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New BETS Staff

The Bureau of Emergency and Trauma Services welcomes two new staff members this week:

- Jeff Eastman of Plymouth has been hired as a Community Health Consultant. Jeff is a Critical Care Paramedic (CCP), and has a bachelor’s of Science in fire science administration and a master’s in public administration. Jeff comes to IDPH from Mason City Fire Department and volunteers with the Plymouth Fire Department. With nearly 10 years of experience in emergency services, Jeff will assist EMS services, medical directors and hospitals with technical assistance. Please feel free to contact Jeff at 515-418-2441 or jeff.eastman@idph.iowa.gov
- Danny Dowd has been hired as a Statistical Research Analyst. Danny is a graduate of Iowa State University with a bachelor of science with a major in statistics. He comes to IDPH from the Principal Financial Group where he worked as an IT analyst. He has experience in software development as well as creating data graphical output. Danny will help BETS analyze the large amounts of data submitted to the bureau from local public health departments, hospitals, and EMS services across the state. He can be reached at 515-725-1204 or via email at danny.dowd@idph.iowa.gov

Hospital Response Funding Application Released

IDPH has released an application for Hospital Response funding (# FO#152066 - Hospital Response). The intent of this application is to allow IDPH to more quickly deploy response funds in future health emergencies. The 6-year term of this application will allow IDPH and hospitals to bypass the application process for each individual response effort that may become available. In other words, this one application will cover ALL response funding opportunities for the next six years. The application will establish a response infrastructure that will allow all of IDPH to proceed directly to dispersal of funding (through simple contract amendments) during future events. Completion of this

application does not commit your hospital to participate in any specific response effort. Each hospital will have the power to decide whether to participate in each individual future response effort as funding becomes available. The hospital will review the contract amendment which will accompany each future funding opportunity. The amendment will spell out the amount of the funding as well as the obligations that accompany the funding. Each hospital will determine whether it wishes to participate in that specific effort by either signing the amendment - or by declining to sign the amendment.

Please see additional guidance below:

- The application will cover a 6-year period beginning 4/1/16.
- Because the application is for response efforts, the application is available to all hospitals – regardless of current participation in the Hospital Preparedness Program (HPP).
- This one application will make each hospital eligible for periodic response funding as it becomes available between now and 3/31/2022.
- The application must be completed by each hospital. These funds will not go through an Emergency Preparedness Coalition.
- The application itself is a streamlined version of the standard IDPH application process.
- **Applications are due March 11, 2016.**
- The application is located on IowaGrants.gov www.IowaGrants.gov under “Funding Opportunities”
- If the person completing the application is already registered within IowaGrants.gov, click on “Returning User”
- If the person completing the application is not currently registered on IowaGrants.gov, then please see the attached registration instructions.
- Choose Application # **FO#152066 - Hospital Response.**
- Then Complete the application.

PHEP Ebola Funding Deadline Extension

The CDC has informed IDPH that the deadline for spending PHEP Ebola funds will be extended from September 30, 2016 to June 30, 2017. Once IDPH receives the revised Notice of Awards, contract amendments will be generated to formalize the timeframe extension.

EMS Service Director Workshops

The purpose of the EMS Service Director Workshop is to assist service leaders in meeting or exceeding the state requirements and enhance the ability to provide quality leadership and patient care to the communities they serve. The workshop will provide a basic understanding of the administrative rules and provide the resources to maintain compliance.

Date	Time	Location	Registration Contact
Monday March 21	6 – 10 p.m.	Crawford County Memorial Hospital 100 Medical Parkway Denison Main entrance – then conference rooms C & D	Mary.Chwirka@idph.iowa.gov
Wednesday May 18	6 – 10 p.m.	Franklin General Hospital 1720 Central Ave. E. Hampton EMS Training Rm. - Use ER Entrance	Merrill.meese@idph.iowa.gov

2016 Iowa Adult and Pediatric Patient Care Protocols

The latest versions of the protocols have been posted at <http://www.idph.iowa.gov/bets/ems/services> Service medical directors should review and authorize these new protocols. Services should also document staff training on the protocols.

Iowa Scope of Practice for EMS

The latest scope of practice document (April 2015 – Effective January 13, 2016) has been posted at <http://www.idph.iowa.gov/bets/ems/scope-of-practice>. EMS services should ensure staff have reviewed the revised scope and document training.

Pediatric Readiness

The National Pediatric Readiness (Peds Ready) Project is a multi-phase quality improvement initiative to ensure that U.S. emergency departments have the essential guidelines and resources in place to provide effective emergency care to children. In 2013-2014 all Iowa hospitals participated in an assessment as part of the Peds Ready Project. Hospitals reported on available resources and plan development related to caring for pediatric patients through the Peds Ready Assessment Portal.

The Peds Ready Assessment Portal has been reopened. Hospitals are asked to update the information in the portal to provide perspective on growth since the assessment in 2013-2014. To date, thirteen (11%) of Iowa's hospitals have completed the reassessment. IDPH is requesting all hospitals participate in this quality improvement (QI) initiative to help improve care for children. Visit <http://pedsready.org> to take the assessment and to view participation rates by state. Several Peds Ready webinars have been archived and posted to <http://www.pediatricreadiness.org>. Contact Katrina Altenhofen by phone at 515-344-1618 or katrina.altenhofen@idph.iowa.gov

Rural Isolation and Quarantine Course Feedback Requested

Monona County Public Health is interested in hosting a Rural Isolation and Quarantine course (MGT 433 & PER-308) in Mapleton, IA this spring. In order to have the most participation, they are interested in knowing how many people are interested in attending. For each individual interested, please go to <http://doodle.com/poll/hw89idikdis5qi9h>, enter your name and choose which date works best for your schedule.

For all counties that have the Public Health/Hospital Emergency Preparedness grant, the knowledge gained from this training will help your coalition when working on Capability 11: Non-Pharmaceutical Interventions. Contact Lynne Smith at Mcphp@longlines.com or 712-433-1773 if you have questions.

Training Available

In the table below are upcoming classes that may be of interest to you. Please verify any details with the course provider when registering for these classes as dates/times/locations can sometimes change.

Title	Description	Date/Time/Location	Registration Contact
ICS-300 Intermediate ICS	For personnel who require advanced knowledge and application of ICS.	February 25 & 26 Decorah City Hall	Nancy Sacquitne nsacquitne@winneshiekhealth.org
Communications Unit Leader Course	Prepares student to manage incident radio communications	March 1 – 3 Kirkwood Community College Cedar Rapids 8:00a – 5:00 p	HSEMD Registration Page
MGT 310 Jurisdictional THIRA	Prepares Student to conduct Jurisdictional Risk Assessment	March 30 – 31 Franklin County EOC Hampton 8:00a – 5:00 p	HSEMD Registration Page
ICS-400 Advanced ICS	For those who require advanced application of ICS. This course expands upon information covered in ICS-100 through ICS-300 courses.	April 12 – 13 The Security Institute 4647 Stone Ave Sioux City 8:00a – 5:00 p	HSEMD Registration Page