Emergency Preparedness and Response (EPREP)

Regional Coordinating Council (RCC)

Meeting: Quarter 1; July 13, 2022

<u>Agenda</u>

- Introductions
 - Victoria Paige/C3PH, Catalina Kirsch/C3PH, Linda Burns/C3PH, Janet Williamson/Huggins Hospital, Caleb Gilbert/C3PH, Will Owen/Memorial Hospital
- Carroll County Coalition for Public Health (C3PH)
 - Emergency Preparedness Updates
 - COVID-19 Public Health Declaration renewed till September 2022 Will extend our ability to reimburse volunteers. No more mobile vaccination service. Public health is not offering vaccine clinics until the fall. Vaccine is widely available through health providers and pharmacies.
 - Vaccinations
 - COVID-19
 - FDA Approval of Moderna Vaccine and Vaccine Approval for all ages Janet few are seeking vaccination for under age 5.
 - 6 months-4 years old available to receive either Pfizer or Moderna
 - Pfizer recommends a 3-dose series
 - Moderna recommends a 2 dose series
 - 5-7 years old : recommends 1 booster with original series
 - 12-17 years old : recommends 2 boosters with original series
 - NH Mobile Vaccine Van & Homebased Vaccines Services ended 6/30
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 - Rapid Test Kits. We have about 1000 tests available to give out to nonprofits. Will give some to Children Unlimited. Let Victoria know if you want to refer a nonprofit to us. Caleb will contact Wolfeboro Children Center to offer 50.
 - Influenza
 - Fall School Based Clinics open for scheduling
 - October- November target dates. First clinic Oct 7 at Kingswood HS/MS.
 - Will potentially include covid vaccine, primary and/or booster. Might do separate days for different vaccines.

Not including faculty yet. May change. Will be seeking clinical and volunteer support.

- Memorial Hospital and Huggins Hospital Flu clinics they are exploring idea of drive through flu clinic for established patients and/or maybe public. Stay tuned for more information (Will Owen, Janet Williamson)
- EPREP Newsletter Starting a newsletter for PHEP updates quarterly. Stay tuned. Will be shared with our Regional Coordinating Council and volunteers.
- Upcoming Trainings Available
 - Upcoming Training 07012022.pdf
 - CRASE training: Civilian Response to Active Shooter Training July 30, Moultonborough <u>https://www.moultonboroughnh.gov/sites/g/files/vyhlif3506/f/uploads</u> /crase active shooter.pdf
- Regional Shelter Plan on hold. Need to build interest and participation. Based on Capital Area PHN presentation. Includes protocol for activation of shelter operation. Wants to convene an Exec committee to visit sites, survey sites, identify and determine shelter sites, conduct trainings specific to sites. Can create Shelter toolboxes for towns that would include action sheets, information for a town to activate a shelter operation. Goal is to have a locations established in Northern, Central and Southern regions of Carroll County.
 - Losberger Tent Training held this past month at County Complex.
 Would need generator, could be supplied by fire departments or C3PH might need to applied for funding to procure one.
- Partner Updates
 - Memorial Hospital, Will Owen. Paul Hughes, experienced paramedic, joined a year ago in vaccine clinic/covid operations. Revived official EMS Coordinator and recruited Paul Hughes for the role. Wealth of knowledge. Represents new leadership in that area. Nick Dukehart has moved to OR full time and will not be actively working Emergency Management. Keep Nick on your email lists though. Focus on security and active shooter response. Art Mathiesen has taken over as Senior Executive for the response system and protocol development for workplace violence and response. Would include coordination with local first responders and staff education. Victoria suggested Center on Domestic Preparedness online trainings (<u>https://cdp.dhs.gov/</u>) and tabletop exercises. Another resource <u>https://www.fbi.gov/file-</u>

repository/active shooter planning and response in a healthcare setting.pdf/view Catalina: CALM Training (Counseling on Access to Lethal Means) available through our current suicide prevention grant. COVID update: monoclonal therapy ongoing. Vaccines moved to primary care, low uptake. Testing – wavering about shutting testing center, but community prevalence is high enough that it is still open 7 days a week. Caleb – Carroll County still has highest per capita infection rate. BA4 and BA5 are still highly prevalent. Focus is mitigating and prevention of infection among personnel.

- Will Owen has been asked to join Rural Pathways Project partnership with community college to build local workforce. WMCC has been selected one of 12 in the country. Memorial Hospital has been asked to partner. If there are identified gaps in healthcare workforce they are interest in ways the program could be leveraged to help support workforce development. For example, they have done a Medical Assistant program. WMCC North Conway Academic Center is being underutilized.
- Catalina C3PH will be procuring boxes of fentanyl test strips, 20 kits per box, 100 test strips per kit. These are meant for distribution to community sector partners to reach populations most at risk for use of substances that may be laced with fentanyl and who are not connected to other distribution efforts. If you have ideas about service providers in Carroll County who might want access to this resource, contact <u>catalina.kirsch@graniteuw.org</u>
- –Janet: Huggins Hospital census is up. Acuity is higher than normal. Emergency Department visits up. Persons moved in to the area have not established local primary care. High cases of respiratory and cardiac concerns. Cases of persons needing to renew meds. Common across hospitals anecdotally. – NH is trending high in Covid per capita. Patients are mix of local and visitors. EMS calls high. Janet – state data on hot spots collected.
- Conclude Meeting: 11:46 am

Next meeting:

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