Homeland Security Advisory Committee (HSAC) and Minnesota Department of Health (MDH)  
Joint Meeting  
Wednesday, September 14, 2016  
1400 – 1545 hours  
Minnesota State Emergency Operations Center (SEOC)


MDH Members Present: Care Providers of MN Doug Beardsley, Mpls Health Department Pam Blixt, MDH Director Deb Burns, North Memorial Ambulance Dan DeSmet, MDH Commissioner Ed Ehlinger, MDH Sandra Hanson, MDH Susan Klammer, MDH Whitney Koester, ECHO Director Lillian McDonald, MDH Raj Mody, Isanti County Commissioner Susan Morris.

Guests Present: DPS Assistant Commissioner Bob Hawkins, DPS Lonna Hunter, HSEM Jon Huspek, BCA Bill O’Donnell, EMS Regional Board Rose Olson, MNDOT Doug Stahl.

1. Updates

A. Commissioner of Department Public Safety (DPS) – Mona Dohman
   i. The basic assessment of Homeland Security hasn’t changed much over the past few years, which isn’t really a good thing.
   ii. There’s a big need for a level of awareness.
   iii. There’s an increase in homegrown violent extremists’ who can strike with little or no notice.
       • Increase public awareness and vigilance continuously.
       • No tip is too big or too small.
       • Help spread the message, “If you see something, say something”.
   iv. MN Threat Assessment
       • No reported credible threats for Minnesota.
   v. The Ryder Cup Tournament is coming up.
       • Being an international golf tournament, it could be a target.
   vi. We are in the planning stages for the 2018 Super Bowl.
   vii. As we move forward to all of these events and work through these events, we need to remember to educate the people around us in the communities “If you see something, say something”.
   viii. Other events to keep in mind:
       • Twin Cities Marathon.
       • Crashed Ice.
       • Significant holidays of different religions.
• Winter Carnival.
ix. State level Cyber Security.
• Minnesota’s top priority.
x. Minnesota’s Fusion Center.
• Hard at work to protect the people of Minnesota, the best way we can.

B. Commissioner of Minnesota Department of Health (MDH) – Ed Ehlinger
i. The 9/11 anniversary is a reminder of how the world has changed and gave us a chance to look back over 15 years today.
• What worked and what didn’t work and we can learn from that.
ii. We all prepare in different ways, as a reminder as we prepare to prevent a disaster.
iii. Get your flu shot.
• That is emergency preparedness.
iv. There has been a release of obesity data.
• Obesity is a national security issue.
v. Working on reducing diabetes.
• Diabetes is a huge problem, just waiting to explode.
vi. Zika Virus is a huge threat.
• Minnesota has over 4 cases due to traveling and some sexual transmittance.
• Minnesota is having to pull money from the Public Health Emergency Preparedness.

C. Director of Minnesota Homeland Security and Emergency Management – Joe Kelly
i. Our nations has spent $1 trillion on Homeland Security, since September 11, 2001.
ii. The funding levels for the main Homeland Security Grants Programs is essentially the same as it was last year, but significantly less than 10 years ago. That means that the work that is being done today, including your advice, your opinions, your feedback, more important as we look forward to the 2017 Grant Awards next year.
iii. Michelle Schaber will be sending out the Grant Allocation Spreadsheets.

2. Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2016 Homeland Security Program (SHSP) Grant Allocation – Investment Total $3,978,000 To Be Awarded To The 8 Investments

A. Fusion Center - $40,000
i. BCA $40,000

B. Cyber Security – $1,034,820
i. MNIT $1,034,820

C. Chemical, Biological, Radiological, Nuclear, Explosive (CBRNE) and State Emergency Response Teams – $602,580
i. Bomb – Crow Wing $103,780
ii. Bomb – St Paul PD $90,000
iii. Bomb – Minneapolis PD $117,800
iv. Bomb - Bloomington $81,000
v. Metro Transit $120,000
vi. MAC $90,000

D. Interoperability Communications System (Interop) – $769,000
i. ECN – pass through to local $750,000
ii. U of M $19,000

E. Mass Care/Mass Casualties - $63,250
i. MESB $50,000
ii. HSEM R. 2 Itasca County $10,750
iii. MAC $2,500

F. Community Preparedness - $187,750
   i. HSEM R. 6 $168,000
   ii. MAC $19,750

G. Strengthen Planning – $1,280,600
   i. HSEM $755,600
   ii. HSEM R. 1 Mower County $90,000
   iii. HSEM R. 2 Itasca County $90,000
   iv. HSEM R. 3 NW RDC $90,000
   v. HSEM R. 4 W Central EMS $90,000
   vi. HSEM R. 5 Sibley County $90,000
   vii. University of Minnesota $75,000

H. Law Enforcement & Terrorism Prevention (LETP) - $0

3. Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2016 Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) Grant Allocation -
   Investment Total $5,430,000 To Be Awarded To The 10 Investments

A. Chemical, Biological, Radiological, Nuclear, Explosive (CBRNE) $668,485
   i. Anoka $143,000
   ii. Dakota $175,000
   iii. Hennepin $64,000
   iv. City of Minneapolis $75,000
   v. Ramsey $37,600
   vi. City of St. Paul $135,200
   vii. Washington $18,000
   viii. Carver $13,185
   ix. Sherburne $7,500

B. Strengthen Planning $1,817,315
   i. Anoka $20,000
   ii. Dakota $155,000
   iii. Hennepin $219,200
   iv. City of Minneapolis $500,100
   v. Ramsey $255,000
   vi. City of St. Paul $554,400
   vii. Washington $45,200
   viii. Carver $27,915
   ix. Isanti $27,000
   x. Scott $13,500

C. EOC/ Common Operating Picture $632,600
   i. Anoka $20,000
   ii. Dakota $30,000
   iii. Hennepin $150,700
   iv. Ramsey $133,700
   v. City of St. Paul $221,000
   vi. Washington $25,000
   vii. Carver $13,200

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viii. Chisago $5,000  
ix. Isanti $20,000  
x. Scott $14,000

D. Interoperable Communications System $152,755
   i. Anoka $19,200  
   ii. Dakota $75,000  
   iii. Hennepin $4,150  
   iv. Ramsey $6,905  
   v. City of St. Paul $20,500  
   vi. Washington $27,000

E. Law Enforcement and Terrorism Prevention $605,150
   i. Hennepin $244,350  
   ii. City of Minneapolis $240,000  
   iii. Ramsey $54,800  
   iv. City of St. Paul $5,000  
   v. Washington $58,000  
   vi. Chisago $3,000

F. CI/KR Local Analysis $251,048
   i. City of Minneapolis $162,300  
   ii. Ramsey $348  
   iii. City of St. Paul $41,300  
   iv. Isanti $300  
   v. Sherburne $46,800

G. Public Notification & Community Preparedness (Reverse 911) $375,447
   i. Hennepin $295,000  
   ii. Ramsey $347  
   iii. Chisago $46,300  
   iv. Isanti $7,000  
   v. Scott $26,800

H. Fusion Center State/MNJAC IJ $585,000
   i. BCA/Fusion Center $560,000  
   ii. Dakota $25,000

I. Building State Capacity IJ $254,500
   i. HSEM $254,500

J. Cyber Security $87,700
   i. Anoka $15,000  
   ii. Dakota $28,700  
   iii. Washington $44,000

4. Operation Stonegarden Grant Program (OSGP) awarded to the 7 border counties (Kittson, Roseau, Lake of the Woods, Koochiching, St Louis, Lake and Cook) - $471,872

5. Port Authority Grant
   A. Has been removed from the state grant distribution. Congress has chosen to pay them directly.
6. FY2016 Total Homeland Security Grant Program - $9,879,872

   A. A motion was made and seconded. The consensus was taken and passed.

7. MDH Report

   A. Judy Seaberg, MDH Healthcare Preparedness reported: The Statewide Burn Surge Plan is near completion. There are two American Burn Association certified burn centers in MN. We have developed 10 burn surge facilities across the state that can hold a patient for 72 hours before transfer. Expect there will be exercises of the burn surge plan. MDH is also developing a Crisis Standards of Care plan. This would be used during events that would necessitate an alternate standard of care. The overarching draft plan is done and will be sent to the Crisis Standards of Care Steering Committee for further comment and revision. A contract with the University of MN Center for Bioethics is in place to develop the ethical framework for Crisis Standards of Care. A public engagement component will follow to make the public aware of the plan. Will look to members to help with the initiative. Judy also reported that the Ebola State Concept of Operations plan is ready to be distributed. She noted that the statewide mobile medical team in Central Minnesota can provide medical care for FEMA Type 1 or 2 emergencies.

   B. Cheryl Petersen-Kroeber, MDH Director of Emergency Preparedness and Response reported that Operation Northern Lights is an example of many different partnering agencies participating together. She said that MDH will be replenishing ChemPacks this fall. One Cache will be moving to a new location. MDH hired a new regional Public Health Preparedness Consultant for the Metro. The public health preparedness funding opportunity for the next five year project period is expected in January 2017. The Emergency Preparedness and Response Management Team will be doing strategic planning to prepare for the next project period. The Health Partnerships Division has hired a communications coordinator, who will be working closely with Emergency Preparedness and Response. Currently, she is working on Zika communications. She will also be doing outreach with partners at the local level in the future. Super Bowl planning has started and both state and local health departments are working on being ready. The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) published new emergency preparedness requirements for certified health facilities in the US. The requirements will go into effect November 2017. The State Community Health Services Advisory Committee (SCHSAC) Public Health Emergency Preparedness Oversight Group met to discuss the reduction in funding for the PHEP grant. A subcommittee of the work group, Funding Formula, developed a revised funding formula for the next five year project period. The formula will be recommended to the full SCHSAC and if approved, will be used starting with the first budget period of the next five year cycle (beginning July 1, 2017).

8. Next HSAC Meeting


9. Mark Your Calendar For The 2017 Quarterly Meetings

   C. MDH/HSAC – February 21, 2017, 1:00 – 3:00, meeting location will be announced.

E. MDH/HSAC – September ?

F. HSAC - December ?

The meeting adjourned at 3:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Sandra Lutz