HEALTH AND MEDICAL PREPAREDNESS UPDATE

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STAFF CHANGES

• Bureau Chief
• Division Director
• Assistant Deputy Secretary for Health – Cindy Dick
NEW DIRECTIONS

• Build local public health and medical capacity and capability
  • Public Health – County Health Departments
  • Medical – Healthcare Coalitions
    • Florida gives 47% of the Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response (ASPR) grant directly to HCCs
    • HCCs examine their capabilities and use funding to fill gaps
    • Request for Proposal (RFP) posted and sub-awardee contracts issued
    • Funding tied to workplans
WHY?

• State ESF-8 make take up to 72 hours to deploy personnel and other resources to assist counties
  • Responder safety and health issues

• Local jurisdictions know their needs better than the state ever will

• Local partnerships are imperative – response is a group effort!

• Is it perfect? Nope, but it’s an evolving process
THE VALUE OF STAYING LOCAL
OUR PARTNERSHIP WITH YOU

BPR Expectations:

• 100% Accountability
  • One team, one voice
  • If it leaves BPR, it better be right
  • Integrate, integrate, integrate
  • Make the best use of federal funds

• Train staff to be ready to respond
  • Provide practice scenarios and job aides

• Focus on employee recruitment and retention
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Healthcare Coalitions

• Engage as many healthcare continuum partners as possible
  • Think outside the box
  • Establish partnerships pre-event

• Be fiscally responsible
  • You have rules… we have rules…

• Do what’s best for the community