

2018 STATEWIDE MEDICAL AND HEALTH EXERCISE HOSPITAL OBJECTIVES

APPLICABLE CAPABILITIES

- Health Care Preparedness and Response Capability 2: Health Care and Medical Response and Recovery Coordination
Goal for Capability: Health care organizations, Health Care Coalitions, and their jurisdictions collaborate to share and analyze information, manage resources, and coordinate strategies to deliver acute medical care to all populations during emergencies and planned events. Simultaneous response and recovery operations result in a return to normal or improved operations.
- Health Care Preparedness and Response Capability 4: Medical Surge
Goal for Capability: Health care organizations – including hospitals, emergency medical services (EMS), and out of hospital providers – deliver timely and efficient care to their patients even when the demand for health care services exceeds available supply. The Health Care Coalition coordinates information and all available resources for its members to maintain conventional surge response. When an emergency overwhelms the Health Care Coalition’s collective resources, the Health Care Coalition facilitates the health care system’s transition to contingency and crisis surge response and its return to conventional standards of care.

PROPOSED OBJECTIVES

OBJECTIVE ONE

Alert and notify Hospital Command Center (HCC) staff of infectious disease event within 10 Minutes. *Health Care Preparedness and Response Capability 2: Health Care and Medical Response and Recovery Coordination*

Sample Task(s):

- Utilize and test redundant communication systems, Hospital Emergency Alert Radio, of facility status of the incident within 60 minutes.
- Make appropriate notifications to staff (email, overhead page, etc.) HCC status within 10 minutes.

OBJECTIVE TWO

Activate and staff the HCC within 45 Minutes. *Health Care Preparedness and Response Capability 2: Health Care and Medical Response and Recovery Coordination*

Sample Task(s):

- Notify EMS DOC of HCC open/closure status from HCC email address within 30 minutes.
- The Incident Commander will establish the command structure, setup the Incident Command System (ICS)/Hospital Incident Command System (HICS) and assign positions within 30 minutes of initial incident notification
- Alert all facility staff, including leadership, of HCC activation and relevant points of contact within the HCC staff via such as email, text, or other internal notification system within 45 minutes.
- Activate hospital Emergency Operations Plan.

OBJECTIVE THREE

Develop an Incident Action Plan (IAP) and conduct associated meetings (e.g., incident briefing) within the first operational period. *Health Care Preparedness and Response Capability 2: Health Care and Medical Response and Recovery Coordination*

Sample Task(s):

- Gather information to review organizational ability to provide medical, behavioral health and information as needed to patients.
- Report and document the incident by completing and submitting required forms (201, 204s, 215A or IAP), situation reports, documentation, and follow-up notations to HCC staff and relevant facility staff within 60 minutes of HCC activation or start of operational period.
- Disseminate the approved IAP, to include the sharing of IAP information in incident briefings and dissemination of the IAP with internal HCC staff.
- Include operational objectives for demobilization/recovery planning in each operational period.
- Participate in OCHCA PIO conference call, develop hospital press release that is unified with OCHCA PIO press release and submit to HCC for information sharing.



OBJECTIVE FOUR

Assess and report initial hospital situation status and capability to provide care to Emergency Medical Services within one hour of event. *Health Care Preparedness and Response Capability 2: Health Care and Medical Response and Recovery Coordination*

Sample Task(s):

- Provide complete HAVBED report with real information on the bed status/bed capacity consistently, within 1 hour of receiving request, to the EMS DOC.
- (Optional) Complete and submit confidential reports of suspected cases of novel virus to Orange County Health Care Agency Epidemiology.

OBJECTIVE FIVE

Activate and implement Medical Surge, Pandemic and Fatality Management Plans within one hour post activation of the HCC and deliver timely and efficient care. *Health Care Preparedness and Response Capability 4: Medical Surge*

Sample Task(s):

- Examine current capability and develop additional strategies to increase and expand isolation surge capacity as needed utilizing the MINTe System
- Identify resource constraints limiting surge capacity and describe strategies to increase resources within incident action plans and objectives
- Identify patients with access and/or functional needs and describe strategies to address those needs within incident action plans and objectives
- Assess resource requirements during each operational period based on the evolving situation and coordinate with internal and external partners as necessary to obtain necessary resources during surge operations.
- Enhance infectious disease surge response capabilities by implementing expanded patient screening (for signs, symptoms, and relevant travel and exposure history), deploying clinical decision support systems, and utilizing alternative care locations within the facility to treat highly pathogenic infections.
- (Optional) Assess and identify available resources to support fatality management plans to include expanding morgue storage and capabilities.
- Activate Continuity of Operations Plans (COOP) where applicable and include COOP status updates within staff briefings and operational objectives