

**WHO PanFlu Alert Level 6 December 23, 2009 U.S. Terrorism Threat Level Yellow**

→The Regional News Update is now posted on MIHAN and the Regional Website←

**Region 3 Completes 12<sup>th</sup>  
Consecutive Monthly 100%  
800 MHz Radio Drill**

The monthly Region 3 radio drill was held today for all hospitals, MCA's, Public Health Agencies and other key partners in the region for the month of December, 2009.

**Procedure:**

Prior notice of the drill was provided to all key agencies in the Region via 1 email in the days prior to the drill and a MIHAN alert and email the morning of the drill.

The drill was started on December 3, 2009 at 8:00 AM with a MIHAN high level alert and email.

**Results:**

As outlined in the instructions, the drill was begun at 9:00 AM and ended at 9:38 with the following results.

Hospitals listed (includes Tribal Wellness Center): 23  
Hospitals responding: 23  
Percentage: 100%  
(Unchanged from previous test)

MCA's listed: 11  
MCA's responding: 11  
Percentage: 100%  
(Unchanged from previous test)

Health Dept. listed: 10  
Health Dept. responding: 10  
Percentage: 100%  
(Unchanged from previous test)

Other personnel listed:

(includes EMHSD Dist Coordinator, Regional Coordinator, Asst. Coordinator, Reg. Assistant, Medical Director & Regional Lab) 5  
Other personnel responding: 5  
Percentage: 100%

**Overall Percentage of agencies contacted: 100%  
(UNCHANGED from 100% for the previous test)**

**Follow up Plan:**

In that all agencies completed the drill in the allocated time, no follow up actions were needed.



**Office Closure Notice:**

The Region 3 Office will be **CLOSED**, THURSDAY and FRIDAY, December 24 & 25 2009 in observance of Christmas and December 31, 2009 and January 1, 2010 in observance of New Years.

**REMINDER!**  
**THE HOSPITAL DEADLINE  
FOR SUBMITTING  
REIMBURSEMENT  
PAPREWORK FOR PANFLU  
PHASE 2 FUNDING IS  
JANUARY 15, 2010!**

**Contact Jim in the Regional Office  
with ANY questions.**



**Region 3 Planning Board  
Meeting Report**

The Region 3 Planning Board held its regular monthly meeting at the Lincoln Center in Bay City on December 21<sup>st</sup>.

Among the areas covered by the Board were:

- ✓ Report on the work of the Region 3 Homeland Security Board.

- ✓ Report on the Long Term Care Emergency Preparedness Grants.
- ✓ Report on the Phase 2 and Phase 3 PanFlu funding.
- ✓ Report on the results of the St. Mary's Standish/Region 3 MCC Full Scale Exercise of Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup>.
- ✓ Approval and order status of the final EMS radios indentified in the survey of Sept 2008.
- ✓ Report on the OPHP MI Volunteer Registry (MVR) grant and Regional Champion project.

**Actions by the Board were:**

1. Approval of \$44,500 for the purchase of a Zimek disinfection unit and supplies. This unit will be initially targeted to EMS use with possible expansion of its services over time. As part of this purchase, Region 3 is offering to assist in the Zimek pilot project currently in process in District 1.
2. Approval of \$6600 for the annual fee for our EMTrack Mobile patient tracking system.
3. Approval of \$5000 to be added to the already approved \$2000 from Medical Reserve Corps support with the intention of using them for programming expenses for the MVR Champion.

The Board also discussed the concept of using social media (i.e.: Twitter, Facebook, etc) for regional promotion. The Board did not choose to proceed in this area.

The next Board meeting will be Monday, January 25, 2010 at the Lincoln Center at 1:00.

**Remember to register for the  
MI VOLUNTEER REGISTRY – it's a  
great way to help your neighbors, our  
community and the State! For more  
information, go to:  
[www.mivolunteerregistry.org](http://www.mivolunteerregistry.org)**



## Regional MI Volunteer Registry Champion Project

Region 3 is currently working on a project with OPHP to design a uniform approach for MI Volunteer and Medical Reserve Corps mobilization.

At the request of OPHP and with the recommendation from the Advisory Council, Region 3 has identified a Regional "Champion" who agreed to undertake this responsibility. OPHP still needs to approve our selected champion and release the funding, hopefully by early January.

Our champion will be representing Region 3 during conference calls with OPHP to develop uniform mobilization protocols and procedures; plan table top exercises; and participate in the 2010 Volunteer conference.

Each Region will have a representative working toward the goal of coordinated, consistent state-wide mobilization protocols, ready to be implemented by August of 2010.

We will keep our members advised as this project progresses.



## Long Term Care Resources Available Through The Regional Office

With the recent addition of our new Assistant Regional Coordinator, Region 3 can now offer more services to Long Term Care and Home Care agencies.

Additional supplies for Long Term Care facilities are anticipated to arrive from the state in the next few weeks. In the meantime, any agency needing PPE supplies can contact the Region 3 office for assistance.

We also have put together some informational packets loaded with LTC emergency planning materials. Keeping them in our office does no good. Please call and ask for one.

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## Regional Cache Inventory Provided to All Partner Agencies

The Regional staff has completely re-inventoried all of the supplies in the Regional Cache and have rebuilt the inventory list.

This list has now been provided to each of our partner agencies and the supplies are available now.

For more information, please contact Jim in the Regional Office.



## Upcoming Meetings:

Healthcare Preparedness Advisory Committee:  
Next regular meeting January 12, 2010 from  
1:00 to 4:00 PM at the Lincoln Center, 820 S.  
Lincoln St., Bay City, MI.

Healthcare Preparedness Regional Planning  
Board: Next regular meeting January 25, 2010  
from 1:00 to 4:00 PM at the Lincoln Center, 820  
S. Lincoln St, Bay City, MI

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### Today's Quote:

The Constitution only guarantees the  
American people the right to pursue  
happiness. You have to catch it  
yourself.

Benjamin Franklin

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The Regional Staff would  
like to wish all of our  
partners and friends a  
Very Merry Christmas  
and a Happy and Safe  
New Year!



# The Region 3 Healthcare Preparedness Network

Is pleased to announce the availability of



## **FREE!**

### **On Line Training.**

These four ~~FIVE~~ modules are now available on MITRAIN (<https://mi.train.org>)

- Region 3 MCC Operations
  - Region 3 ACC Trailer
  - Region 3 MCI Trailer
  - Region 3 Radio Systems
- **NEW COURSE! - REGION 3 ORIENTATION!!!**

***The 1<sup>st</sup> four offer EMS CE credit!***

To find the courses, after registering and logging into MITRAIN, go to the "Course Search" tab (at the top of the page) and click on "Key Word Search" under the Search Options (on the left side of the page.) Type in "Region 3" and the courses will be listed. Just select the course you want.

Contact the Region 3 office with any questions or problems.

***Enjoy your FREE learning experience!***

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