

The Region 3 News Update

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WHO PanFlu Alert
Level

1-3 (few human infections)

U.S. Terrorism Threat Level

Yellow

Threat Level for Domestic
and International Flights:

Orange

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SPECIAL EDITION

REPORT ON KEY **REGIONAL ACTIVITIES** **FOR GRANT YEAR 2009-** **2010**

As we finish the 2009-2010 grant cycle, the Regional Office is continuing its practice of providing a brief review of the major activities during this very eventful and productive year.

October, 2009:

- 100% on 800 MHz drill and highly successful drills of satellite phone and video confernece systems. and highly successful drills of satellite phone and video confernece systems.
- Lisa Cross started at the Regional Pandemic Planner.
- PanFlu Phase 2 funding provided to all hospitals.
- Additional online educational module introduced on MITRAN – “Region 3 Orientation”
- Megan Norton, our Regional Administrative Assistant resigned to accept a new position in her degree field.

November 2009:

- 100% on 800 MHz drill and highly successful drills of satellite phone and video confernece systems.
- Jennifer Stefaniak began as our new Regional Administrative Assistant
- Second successful PIO confernece held with very good reviews by attendees.
- Joint meeting of the Planning Board and Advisory Committee held to discuss long range planning.
 - John Shaffer elected Chair and Kay Lapp elected as Vice Chair of the Board, William

Jerome elected Chair of the Advisory Committee and Cori Upper elected Vice Chair.

- Kathe Martin, RN, began as our new Assistant Regional Coordinator.

December 2009:

- 100% on 800 MHz drill and highly successful drills of satellite phone and video confernece systems.
- Region 3 began work on a Regional MI Volunteer Registry Champion project with OPHP.
- Long Term care resources made available through the Regional Office.
- Regional Inventory updated and provided to all partner agencies.

January, 2010:

- 100% on 800 MHz drill and highly successful drills of satellite phone and video confernece systems. and highly successful drills of satellite phone and video confernece systems.
- Board approved change to Regional Antibiotic Cache as presented by the Pharmacy Committee.
- Dave Guterriez named the Region 3 ESAR-VHP Champion.
- Regional Office began offering PortaCount Training to all partner agencies as well as medical clearance form review.

February 2010:

- 100% on 800 MHz drill and highly successful drills of satellite phone and video confernece systems.

- Regional Pandemic Flu Planner accepted another position and Cari Hillman hired to fill the position.
- Region 3 awarded a grant for an additional video confernece unit which would be placed at Cass City Medical Clinic & Rehab. Center

March 2010:

- 100% on 800 MHz drill and highly successful drills of satellite phone and video confernece systems.
- Region completes PanFlu Hotwash
- Region leads effort for Statewide EMTrack Mutual Aid Agreement allowing all Regions and OPHP to share patient tracking information.
- With the assistance of Region 2 South, developed Statewide Event Calendar for coordination of events, meetings, etc.
- Board pursues purchase of a Zimek unit for disinfection of EMS and other vehicles.
- Marlette Regional Hospital added to the Region 3 Video Confernece network.
- SNS resources earmarked for Long Term Care received and placed in storage. LTC agencies informed of these resources and how to request them.

April 2010:

- 100% on 800 MHz drill and highly successful drills of satellite phone and video confernece systems.
- Board approved a cooperative reimbursement project for MCA's.
- PanFlu funding programs completed with over 96% use of all funds.

May 2010:

- 100% 800 MHz drill
- Deployment tests and inspection exercises begun for all MCI and ACC trailers
- Region 3 Medical Coordination Center participated in the regional "MayDay" exercises.
- Planning Board passed an unanimous resolution thanking LT. Harry Partridge, MSP, for his long support and hard work toward the success of the Region's activities on the occasion of his retirement.
- Region sent out a survey of all hazard preparedness to all LTC agencies in our 14 counties with a 30+% return rate.

June 2010:

- 100% 800 MHz drill
- Joint strategic planning meeting held with the Planning Board and Advisory Committee to develop plans and programs for the 2010-2011 grant year as well as long range plans for the next 3 years.
- Second annual Cornerstones in Preparedness confernece held June 17th with 80 attendees. Separate tracts covered special needs populations, LTC planning and rationing of care, decon of special needs populations and pediatric disaster planning.

July 2010:

- 100% on 800 MHz drill and highly successful drills of satellite phone and video confernece systems.
- Zimek unit received and training and deployment begun.
- Psychological First Aid training held with over 45 attendees from throughout the Region and the State.
- Fundamentals in Disaster Management course held – first in Michigan with over 20 providers trained. Region approached by the Society of Critical Care Medicine to become a center of excellence for this program.
- Region held the first in the State air deployment exercise for both the MEDDRUN packs hosted by local agencies.
- Re-formulation of the Regional Antibiotic cache completed.

August 2010:

- 100% on 800 MHz drill and highly successful drills of satellite phone and video confernece systems.
- Regional staff assist with decon training and tent set up at Covenant Healthcare

September 2010:

- 100% on 800 MHz drill and highly successful drills of satellite phone and video confernece systems.
- Regional displays set up at two county emergency preparedness events by Cari Hillman raising further interest in MI Volunteer Registry and Medical Reserve Corps.
- Laptop computers and MegaMovers begun to be provided to participating long term care agencies. Further MegaMovers to be provided to the MCI and ACC trailers as well as to interested hospitals.

As you see, the Region completed a very busy and productive year. We could have done none of this without the active participation of our regional partners.

Thank you to all.

**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**

KEY BOARD MOTIONS FOR THE 2009-2010 GRANT YEAR

October 2009 (Joint Meeting)

- ❖ Elections took place for Chair and Vice chair for the Board Committee. Only Board Members voted.
 - John Shaffer was nominated by Toney Beran for board chair. Kay Lapp supported the motion. Motion Carried
 - Kay Lapp was nominated by Toney Beran for Vice Chair. Dean Moore supported the motion. Motion Carried

- ❖ Elections took place for Chair and Vice Chair for the Advisory Committee. Only AC Members voted.
 - Bill Jerome was nominated by Kay Lapp for AC Chair. Dean Moore supported the motion. Motion Carried.
 - Cori upper was nominated by Kay Lapp and Dennis Fitzpatrick was nominated by Mary Stikeleather for Vice Chair for the AC. Dennis withdrew.

November 2009

- Executive Committee – Need to name Hospital, MCA and Health Dept rep to the Executive Committee.
 - Kathy Warszawski was nominated for Hospital representative; Motion John Shaffer/Support Kay Lapp; Motion Carried.
 - Christina Harrington continued to be the representative for the health Dept. by unanimous vote.
 - Denny Fitzpatrick was nominated to be the representative for the MCA; Motion John Shaffer/ Support Tony Beran. Motion Carried

- Request for ACC trailer to be used by St. Mary's Standish for Dec 3 drills.
 - Motion Ward Lindsay/ Support Kay Lapp. Motion Carried.
 - A friendly amendment was made to the motion by Ward Lindsay and Kay Lapp to make the exercise a regional exercise.

December 2009

- Discussion on the Zimek Machine came to order.
 - The machine and one year worth of cleaner would cost \$44294.40.
 - MMR has offered to Store the machine and Saginaw Valley has offered to handle scheduling of machine to agencies.
 - A/C Committee feels it is a worthy purchase.
 - Motion made by Eric Snidersich/ Support by Dean Moore: Motion carried to take to the state.

- MI Volunteer Registry Champion project & Funding Request. By Asst. Coordinator.
 - 7500.00 from OPHP is being given as a grant.
 - 7000.00 from implementation (MVR Medical Reserve Corps items)
 - Total \$14,500.00 as total amount given to Champion
 - Motion by Kay Lapp/ Support by Bill Jerome; Motion carried.

January 2010

- Status Report on Pan Flu Phase 2 and Phase 3 supplemental Funding for hospitals & MCA's.
 - Discussion was made on wither or not to extend the dead line.
 - Decision was made to send letters out to the hospitals with a list of justified equipment. The hospitals must get back to Region 3 by February 15th letting us know the intensions and spending plan of the money. If the dead line is not made then the Phase 2 money is lost. Then updates would be brought back to the board at the February meeting.
 - Motion Tony Beran/ Support Bill Jerome. Motion Carried.

- Discussed Cornerstones Conference (6/17/2010).

- An estimate of \$20,000.00 was made to be needed for the Conference.
 - Motion Bill Jerome/ Support Dean Moore. Motion Carried
- Discussed Psych first Aid training in July.
 - An estimate of \$9000.00 was made for cost.
 - Motion Bill Jerome/ Support Harry Partridge
- Report on Regional Cache; by Coordinator.
 - Funds are running low in our storage supplies funds due to H1N1 causing a large amount of supplies being delivered to the warehouse.
 - We are asking for \$10,000.00 to cover rest of storage fees.
 - Motion Harry Partridge/ Support Bill Jerome. Motion Carried
- Proposed change in Regional Antibiotic Cache
 - There were hospitals willing to take medication that is soon to be expired over to Haiti. Was information was taken to the state and was denied by them.
 - Meds will be returned to the ware house then guarantee returns.
 - Motion Kathy Warszawski/ Support Kathy Azarovits
- Proposed change in date of Sept. Advisory Committee meeting
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- AC meeting.
 - OPHP has scheduled a healthcare preparedness conference for September 14th. Discussion was made on wither to cancel the September Advisory meeting or to move it.
 - It was decided to move it to September 21st.
 - Motion Harry Partridge / Support Tony Beran. Motion Carried

February 2010

- Additional funding was asked for EM Track Mobile scanner updating and training , ACC & MCI trailer deployment testing and inventory, Annual Calibration of third PortaCount Unit, Video Conference unit for Marlette, and additional money for Psych first aid conference (due to additional printing cost etc).
 - Motion: Kay Lapp/ Support: Ward Lindsay
- Discussion on Funding LTC for MIHAN access was discussed.
 - Due to additional information about the subject the board decided against this at this time.
- Discussion of patient Tracking System took place.
 - Don't want to pay for air cards due to them not working right.
 - Motion: Kay Lapp / Support: Denny Fitzpatrick
- Request for registration , mileage and other approved expenses for up to 2 from each hospital and MCA county to attend the Spring Homeland Security Conference-per last years guidelines (funds already approved by OPHP)
 - Motion Ward Lindsay; Support Kay Lapp

March 2010

- The board feels that the Zimek is an important tool and directed Jim to write OPHP voicing their continued interest in the unit and requesting a statement on the approval status within 2 weeks of receipt of the letter. If denied, request that a detailed justification be provided.
 - Motion: Toney Beran / Support: Eric Snidersich. Motion Carried
- Communication & Technology Group would like to give \$10,700 per county to MCA's to disburse to EMS and first responder agencies to use as they need within guidelines provided by the Region. Total of \$149,800.00.
 - Motion: Dean Moore/ Support: Kay Lapp. Motion carried
- MEMS Workgroup would like to purchase 100 8 G Flash drives to disburse template total of \$2000. Board supported drives with our Regional name on them, if possible.
 - Motion: Tony Beran/ Support Kay Lapp. Motion carried

- Training and Exercise group proposed spending \$20,000.00 for a Fundamentals of Disaster Management Course.
 - Motion: Tim Bolen / Support: Kathy Azarovitz. Motion Carried.
- PanFlu group proposed spending \$14,850.00 for 550 Copies of Communicable Disease Manual for hospitals, LTC, EMS and others.
 - Motion: Kay Lapp / Support: Dean Moore. Motion Carried
- Request approval of up to \$10,000 for full air deployment exercises of both MEDRUN packs.
 - Motion: Kay Lapp/ Support: Eric Snidersich. Motion Approved.
- Request for approval of change in R3MCC staff plan.
 - There was a change made on MCC deployment.
 - Motion: Kay Lapp/ Support: Dean Moore

April 2010

- Resolution for Harry Partridge.

Resolution

Regional Planning Board

Region 3 Healthcare Preparedness Network

Let it be known that on this day, April 26, 2010, The Planning Board of the Region 3 Healthcare Preparedness Network has recognized Lt. Harry Partridge, District 3 Emergency Management Coordinator, Michigan State Police, for his many years of service to the 14 counties of Region 3. His tireless work and many accomplishments have been key toward improving the safety, security, and well-being of the Region's citizens.

We would like to thank him for his continued support and efforts in the interests of our Region.

- Motion: Charlie Thompson/ Support Tony Beran. Passed unanimously
- A proposal was made for regional reallocation of remaining PanFlu Phase 2 & 3 Funds designated use. By Kay Lapp.
 - ✓ The board felt spending the funds on one more PortaCount Machine and on a variety of sizes of Nitrile gloves would be most beneficial for the region.
- Motion: Dean Moore and Tony Beran. Motion Carried
- Annual Agency Certification of Region 3 equipment/ supply inventory status. By Coordinator.
 - ❖ The Deadline was March 19th. One Hospital has not responded. Request of guidance on next steps was asked.
 - ✓ It was decided that the best course of action would be sending a letter to the agency's CEO and finding out if we are contacting the right representative for the Inventory Project.
 - Motion: Harry Partridge /Support: Tim Bolen. Motion Carried.
- Hospital Evacuation Group is looking in to purchasing Mobile Vulnerability Assessment Tool. This helps let you know what your agencies vulnerability is. The group met with a representative. The equipment was tested in Lansing. This has been talked highly about. They are Requesting approval of up to \$40,000.00 for system for hospital security assessments.
 - Motion: John West /Support: Harry Partridge. Motion Carried.
- Discuss plans for MCA Cooperative Reimbursement Project initially denied by OPHP.
 - The board decided to let MCA's know we are going to try to get this grant and to get things ready if it passes so if it passes we can meet the time line.
 - Motion: Tony Beran/ Support: Eric Snidersich
 - Request approval of up to \$14,000 more for attendees to Spring Homeland Security Conference and June 18th deadline for submission of reimbursements.
 - Motion: Dean Moore / Support: Eric Snidersich. Motion Approved.
 - Request for mileage reimbursement for interested Advisory Committee and Board members to attend the September 14th Healthcare Preparedness Conference in MT. Pleasant.

- Motion: John West / Support: Harry Partridge.

May 2010

- Board decided to add to the plans a SOP for cleaning the machine and consequences for not cleaning it. The consequences would be a \$250 fee and situation would be brought to the board. They also want a check off list made for cleaning. They also want to make sure the machine is not stored in freezing temperatures.
 - Motion: Eric Hutson /Support: Harry Partridge. Motion Carried.

June 2010(Joint Meeting)

- A motion was made by the board to allow Board members to collect payment for mileage for the joint meeting.
 - Motion: John Shaffer/ Support: Kay Lapp. Motion Carried

July 2010

- The AC committee discussed purchasing 40 Lap tops for LTC agencies. For MIHAN, MITRAIN ect.
 - Motion Kay Lapp/Support Christina Harrington .Motion Carried
- Communication & Technology Group- discussed spending 52000.00 to maintain LTV1200 vents.
 - Motion: Kay Lapp / Support: Eric Snidersich. Motion carried
- Hospital Evacuation Group – discussed Purchase of 65 Evac-u-slings at \$200.00
 - Motion: Eric Snidersich / Support: Faith Fahrner Motion denied. Due to finding a better product.
Eric Snidersich brought a Mega Mover. The Board felt it was a better idea to purchase 650 of these instead due to the fact that the Mega Mover cost ~\$20.00 a piece and the Evac-Q-Sling costs \$200.00 a piece
Motion: Kay Lapp / Support: Kathy Warzawski. Motion carried.
The Evacuation work group also talked about purchase of additional EvacQSlings as year end budget washout item.
This was amended to purchase Mega Movers instead for a wash out item.
Motion: Kay Lapp / Support: Kathy Warzawski. Motion Carried.

August 23, 2010

- Proposed to send 10 to each LTC agency. Then Place 11 in each ACC and MCI trailer.
 - ✓ Revised purchase plan for end of year budget washout
 - Nitrile Gloves
 - Additional Mega Movers
 - Disposable Coveralls
- Coordinator went through the budget. We estimate about \$43000.00 is going to be left over for this grant year. We won't know exactly.
- The board tried on and looked at all the gloves they discussed the pros and cons of the different gloves. The board decided to spend up to 15000.00 the purple Kimberly Clark gloves. 15000.00 On Mega movers and 15000.00 on Paper Coveralls
If there is money left over it needs to be discussed further.
 - ✓ Motion: Tony Beran/ Support: Eric Snidersich. Motion Carried.
- The board made a motion to approve all of the items for listed October 1st. Bruce has stated that he will not sign the implementation Request until written approval of the application is received from OPHP. Motion: Toney Beran / Support: Eric Snidersich Motion Carried.
 - Approval for meeting dates for 2011.
Motion Tim Bolen/ Support: Kay Lapp

September meeting- Canceled.

MEETING SCHEDULE THROUGH DECEMBER, 2011

Advisory Committee for FY 2011: (all at 1:00 PM)

October 12, 2010 (Lincoln Center – Lecture Theater)
November 9, 2010 (Lincoln Center – Lecture Theater)
December 14, 2010 (Lincoln Center – Lecture Theater)

January 11, 2011 (Lincoln Center – Lecture Theater)
February 8, 2011 (Lincoln Center – Lecture Theater)
March 8, 2011 (Lincoln Center – Lecture Theater)
April 12, 2011 (Lincoln Center – Lecture Theater)
May 10, 2011 (Lincoln Center – Lecture Theater)
June 14, 2011 (Lincoln Center – Lecture Theater)
July 12, 2011 (Lincoln Center – Lecture Theater)
August 9, 2011 (Lincoln Center – Lecture Theater)
September 13, 2011 (Lincoln Center – Lecture Theater)
October **18**, 2011 (Lincoln Center – Lecture Theater) – **NOTE: ONE WEEK LATER THAN NORMAL!**
November 8, 2011 (Lincoln Center – Lecture Theater)
December 13, 2011 (Lincoln Center – Lecture Theater)

Regional Planning Board for FY 2011: (all at 1:00 PM unless otherwise noted)

October 25, 2010 (Lincoln Center - East Conference Room)
November 22, 2010 (Lincoln Center - East Conference Room)
December 20, 2010 (Lincoln Center - East Conference Room)

January 24, 2011 (Lincoln Center - East Conference Room)
February 28, 2011 (Lincoln Center - East Conference Room)
March **21**, 2011 (Lincoln Center - East Conference Room) – **NOTE: ONE WEEK EARLIER THAN NORMAL!**
April 25, 2011 (Lincoln Center - East Conference Room)
May 23, 2011 (Lincoln Center - East Conference Room)
June 27, 2011 (Lincoln Center - East Conference Room)
July 25, 2011 (Lincoln Center - East Conference Room)
August 22, 2011 (Lincoln Center - East Conference Room)
September 26, 2011 (Lincoln Center - East Conference Room)
October 24, 2011 (Lincoln Center - East Conference Room) – **START TIME 2:00 PM!**
November 21, 2011 (Lincoln Center - East Conference Room)
December 19, 2011 (Lincoln Center - East Conference Room)

All Meetings, unless otherwise noted, are held at the Lincoln Center, 820 S. Lincoln St., Bay City, MI.

Quote of the Day:
" Success is a journey, not a destination."
Ben Sweetland

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