2011 Statewide Medical and Health Exercise

# Hospital Objectives

Exercise design objectives focus on improving understanding of a response concept, evaluating emergency response procedures, identifying areas for improvement and achieving a collaborative attitude. Exercise planners are expected to tailor these objectives to their specific exercise needs and capabilities or develop additional objectives, as necessary.

## Target Capability: Communications

Determine/evaluate the facility’s ability to communicate with response partners including water and utility authorities, law enforcement, other health care entities, local health department, fire service, emergency medical services providers, local emergency medical services agency , community organizations and emergency management agencies as appropriate to jurisdictional response.

## Target Capability: Intelligence/Information Sharing and Dissemination

Review/test the adequacy of the information management plans and develop messages for patients, families, staff and the general public in coordination with local authorities (e.g., Joint Information System), law enforcement and health care providers in a rapid and timely manner for internal and external (e.g., media, community) dissemination.

Discuss options to communicate facility needs to outside sources (e.g., vendors, suppliers, local emergency medical services agency, city/operational area medical health point of contact, corporate health care system) for essential supplies, services and equipment to ensure integrity of resource supply chain.

Discuss/exercise the ability to provide situational status and projected impact on service provision with response partners, other health care providers, law enforcement and local authorities per operational area standard.

## Target Capability: Medical Surge

Discuss/test the ability to sustain operations and provide patient care services in response to a disruption in the basic water service.

Discuss/test the capability to evacuate patients or respond to a surge in the number of patients related to a disruption in the public water supply to the facility.

## Target Capability: Emergency Operations Center Management

Review/evaluate the ability to develop Incident Action Plans for response and recovery; share plans with Operational Area and Regional partners.

Review/test alert and notification procedures to and from the local Emergency Operations Center.