



Greater Franklin-Bristol Regional Coordinating Council

July 26, 2011

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- Rick opened the meeting at 0905 and spoke of the new Regional Public Health Emergency Annex, this annex replaces the previous public health emergency response plan. The new document is designed to flow more easily with the local Emergency Operations Plans. The plan is available in CD format for communities and agencies.
- Jim mentioned that the new Annex includes POD plans. These updated POD plans are about 250 pages of comprehensive information relating to each of the POD sites (Winnisquam and Newfound). Jim also mentioned that he is currently working from a 3 month workplan and in the process of updating the operational plans for the ACS and NEHC as part of that workplan.
- Lee thanked Jim and Rick for allowing him to be a part of the POD updates and mentioned that this information was more cumbersome than we expected it would be. But as a result of this project we have a comprehensive list of resources and our POD facilities.
- Jim mentioned that there is a signatory page that will be signed by all EMD's accepting this new Annex and POD plans. Also the POD plans will be reviewed by the State SNS Coordinator, Fallon Reed at the upcoming TAR (Technical Assistance Review) review on August 29, 2011. This is the first TAR for this region. Jim asked how we should proceed with the 3month workplan, in terms of a vote. As we did not have a large group in attendance it was discussed that the workplan would be emailed to RCC members.
- Rick made a motion and Pat approved it for the 3month work plan, it will be blasted out by email.
- Donna's spoke of recent activities of the CERT and MRC unit:

~Heather Makechnie was hired to work on marketing, recruitment and retention strategies within the 14 communities in our region. The contract she was hired under ran from February 1- June 30, 2011.

A total of 4 informational sessions were held in this region and these sessions were open to anyone wanting to learn more about the CERT/MRC program.

At the completion of this campaign we gained 14 new members, which was a 50% increase. Of those new only 2 of them are for CERT the remaining new members are MRC.

The first new member orientation session is on July 26th from 630-8.

~GFB CERT and MRC are now on Facebook and Twitter! You can also view our MRC profile online at www.medicalreservecorps.gov. This profile is updated monthly as part of CBA agreement with NACCHO. Additionally we participate in a yearly technical assistance review with our Regional MRC Coordinator. The next review will be on August 8th if anyone is interested in participating in this with us.

~The unit has been busy with training and community events. : Kid ID, IA training, Family Preparedness, ID badging training. The next training event will be on August 6th and is our annual appreciation/ training day. We will offer HIPAA, STEP And NIMS that day, and volunteers can choose which offering they would like to attend.

~ The Citizen Corps Council is also looking for a new vice-chair needed for Citizen Corps Council, anyone interested please contact Jim. The group wished to thank to Joe Denning for all is support over the years.

- Jim mentioned that AmeriCorps Volunteers will be working on shelter site assessments throughout the state. Not each site or each region will be chosen; currently we are waiting to hear more of this project. This project is designed to provide more information on local and regional shelters, in a sense cataloging these community resources. When possible Jim will participate in these reviews.
- Jim spoke about the new targeted capabilities, the state choose 5 capabilities to work on : PHN are:
 - ~Community preparedness – RCC membership, formalize the process of fitting the annex into the LEOP. Jim asked if we really need an MOU with the municipalities, or should we just use the signatory page?
 - ~Mass Care—speaks about shelter plans
 - ~Med Surge—we will be complete the NEHC and ACS
 - ~Volunteer management- MRC marketing and recruiting
- The CDC capabilities video was shown to the group
- Rick spoke about the NH Child Nature Network and the upcoming Golden Spike ceremony for the Rail Trail.

September 27th next meeting at Bristol Fire
Meeting adjourned at 1040