2011 Statewide Medical and Health Exercise

# Long Term Care Facility

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 local health departments, other health care entities, community organizations, emergency management agencies, water and utility authorities as appropriate to jurisdictional response

## Target Capability: Intelligence/Information Sharing and Dissemination

Review/test the adequacy of the information management plans and technology for gathering intelligence and sharing information with external response partners, water and utility authorities, local health department and emergency management authorities.

Review/test the adequacy of the information management plans and technology for gathering intelligence and sharing information as appropriate internally with employees, patients and visitors.

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

## Target Capability: Medical Surge

Discuss/test the ability to sustain current operations or to move patients across the continuum of care including government- authorized alternate care sites and homes.

## Target Capability: Emergency Operations Center Management

Discuss/exercise the ability to activate the Emergency Operations Plan, hazard specific plans and the Nursing Home Incident Command System where indicated.

Discuss/exercise the ability to activate the command center and initiate incident action planning for event response and recovery.