



Hospital Surge and Conversion Site Planning

October 30, 2012
2:00 - 3:15 EDT

Purpose

This program will provide participants with valuable information for planning for a medical surge event at a healthcare facility.

Learner Objectives

Upon completion of the program, the participant will:

- define “Medical Surge” .
- list the essential components of a Surge Capacity Plan.
- discuss the global aspects of a successful Surge Capacity Plan.
- have an awareness to locate additional resources to assist with plan development.
- apply the essential components of Conversion Site Planning.

Recent disaster events throughout the nation have resulted in healthcare facilities experiencing increased medical surge capacity emphasizing the need for a definitive Medical Surge Plan. Medical Surge capability is a health care system’s ability to expand rapidly to manage increased demand for patient care in the event of large-scale public health emergencies. Disaster events create an imbalance between the supply and demand for resources; surge planning diffuses the overwhelming increase in demand for medical care. Effective planning for medical surge requires the coordination of multiple resources, including beds, supplies, equipment, physical structure, and especially, staff. Hospital policies to mobilize staff and, in some cases, other outside agencies is an especially important piece of the Surge Plan. This program presents an overview of how healthcare facility planning, activation, management and evaluation of Medical Surge using alternate care and conversion site planning can lessen the impact of a mass casualty incident.

Presenters

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AGENDA		
Time	Title/Topic	Presenter
2:00	Welcome, Purpose & Objectives	Kay Croy , RN, BSN, MEd. Hospital Preparedness Program Florida Department of Health
2:05	Introduction of Speakers	Kay Croy , RN, BSN, MEd Hospital Preparedness Program Florida Department of Health
2:06	Defining Medical Surge for Hospitals	Janet Steves
2:15	Components of a Hospital Surge Plan	Janet Steves
2:15	Conversion Site Planning	Mickey Watson
2:30	Resources for Surge Planning	Janet Steves
2:50	Questions	Janet Steves Mickey Watson
3:05	Wrap Up & Next Steps for the Future	Kay Croy , RN, BSN, MEd. Hospital Preparedness Program Florida Department of Health
3:10	Continuing Education Units & Evaluation Instructions	Kay Croy , RN, BSN, MEd. Hospital Preparedness Program Florida Department of Health

Additional Resources:

[Florida Department of Health, Bureau of Preparedness & Response – Training and Exercise Planning](#)

[Homeland Security Exercise and Evaluation Program \(HSEEP\)](#)

[Homeland Security Exercise and Evaluation Program – Medical Surge](#)

[California Hospital Association – Emergency Preparedness - Preparing Hospitals for Disasters](#)

[New York City Emergency Preparedness – Hospital Training, Drills, & Exercises](#)