

Capitol Region Emergency Planning Committee
RESF-8 Health and Medical – *Hospital Section*
December 1, 2010
East Hartford Public Safety Complex
East Hartford, Connecticut

Present: See attached attendance list

The meeting was opened at 11:28 a.m. by Mr. Falaguerra.

Regional Hospital Exercise:

- **Regional Hospital Exercise Planning Subcommittee reports:**

Regional objectives: Mr. Falaguerra reported that he had contacted Mr. Scace at CREPC. The regional objectives for all 2011 exercise coordination and control planning is focused on the forward movement of patients, mass fatalities and decontamination.

Hospital objectives subcommittee: Only two of the participating hospitals have submitted their hospital objectives. The submission of these objectives was due by November 24. The compilation of these objectives will have to wait until the other hospitals submit their reports.

Scenario Development subcommittee: Mr. Best had submitted a subcommittee report by e-mail. In this report, he stated he has asked Lynette Lines from Yale to join the group as she is assisting DPH in the development of this and future exercises. He then went over a broad outline of a possible scenario that could result in as many as 800 victims, and multiple hazards that hospitals could buy into to meet their needs. During this discussion, it was noted that this subcommittee apparently had not convened separately to develop the regional scenario – the e-mail was the first some knew any work had been done. Mr. Falaguerra stated he would ask Mr. Best to convene the full subcommittee and review the contents of this e-mail, making any changes needed and resubmitting it for future discussion. (Subcommittee members include Dr. Shaw, Mr. Best, Ms. McCormack, and Ms. Letitia.) It was also suggested that consideration be given to first reviewing the regional and hospital objectives once these are all made available to define a scenario that best fits the identified needs of all participants.

- **Related considerations:**

Simulated victims: There was agreement that each hospital would identify and locate the number of people they would use to serve as simulated victims. Moulaging and briefing of these people as well as the logistics of providing realistic arrival at the emergency department also remain the responsibility of each hospital.

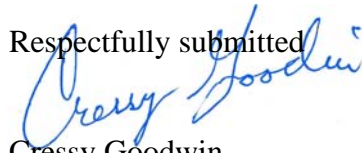
Roles of other agencies: It is not known if CMED will play an active role in this June 15 exercise. It is also unknown if Yale will put in play the listing of volunteer medical professionals who might be called in to support hospital staffing. These will be looked into.

Everbridge system: It is assumed that the Everbridge system will be functional at the time of the exercise for alerting and notification of hospital staff. This should be verified and made part of the planning process.

- **Proposed project to develop a hospital mutual aid plan for Region 3:** Mr. Falaguerra identified the need to convene a special meeting of the Hospital Section late in January to go over the possibility of supporting a hospital mutual aid planning project similar to the one recently completed for the long term care facilities.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:18 p.m.

Respectfully submitted



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Recorder

