



# 2018 NCTTRAC Coalition Surge Test: Final Planning Meeting

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# Coalition Surge Test: Summary

- Annual exercise requirement for the HPP Grant
- Tabletop exercise with Functional elements
- “Low/No-Notice” Exercise:
  - Exercise will be conducted within the next month
- This year, will simulate evacuation of 20% of the acute care beds from the participating facilities

# Coalition Surge Test: Summary

The CST is broken into 2 phases:

- Phase 1:
  - Tabletop Exercise with Functional Elements (90 min)
  - Facilitated Discussion (~120 min)
- Phase 2: After Action Review on April 3, 2018
  - During the NCTTRAC Training and Exercise Workgroup Meeting

# Coalition Surge Test: Exercise Objectives

- To determine the amount of time it takes to:
  - Determine number of evacuating patients
  - Determine available beds in the HCC
  - Identify appropriate beds for evacuating patients
  - Identify appropriate transportation for evacuating patients

# Coalition Surge Test: Final Planning Meeting

# Final Planning Meeting: Objectives

- Report Exercise Planning Updates
- Address Outstanding Issues
- Review Exercise Schedule

# Current Exercise Planning Status

- Exercise Format (Day of Exercise)
  - Part 1: Perform facility to facility/partner communications to identify bed space and transportation for patients from evacuating facility
  - Part 2: Discuss regional evacuation considerations and HCC members role
- There is no specified event scenario

# Exercise Facilitation

- On the day of the exercise:
  - 7:30 AM: Bed Reporting Drill on EMResource
  - 8:30 AM: Email sent out to notify NCTTRAC members of Coalition Surge Test
  - 10:00 AM: Assessors/Evaluators arrive at Evacuating Facilities
  - 10:30 AM – 12:00 PM: CST Part 1A (Facility to Facility Communications)
    - Other regional partners are asked to track their exercise play, especially the number of patients they agree to accept or transport
  - 12:00 PM – 2:00 PM: CST Part 1B (Facilitated Discussion/Hotwash)
    - Webinar information will be provided via email
  - 2:00 PM: EndEx
- After Action Review: April 3, 2018 @ 11:15am-12:15pm



# Exercise Facilitation

- Begin all exercise communications with **“This Is An Exercise”**
- Evacuating Facilities should follow current evacuation plans to communicate with the region, will be provided list of exercise receiving facilities/EMS that can be contacted.
- Regional partners (e.g. Receiving Facilities, EM, PH, etc) may be contacted during the exercise. Respond to the inquiry as if it was a real.
- All exercise participants should note questions, challenges, and ideas for this type of scenario and share during the facilitated discussion.

# Exercise Evaluation

- EM Solutions staff will serve as Assessors (e.g. Controllers) during the exercise
  - LEAD Assessor: at NCTTRAC EMCC
  - EVAC Assessors: at Evacuating Facilities
- 3 Health Care Coalition members identified to serve as Evaluators at evacuating facilities
- Assessors are responsible for gathering Exercise Evaluation Guides (EEGs) and Feedback Forms from Evacuating Facilities.
- Other participating facilities can submit their exercise documentation via email or provided survey link.

# Exercise Reminders

- Exercises are about learning; not expected to do everything correctly.
- Facilities, partners, HCC should get as much done in the 90 minutes as possible doing things the right way. Do not rush the process.
- Consider how this type of situation would affect your facility/agency if it happened to you.

# Next Steps

- ~~Initial Planning Meeting: January 19, 2018~~
- ~~Mid-Term Planning Meeting: February 6, 2018~~
- Final Planning Meeting: March 6, 2018 (web-based)
- Coalition Surge Test: within next month
- After Action Review: April 3, 2018
- After Action Report/Improvement Plan: May 2018

# Questions?



Thank You