



PUBLIC HEALTH PREPAREDNESS SERVICES

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CORE COMPETENCIES



PANDEMIC RESPONSE



PLANNING



TRAINING AND EXERCISES



GRANT ADMINISTRATION



STAFF AUGMENTATION



KEY EXPERIENCE

Indiana State Department of Public Health (ISDH)

GP Strategies was contracted to staff (43 total positions) and provide office locations (including lease, data/phone outfitting and furnishing logistics) within each of the 10 Indiana Homeland Security Districts to engage and enhance planning, training, exercising, Cities Readiness Initiative, and volunteer management activities. GP Strategies staff coordinate closely with the ISDH Public Health Preparedness and Emergency Response Division staff as well as other state and local preparedness partners, such as the Indiana Department of Homeland Security, county emergency management agencies, local health departments, law enforcement, hospitals, and community health centers, to assess and further develop all public health preparedness and emergency response plans, policies, and procedures. This initiative ensures consistent, statewide program performance that meets and exceeds federal public health preparedness requirements.

Tennessee Department of Public Health

GP Strategies was contracted to provide design, coordination, and facilitation of seven hospital-based pandemic influenza exercises. These exercises were hybrid tabletop/functional, taking certain aspects and methodologies of each type. GP Strategies maintained a Project Work plan and coordinated pre-exercise planning for the project manager. Scenarios were developed to allow acute care hospitals to conceptually and functionally exercise their facilities' pandemic influenza response plans, policies, procedures, and capabilities. Exercises met or exceeded the minimum exercise-related requirements published in the Hospital Accreditation Standards for Emergency Management Drills by the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's Pandemic Influenza Guidance Supplement to the Public Health Emergency Preparedness Cooperative Agreement, Phase II. GP Strategies was responsible for designing, planning, and coordinating hospital influenza exercises for 124 hospitals across Tennessee.

Maryland Department of Public Health

GP Strategies developed, coordinated, and conducted the statewide pandemic influenza Public Health preparedness functional and modified-functional type exercise with embedded full-scale components over a two-and-one-half-day exercise evolution. This was followed by a one-day statewide Schools System Pandemic Influenza Tabletop Exercise (TTX) that focused on Maryland State Schools System Pandemic Influenza preparedness issues. A total of 117 attendees from across the state were present at the TTX, representing public schools in 19 counties; independent schools; along with state agencies such as the Department of Juvenile Services, Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, and the Maryland State Department of Education.

North Dakota Department of Public Health

GP Strategies was contracted to plan, develop, facilitate, and evaluate pandemic influenza tabletop exercises for eight public health regions and five tribal jurisdictions. GP Strategies reviewed the North Dakota Department of Health (NDDoH) Emergency Operations Plan, Pandemic Response Plans, related procedures, and relevant emergency preparedness training agendas/reports in order to develop the challenging scenario package for the tabletop exercises. GP Strategies facilitated planning meetings across the State with stakeholders to gain input for the scenario and to coordinate logistics. GP Strategies worked with approximately 300 stakeholders and managed all logistics of securing facilities and participant registration services. GP Strategies conducted the 13 tabletop exercises, providing an After Action Report (AAR) for each jurisdiction, as well as an integrated statewide AAR/Improvement Plan.

Massachusetts Department of Public Health

GP Strategies was contracted for the Integrated Statewide Exercise Program and conducted 14 public health TTXs in various communities across the Commonwealth. This four-phase program was designed to assist the Massachusetts Department of Public Health (DPH) and Executive Office of Public Safety (EOPS) develop and execute exercises in a variety of disciplines. GP Strategies coordinated with communities across the Commonwealth to assess, plan, and develop their capabilities to receive and distribute Strategic National Stockpile (SNS) assets through the Receipt, Staging, and Storage (RSS) facility and Emergency Dispensing Sites (EDSs) during a medical emergency.

Iowa Department of Public Health

The Iowa Department of Public Health (IDPH) contracted with GP through their 6 HRSA Regions to conduct Incident Command System training for hospital staff as part of their overall training program. The program culminated with an interactive tabletop exercise to validate the participants' implementation of the principles of incident command during a simulated emergency. The primary focus of the exercises was to test and evaluate surge capacity and the implementation of the Hospital Emergency Incident Command System (HEICS).

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