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Greater Franklin-Bristol RCC Meeting

Franklin Regional Hospital

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Meeting Minutes as recorded by: Ms. Donna Quinn

In attendance: James Richardson, Rick Silverberg, Donna Quinn, Joe Denning, Liz Lawrence, George Whittaker, Carol Plumb, Stephanie Clough, Maren Bicknell, Mike Drake, Steve Yannuzzi, Mary Miller, Brett Scholbe, Donald Sullivan

Introductions and Welcome

- Liz spoke of the HEAL grant. She is managing the grant on Childhood Obesity too. There is a program for after schools and a restaurant program with the aim of offering healthy choices. Additionally Liz is working with the rail trail project. There is a Heal conference on 10/26/10. The healthy homes used to be just lead abatement, but now it covers a broader scope. CCNTR is part of the leadership team for the city of Franklin's Drug and Alcohol task force.
- Rick spoke of the newsletter the "**HELPER**" and mentioned that this resource has the updates on all the programs. The newsletter comes out quarterly and is emailed to all our partners.
- Brett Scholbe spoke about the new updates to the ESU unit. The ESU is working to help clarify the direction and how to support the regions. The ICC is an entity instead of a place.
- Rick Cricenti is working to make the unit more transparent, giving the PHN's a central unit to speak with for ESF 6 and 8. Brett is in charge of Logistics within this unit, helping with SNS management etc. He is working on the SNS inventory project; this will help to determine what each region has for assets. Hopefully by 10/1/10 the program will come online, the regions will be trained on this software too. This system will allow for real-time status of the inventory, and can track new purchases, and you can adjust the stock. There are mobile units that they will take out to the regions to begin inputting data.
- The ESU is working on a radio project for the regions. This came to light as there is a lack of redundant communication. Curtis Metzger's group was able to purchase interoperable radios

(they can communicate with multiple agencies). The radios will be available to the regions, 48 channels that are radio specific, and they will be pre-programmed with state interoperable sequences.

- Jim mentioned that much of this (purchases and support) comes out of the efforts from the After Action Conference and AAR, and this system will help us to track all of these supplies. Thank you to all who participated in the After Action Conference.
- Mary Miller spoke of the changes and said the ESU changes are absolutely for the best. The relocation of folks has been helpful too. Jen Harper is the new director NH information and Intelligence Center, Fallon Reed is the head of SNS. The MACE now report to the EOC, if it is medical situation it goes to the ESF to the ESF 8 desk within the EOC, if further assistance is needed then DHHS is contacted.
- The Division of Public Health Services (DPHSP), food section has moved under the Bureau of Public Health Protection, the Health Officer Liaison has moved under this section too. The mapping unit is under this unit too. Jen Harper used to be the lead for Public Health Emergency Preparedness, this is now Chris Adamski. DPHS is under Bureau of Public Health Systems and Performance Management, Joan Ascheim is the bureau Chief for this section. For the next year we are 100 percent funded for Emergency Preparedness. Beyond that we don't know what the CDC's focus will be.
- Under the reorganization process it was determined that the Franklin-Bristol Region and Plymouth Region and the Lakes Region were to stay the way they are currently. All 15 assessments will be completed soon.
- Mary explained the language for how we frame the public health regions and networks. CCNTR is the host for the Greater Franklin-Bristol Region, which is the public health network serving this region.
- Mary spoke of the work plan, and how the workplan will be updated etc. Jim mentioned that he felt the visit was helpful. Mary spoke of the survey monkey that we do quarterly, and compare them against the workplan. Jim said that he posted the PHERP on the web-page, the group agreed that it does not need to be private, the only caveat to that would be cell phone numbers.
- Mary also spoke of the rollover of the CDC money; the state is in the process of putting together amendment paperwork, workplans, etc. Training and professional development for coordinators will be on the list, the national conference will be Atlanta in February as part of the professional development effort. Mary spoke of sheltering, ESF 6, our PHN group will be there to support special needs sheltering, that is where we come in with the MRC etc.
- Maren spoke of the immunization program, new recommendation is for seasonal flu vaccine for 6 months and older. ACIP has recommended this, and there will be a great deal of public communications regarding this. 9/22/10 the pilot program passed GNC; Mollen is a national company that was awarded the RFP. The state looked at this model for mobile immunization clinics, as a sustainable way to offer vaccine. Parents can sign up on-line; also there will be packets of hard copies if needed too. They will supply screens, vaccinators etc. The immunization coordinator will assist the school if needed. Mollen will look to hire temporary

help, medical and non-medical component from local communities. Newfound has signed on, Franklin will not choose to do this year, Andover Elementary/Middle has not decided and Maren will meet with Winnisquam next week. The last week in October will likely be the kick off of these clinics. The school appreciated local feel to the H1N1 clinics, all Mollen personnel will have background checks. They must report to the student's medical home regarding the vaccine. There is also a development piece that will look at going forward, preschool and up for this educational toolkit. There will be a flat fee, not aware what it is yet.

- There was a discussion around vaccinating the first responder community; there is no free flu vaccine this year, other than for children.
- Joe spoke of the Citizen Corps; he asked for a vote to accept the new CERT grant funds, Chief Yannuzi made a motion, it was seconded by Chief Drake and all were in favor. Grant amount is \$11,250.00
- Joe then asked for acceptance of the MOU for the trailer, Chief made a motion, Chief Sullivan seconded this all accepted this motion after discussion. Jim said the SOG will be online soon,
- Donna spoke about the close out of the MRC mini grant through CHI; it will end on 9/30/10. Additionally the NACCHO grant for \$5000.00 has been submitted; word of this award should come in December. Next week there will be a joint orientation between the Greater Franklin-Bristol and Greater Plymouth MRC.
- Jim spoke of Steve Carrier leaving, and mentioned that Chief Drake agreed to be new MACE manager to replace Chief Carrier. Jim also mentioned that an additional responsibility of the MACE management team was to authorize deployments of our CERT and MRC Unit volunteers as the region has no legitimate authority to authorize the use of human or material resources. The committee agreed that this was the case and was wise to have an E.M.D. assume the responsibility of the use of regional resources.
- Jim spoke of the exercise for late winter, early spring, -- in a general sense there will be no time, to plan, how to open multiple MACE's and POD's. February- March time frame. Mary spoke of the Joint Regional Exercise between the Franklin-Bristol Region and the Plymouth Region; it is the first of its kind.
- ICS 402, which is a 2 hour overview of Incident Command that specifically has elected officials and Chief Executive as the target audience will be offered in the region maybe around the first of the year.
- Chief Drake mentioned that there will be some ICS training for the New Hampton Prep School

**The meeting was adjourned at 1100 next meeting is: November 30th
Next meeting location is tentatively scheduled for the Alexandria Town
Hall.**