What is the Health Strategic Ops. Center?

• Health Strategic Operation Center (HSOC)
  • Health Emergency Operations Center (HEOC)
  • Local Distribution Center (LDC) (warehouse)

HSOC Grant Areas of Focus

• Public Health Emergency Preparedness (PHEP)
• Hospital Preparedness Program (HPP)

Overview of PHEP

• PHEP – Public Health Emergency Preparedness
• After September 11, 2001 – health departments needed a bigger role in disaster response.
• Funding allocated to health departments to help counties:
  • Prepare
  • Respond
  • Recover
• All counties receive PHEP grants – amount dependent upon population size
Overview of Hospital Preparedness Program (HPP)

• Collaborates with the health care community to improve emergency preparedness and response capabilities in the county.

• HPP areas of focus include:
  • Hospital Incident Command System (HICS)
  • Hospital Patient Decontamination Response

Overview of HPP – Health Care Coalition

• In order to alleviate the influx of patients to hospitals, the coalition’s aim is to strengthen all other health care facilities (non-hospital i.e. clinics, dialysis centers, etc.) to provide a greater support network throughout the County of Orange.

To Support the Areas of Focus

HEOC + LDC + TRAINING

Health Emergency Ops. Center (HEOC)

What it is

• Supports the field and their operations
• Aids with various resources
• Supports service areas with their incidents and events
• Supports the Operational Area (OA) with their health response

What it is NOT

• Does NOT command the incident
• Does NOT control the incident
• Does NOT direct any field tactics

Its Role

• Collects information
• Coordinates actions and communications
• Ensures those affected work together in sync
• Ensures data, information, and essential information is communicated appropriately.

Local Distribution Center (LDC)

• Central shipping location for Medical Counter Measures (MCM) within Orange County
• Houses surplus disaster supplies for all health care partners, as well as partnering agencies/organizations as needed.
Training & Exercises

Training/Courses
• National Incident Management System (NIMS/ICS)
• Standardized Emergency Management System (SEMS)
• Weapons of Mass Destruction (WMD)
• Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)
• Decontamination
• Incident Response to Terrorist Bombings
• HIOC Response – Position Specific
• Many more upon request

Drills/Exercises
• Monthly
  • Radio Operations
  • ReddiNet Operations
  • Disaster Health Volunteers Notification
• Annually
  • MCM/SNS/POD
  • Hospital Preparedness Program
  • State-Wide Medical Health Ex.
  • Biological Detection System
• Triennial
  • John Wayne Airport MCI
  • Federal Coordinating Center (FCC)

Questions