

2018 STATEWIDE MEDICAL AND HEALTH EXERCISE LONG TERM CARE FACILITY & SKILLED NURSING FACILITY OBJECTIVES

APPLICABLE CAPABILITIES

- Health Care Preparedness and Response Capability 2: Health Care and Medical Response Coordination

Goal for Capability 2: 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 4: 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

Activate the Nursing Home Incident Command System (NHICS) and the facility Command Center (if applicable) within 45 minutes of incident notification, to provide a structured and successful emergency response. *Health Care Preparedness and Response Capability (HCPRC) 2: Health Care and Medical Response Coordination*

Tasks Identified:

- Identify immediate resource needs for the next operational period and communicate them to their city emergency management (SimCell) within 60 minutes.
- Initiate and coordinate Incident Action Planning by conducting a briefing for all staff and beginning to compile an Incident Action Plan (IAP) within 60 minutes.
- Communicate with clinical and non-clinical staff and patients to notify them of Command Center activation and incident response strategies, as appropriate, within 15 minutes of activation.

OBJECTIVE TWO

Maintain awareness of the common operating picture by gathering and sharing real-time information related to the emergency, the current state of the health care delivery system, and situational awareness through coordination with their local jurisdiction emergency management and local Health Care Coalition partners. *Health Care Preparedness and Response Capability (HCPRC) 2: Health Care and Medical Response Coordination*

Tasks Identified:

- Utilize Pre Established communication plans and document in activity logs. Within 15 minutes, communicate scenario specific procedures for information sharing for staff to follow.
- Utilize and test redundant communication systems such as email, fax, phone, etc. to notify city jurisdiction (SimCell) and/or other response partners of the center's status and resource needs if any, within 60 minutes.
- Coordinate and document response strategies, resource availability and needs to city jurisdiction (SimCell) and/or other response partners within 60 minutes.
- Complete and submit confidential reports of suspected cases of novel virus to Orange County Health Care Agency Epidemiology.

OBJECTIVE THREE

Determine the center's priorities for ensuring key functions are maintained throughout the emergency, including the provision of care to existing and new patients within 30 minutes. *Health Care Preparedness and Response Capability (HCPRC) 4: Medical Surge*

Tasks Identified:

- Activate any medical surge and/or pandemic procedures in the facility's Emergency Operations Plan

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- Assign present staff roles and responsibilities in preparing the facility to receive additional resources and space re-allocation within the facility.

OBJECTIVE FOUR

Prepare for medical surge operations by activating appropriate plans (e.g., Medical Surge Plan, Pandemic Plan, Mass Casualty Plan, etc.) for all levels of care and populations, and ensure all personnel have been trained in their use. *Health Care Preparedness and Response Capability 4: Medical Surge*

Tasks Identified:

- Activate any medical surge and/or pandemic procedures in the center's Emergency Operations Plan
- Assign present staff roles and responsibilities in preparing the facility to handle potentially exposed or ill individuals
- Collect and organize appropriate medical records to accompany relocated residents while maintaining Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) compliance
- Identify resources (e.g., medication, supplies, staff, etc.) that will be needed to accompany evacuated residents
- Coordinate with other long term care providers to surge non-infectious residents out of quarantine area in conjunction with local emergency responders