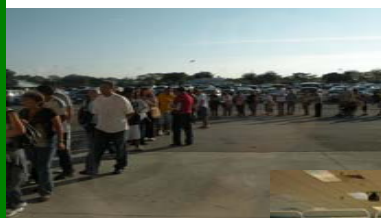


What is CRI?

In the event of a catastrophic public health emergency, large segments of the population may need to receive medications quickly. In densely populated areas, such as Miami Dade County, this becomes a daunting task that requires a high level of efficiency and community cooperation.

The Cities Readiness Initiative (CRI) is a federally funded program designed to prepare cities to dispense needed medical countermeasures in the form of drugs and medical supplies to their populations within 48 hours of the decision to do so.



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The Cities Readiness Initiative and You

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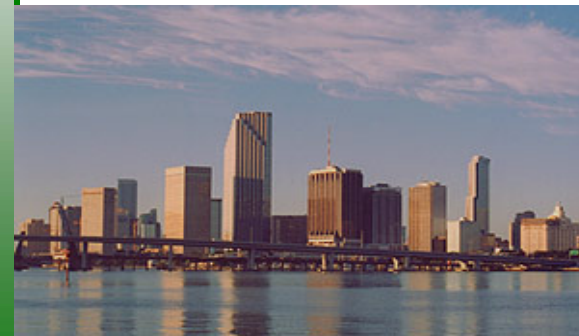
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Cities Readiness Initiative Closed POD Overview

The CRI Plan

If an incident that requires the large scale dispensing of medications to Miami Dade County residents and visitors, the Miami Dade County Health Department (MDCHD), working with federal, state, and local agencies, will activate a county wide network of sites to dispense medications.

These sites, called "PODs" or Points of Dispensing, will be operated by the MDCHD and will be open to the public. These PODs will be highly strained in any event



where the entire population of Miami Dade County needs to get medications in a short period of time. To increase our ability to reach the entire population within the required time frame and to reduce the burden on public PODs, the MDCHD is partnering with organizations such as yours to establish Closed PODs.



WE NEED YOU!

Closed PODs are private dispensing sites that will provide medications or supplies to a specific group of people. By partnering with public health, business, universities, military installations, faith based, and community organizations are taking steps to ensure their populations are taken care of without having to visit a public POD. Your personnel and their families receive essential medications more quickly, your organization keeps operating, and crowds are reduced at public PODs. *Everybody wins!*

Closed POD Partner Role

- ✓ Developing a Closed POD plan
- ✓ Participating in training and exercise opportunities
- ✓ Dispensing medications following Miami Dade County Health Department guidance during declared public health emergencies.

Miami Dade County Health Department Role

- ✓ Pre-event planning and technical assistance
- ✓ Developing training and exercise opportunities
- ✓ Coordinating the allocation and transfer of assets at the time of an event