




SPHERR

Practice Exchange Call

Friday, January 3rd, 2020

2:00 - 2:45 PM EST | Noon - 12:45 PM MST | 11:00 - 11:45 PST



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**Welcome (back)
and
Happy New Year!!**





Meeting Agenda
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Agenda

Topics

1. Your preparedness work
2. Poll-Today my Health Dept. is:
3. Intent To Play Letter
4. The Give: Integrating SyS and Preparedness Guidance Doc--Organization

Co-chairs: Charlie Ishikawa and Bill Smith

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Agenda Item	Time (E P)
Welcome, agenda and administrative (Bill)	2:00 11:00
Today my PH Department is... (Charlie)	2:03 11:03
Intent to Play SURRF-EX Doc Send Out (Bill)	2:15 11:15
The Give: Integrating SyS and Preparedness Guidance Doc-Organization Bill Smith and Charlie Ishikawa	2:20 11:20
Conclusion (Bill) 1. Next steps 2. What's making you happy?	2:43 11:43

Snapshot Poll: Today my Public Health Agency is...

SURF-EX Intent to Play: Introduction Letter Example and Suggestions



SURF-EX Intro Letter

- Establish Relevance to EM
- Help with CPGs/Workplan
- Sponsor Information
- Purposes of Exercise
- Type of Exercise
- Time Commitment
- Intent to Play/Extent of Play
- Customizability
- Email Body/First Page Intent



Syndromic Surveillance Rapid Response Functional Exercise (SURF-EX)

Date: Spring 2020 (date TBD to maximize participation)

Did you know that:

- The phrase “Syndromic surveillance” is used 16 times in the January 2019 PHEP Capabilities [Guide](#).*
- Syndromic Surveillance is specifically mentioned as an example activity for:
 - Capability 6: An information system to decrease reporting time and increase collaboration.
 - Capability 13: Syndromic surveillance is emphasized as an example of data collection that can improve situational awareness and responsiveness to hazardous events and disease outbreaks.
- There are tools to help integrate Syndromic surveillance and emergency management

The Syndromic Surveillance and Public Health Emergency preparedness, Response, and Recovery Committee (SPHERR) of the National Syndromic Surveillance Program (NSSP) Community of Practice would like to cordially invite you to participate in the first Syndromic Surveillance Rapid Response Functional Exercise (SURF-EX).

The purposes of SURF-EX are to:

1. Determine ability to rapidly develop a query for syndromic surveillance of a newly emerging health threat.
2. Incorporate relevant jurisdictional stakeholders in information flow and to practice sharing information to increase situational awareness and inform potential response activities.
3. Determine the ability to prepare and share timely, relevant syndromic surveillance information to inform emergency managers and other stakeholders.
4. Determine interjurisdictional collaboration abilities and opportunities.

SURF-EX will be a Limited Scope, Multi-Jurisdictional, Multi-Level Functional Exercise of the ability to rapidly develop initial versions of queries to provide timely information to emergency management on an emerging health threat.

It is anticipated that this will be a half-day exercise, including 2 hours of exercise play, and a 1 hour “hot-wash” after the exercise.

An Intent to Play/Extent of Play document is attached. It is intended to aid collaboration between emergency management and surveillance/epidemiology participants in planning out specific plans/documents to be exercised, mutually agreed-upon objectives, and extent of play. It is intended to be modified by jurisdictions according to your goals and objectives, as needed.

*Public Health Emergency Preparedness and Response Capabilities; National Standards for State, Local, Tribal and Territorial Public Health (October 2019; updated January 2019)

**The Give:
Integrating Sys and Preparedness
Guidance Doc-Organization
Bill Smith and Charlie Ishikawa**



Wrap-Up

- Action Items / Next Steps
- What's making you happy?

Next Meeting | P/E Call
Friday January 17th, 2020 @2 PM EDT