

# Preparedness at a Glance

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## On the RADAR: Upcoming Deliverables

The purpose of this rotating list of the upcoming deliverables is to serve as a reminder of the tasks local health departments need to complete. Since many of the deliverables are due by the end of the fiscal year – June 30, 2014, our goal is to encourage LHDs to develop a plan on how you will work on the deliverables throughout the year.

### Core Deliverables

#### • Joint Meetings

- Participate in Joint Meetings, Conference and ITVs.
- The next ITV is scheduled for May 14, 2014 1:30 – 3:30
- The next Face to Face Joint meeting will be part of the ESF8 Conference June 9 – 11 in Louisville.

#### • Planning

- LHDs will develop, review and update (as necessary) the Local Health Department's jurisdiction SNS Plan. Update SNS Plan and Points of Dispensing (POD Book) Plans. **Due March 31, 2014.**
- LHDs will define their role in a mass fatality event. Coordinate with local Coroner to define the role of LHD staff during a Mass Fatality Event. **Due March 31, 2014.**

### MRC Deliverables

#### • Medical Reserve Corps Tasks

- Update the MRC unit's information and activities on the DCV/MRC website **by March 31, 2014**, Contact: [Heather.Walls@ky.gov](mailto:Heather.Walls@ky.gov) for more information.

### CRI Deliverables

#### • CRI Tasks

- LHDs identified as CRI counties will participate in all required CDC reviews, drills and exercises. **Due by March 31, 2014**

### HPP Deliverables

#### • HPP Planning Coordinate HPP planning activities

- Coordinate HPP response and planning activities to protect and enhance healthcare essential services and priority assets in order to ensure continued healthcare delivery to the community during a disaster. **Due June 30, 2014**

**Deliverable documentation must be uploaded or updated in Catalist unless otherwise designated**

## Deliverable Highlight – LHDs will Define their role in a Mass Fatality Event

To meet this deliverable LHDs need to meet with their local coroner and find out what role has been assigned to the LHD in the event of a Mass Fatality Event. Also, if possible, ask for a copy of the plan so the LHD will have it in writing. This is due by March 31, 2014 and the information should be uploaded into Catalist.

## Local News:

### Calloway County Health Department to Promote National Severe Weather Preparedness Week

By Tina Massengill

During National Severe Weather Preparedness Week NOAA (National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration) and FEMA (Federal Emergency Management Agency) highlight the importance of preparing for severe weather before it strikes. These agencies ask that we "Be a Force of Nature" by knowing our risk, taking action, and being an example where we live.

Calloway County Health Department will "Be a Force of Nature" in their jurisdiction during March with a community-wide educational campaign about emergency preparedness. The campaign will encourage the community to evaluate the level of readiness in the event of an emergency by providing education about emergency preparedness measures, such as compiling a pet emergency kit as well as home and car emergency kits. The campaign will include newspaper advertisements, website links, digital signage, and handouts/flyers.

Community partners such as the local school district, United Way, and local society groups will assist in the campaign by distributing educational e-mails or handouts about inexpensive severe weather preparedness tips and checklists.

The specific target population of the low-income, indigent community members will be reached through a partnership with NeedLine and Murray Housing Authority to provide educational information to their clients. During National Severe Weather Preparedness Week, March 2-8, any person who receives assistance from Needline, WIC, or the HANDS program will receive a small emergency kit, along with preparedness educational information.



### Madison County LHD Holds First Annual Regional KOIN Members Meeting

Submitted by Hilary Dolstad

Richmond—Members of the Madison County KOIN (Kentucky Outreach and Information Network) came together in early February to discuss communications and preparedness for vulnerable populations. The Madison County LHD has been working since the fall of 2013 to update its KOIN distribution list in order to provide important health and safety information to disparate groups within the county.

The KOIN was developed by the Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Family Services to ensure that the state's most vulnerable and hard-to-reach populations can receive critical health information. Madison County LHD generates local alerts and also forwards relevant state alerts to its KOIN partners. As they deem appropriate, local KOIN partners then pass the information along to the vulnerable populations within their network.

Since this fall, Madison County LHD has conducted a concerted outreach effort to increase its reach within the community. Attendees at the first annual KOIN meeting included representatives from the migrant outreach program, a federally qualified health center, a domestic violence shelter, a food pantry, and several other organizations. A representative from White House Clinic indicated that the meeting was "very informative and helpful," and other participants have already followed up on the LHD's offer to provide preparedness education to their clientele. Madison County LHD plans to continue developing the county KOIN membership and to make the local KOIN meeting an annual event.

### Madison County MRC Hosts Wilderness Certification

Submitted by Christie Green

Madison County MRC volunteers hosted a 16-hr Wilderness First Aid certification class on February 1<sup>st</sup> and February 8<sup>th</sup>. During a strategic planning session in last summer, volunteers had identified WFA as a certification that would expand their skill sets. Training costs for Madison County volunteers were covered by funds from the 2014 NACCHO MRC Capacity Building Award. Thanks to Clarinda Sheffler, MRC Coordinator, for planning and coordinating this event.





## News from the Branch: Welcome David Fifer, New Region 8/9 RPC

A graduate of ECU, David began his emergency services career at the Marshal's Office of the United States Supreme Court, and later was The George Washington University's EMS Coordinator before returning to Kentucky a couple of years ago. An EMT since the age of 16, he joins us from the Montgomery County Fire/EMS department where he served as a professional Firefighter/Paramedic and HazMat Technician and continues to volunteer. He also currently serves as an Emergency Response Coordinator for the National Disaster Medical System's Incident Response Coordination Team.

David lives in Richmond, where he serves on the ECU Alumni Association Board of Directors and is a volunteer rope rescue and SAR technician in the Red River Gorge. He loves the outdoors, plays the banjo, and is excited to join the public health preparedness team.

## ESF8 Conference Rescheduled to June 9 – 11

We apologize again for having to reschedule the conference but the decision was necessary to ensure everyone's safety. June 9 – 11 was chosen because the Joint meeting was already scheduled for June 11 and we combined the two events (Three including the MRC meeting) to minimize disruption in everyone's busy schedule.

We are in the process of contacting the presenters to schedule their sessions. Once this is complete we will be able to provide additional information.

You will not have to register again in TRAIN for the conference, however if classes are cancelled due to the unavailability of the presenter you will be contacted so you can make changes to the classes you want to attend.

# KENTUCKY EMERGENCY SUPPORT FUNCTION (ESF) 8 FIRST ANNUAL CONFERENCE 2014



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**Crowne Plaza Louisville Airport**  
**830 Phillips Lane**  
**Louisville, KY**

## Training - Know How

<b><u>Nuts and Bolts and POD Training – Lincoln Trail DHD</u></b> Contact: Mike Harmon	<b>March 19</b>
<b><u>ICS300 ITV – Bowling Green, Lincoln Trail DHD and Mercer CHD</u></b> Registration on TRAIN Course ID1048538 8:00 AM - 3:00 PM CT Contact Jerrod Wright/Mike Harmon/Rebecca Hardin	<b>March 26-28</b>
<b><u>ICS300 – Ashland, KY</u></b> Registration on TRAIN at 1048712 Contact John Hunt	<b>April 8 – 10</b>
<b><u>ICS400 ITV – Barren River and Lincoln Trail DHD</u></b> Registration on TRAIN Course ID1048540 7:30 AM - 3:30 PM CT – Barren River District Health Department Contact Jerrod Wright/Mike Harmon	<b>April 16-17</b>
<b><u>ICS300 – Floyd County LHD</u></b> TRAIN number pending Contact: Kim Hall	<b>April 23 – 25</b>
<b><u>MGT Public Information WMD/Terrorism</u></b> Registration on TRAIN, Course ID 1048554 Contact Mike Harmon or Barbara Fox	<b>May 6 - 7</b>
<b><u>ICS400 – Floyd County LHD</u></b> TRAIN Number pending Contact: Kim Hall	<b>May 22 – 23</b>
<b><u>Multi-Hazard Planning for Childcare Facilities</u></b> 6:30 – 9:30pm Campbell County EM Registration required at: <a href="http://goo.gl/OUvxF5">http://goo.gl/OUvxF5</a>	<b>April 3</b>

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## Events and Exercises

<b><u>ESF8 Preparedness Conference – Louisville</u></b> TRAIN registration required. Course ID 1046745 Contact: Kim Yazell	<b>March 3 – 5</b>
<b><u>Severe Weather Exercise – Various Locations</u></b> Contact Grant Gillion	<b>March 11</b>
<b><u>Storm Ready 2014 Serve Weather Workshop</u></b> Owensboro Christian Church - 6:00-8:00pm Contact Margaret Hibbs	<b>March 17</b>
<b><u>Lessoned Learned from Joplin - Long Term Recovery – Dr. Renee White</u></b> Green River District Health Department - 6:00-8:00pm Contact Margaret Hibbs	<b>March 20</b>
<b><u>East KY Preparedness Coordinators Meeting – Floyd County LHD</u></b> Contact: Kim Hall, John Hunt or Jarrod Crase	<b>April 16</b>
<b><u>Tri-State SNS/CRI Exercise</u></b> Contact: Shannon Gregory or Lloyd Peniston	<b>April 16 – 17</b>

### Holiday Reminder

KDPH and most Health Departments will be closed on the following day:  
**½ Day - April 18 – Good Friday**

## Daylight Saving Time Ends Sunday, March 9, 2014

Remember to set Spring Forward and set you clocks **AHEAD** one hour when you go to bed on Saturday night. This is also a good time to check the batteries in your smoke detector and carbon monoxide detector and change **ALL** the batteries in the house.