

PHEP Update 4/9/2024

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### PHEP Grant

NJACCHO worked with Local Health Departments to assess and identify certain capabilities and gaps relating to emergency preparedness.

Surveys for the following areas were created this past December and January and went live the end of January.

- Capability 1 – Community Preparedness
- Capability 4 – Emergency Public Information and Warning
- Capability 6 – Information Sharing
- Capability 13 – Public Health Surveillance and Epidemiological Investigations

Surveys were promoted through various avenues including NJACCHO Forum, BOD, HCC meeting, email to all 103 HD Hos.

Analysis completed and provided to NJDOH 2/29/24. Further analysis performed March 2024 to breakout responses by Health Department type IE Municipal, Regional (more than one town) or County LINCS. NJDOH Summary report and Capability PowerPoints with Health Department type data attached.

### Training and Education

Goal for 2024 is to provide opportunities for membership to expand and refresh knowledge with a focus on preparedness.

First training opportunity completed on the Introduction to FEMA online classes and Introduction to the Incident Command I-100. The training was broken into 3 One-hour sessions and held on 2/21, 3/6/ and 3/20 providing attendees with 1 PH CEUS for each session. Trainings were recorded and archived

A review of the “40 Hour Bio-Terrorism Program” is underway for the next training to held during the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter.

NJACCHO programs for Risk Communication with John Hopkins is scheduled.

“Risk Communication for PH Professionals: Smart Strategies to Spread Knowledge & Contain Crises”  
Dates - April 16, 18 & 30.

NJACCHO training opportunity for Medical Reserve Corp through MRC Strong Training Grant progressing. Training agenda complete with dates of May 8, 13 & 14.

### Outreach

Continued attendance for several monthly meeting for OPLH, LINCS, Vaccine Provider Calls, HCCs and Assoc

Attended New Jersey HealthCare Coalition Strategic Planning Meeting on 3/21/20 in Princeton NJ.

Attended the NACCHO Preparedness Summit in Cleveland OH 3/25/24 to 3/28/24.

Planned attendance to NJEPA conference on 4/22/24-4/26/24.

Preparedness Committee chairs met 4/2/24 to discuss meeting schedule, preparedness topics and trainings and recruit new committee members. Next meeting schedule for 5/7/2024 at 11AM.

Assistance to Local Health continues as requested with additional field visits to be planned.