoria Paige, Janet Williamson/EMC Huggins Hospital, Will Owen/Memorial Hospital, Emily Benson/EMD Jackson, Caleb Gilbert/C3PH, Monika O’Clair / Huggins Hospital

1. Carroll County Coalition for Public Health (C3PH)
   a. Emergency Preparedness Updates
      i. FDA Approval of Second COVID-19 Booster vaccinations. Ages 50 years and older are eligible for second booster 4 months prior to first booster.
      ii. Long Term Care Facilities and Skilled Nursing Homes requiring second booster vaccinations should contact the Liaison below to schedule a clinic
         - Aaron F. Olejarz
           LTCF Liaison
           603-271-0335
           Aaron.F.Olejarz@affiliate.dhhs.nh.gov
      iii. Public Health Emergency Preparedness (PHEP) are not continuing clinics past the month of April due to the NH’s state orders to vaccinate. DHHS are requiring all Public Health Networks (PHN’s) to be a resource for COVID-19 vaccination clinics in the future; more information to come.
      iv. The Public Health Incident Declaration is expiring on 6/30/2022. This declaration is for funding programs for PHN’s to vaccinate the community and assist with further concerns regarding the pandemic.
      v. NH Fixed Vaccination sites have closed (3/31/2022). At this time, the state has not decided to open these sites in the foreseeable future. C3PH is assisting the public’s inquires for vaccination locations via the phone or email. C3PH and other PHN’s are requesting the public to contact their primary care provider, a local pharmacy, or healthcare facility to schedule an appointment. 211 is always available to answer any questions regarding COVID-19 Vaccination concerns.
      vi. The Mobile Vaccination Van is available to assist with future clinics. To schedule a clinic, go to Request for a Mobile Vaccination Clinic | NH COVID-19 Response
         - To see the van’s schedule, see NH Vaccine Information | NH Vaccine Strategy then select the icon shown below to see the latest schedule.
   
   vii. The state has upcoming trainings for those who are interested.
       https://prd.blogs.nh.gov/dos/hsem/?page_id=1055
       - C3PH will update everyone on upcoming training opportunities as we schedule them. If anyone is interested in specific trainings, please contact Victoria Paige or Linda Burns.

b. Granite State Healthcare Coalition (GSHCC) is hosting a Conference on April 19th 9:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. It is free to attend! A great agenda of speakers will be present along with several breakout session options for those looking for specific information relating to your field. REGISTER CLOSES TOMORROW –
2. Round table EPREP RCC Updates
   a. Emily Benson
      i. Jackson is drafting and finalizing grants for opportunities for the community including broadband awareness and extensions. Jackson is working with the Gorham Fire Chief on these efforts. Jackson has recently been awarded a grant to fund operations for their Emergency Operation’s Plan (EOP) that will be reviewed this year.
      ii. CPR training would be beneficial for the community and would like to host this in their community center. C3PH will follow up on this request.
      iii. Jackson has continued their successful “Community Care Basket”. These baskets have been created with assistance from the Gibson Center in North Conway. The Gibson Center also assists with finding those populations that would need extra support.
   b. Monika O’Clair & Janet Williamson
      i. COVID-19 Vaccinations will be moved to their primary care offices to support their patients at their primary care provider. If the public is not a patient within their offices, Huggins can add the person as a new patient or provide further information on locations where vaccinations are provided.
      ii. Huggins still see a surge in patients for COVID-19 and other health concerns. Drive up testing tent is closed. COVID-19 testing will be conducted through their primary care offices or hospital.
      iii. Huggins has updated their emergency management inventory.
   c. Will Owen
      i. Memorial Hospital has seen an increase in COVID-19 Testing and positive tests. They will continue to monitor and track these increases as they continue. COVID-19 Vaccinations are now provided to their primary care facilities to give to their patients. The public can receive a vaccine per request. This will occur Wednesdays only.
      ii. Memorial is still in a Med-Surge with all patient illnesses. They continue to monitor the surge and will continue to support the community.
   d. Memorial Hospital and Huggins Hospital
      i. Interest in receiving a training regarding the Behavioral Health new 988 Beacon call center for their patients. C3PH will schedule a training in the next coming months with the hospital’s ED staff. More information to come.

Next Meeting: July 15, 2022 @10:00 a.m. Invitation to follow ~