Semi-Annual State/FRMAC Webinar  
January 25, 2017  
Notes

All of the slides from the January 25, 2017 call have been placed on the FRMAC program web site:


Please refer to the slides for content and if additional information is required feel free to contact the individual referenced in the slides or Alvin Morris.

Additional information was provided that did not include slides from DHS/FEMA on the Rad Responder Program, updates from CRCPD and the EPA on the new PAG Manual.

Rad Responder Update for the FRMAC/State Call

- RadResponder & the NRIA – Codified as the national standard and whole community solution for the management of radiological data.

- Pre-Gotham Shield Training – March 1&2, RR Team is hosting a Northeast regional training in Middlesex County NJ. Expecting 60 -70 attendees, capacity for 100.

- Looking to coordinate other regional trainings around the country. Please email support@radresponder.net with interest.

- Upcoming Conferences  
  NREP Workshop – Monday, April 10th. “How to plan and conduct a REPP exercise using RadResponder.” We’ll hear from state users like Angela Leek regarding how they are incorporating RadResponder into their exercises, plans and procedures and extent of play agreements.

- CRCPD – Sunday, May 7th. RadResponder Training and coordination with the E-43 Committee on interagency data sharing.

- Upcoming Technical Enhancements  
  Dataset capture – Being able to customize and capture multiple sets of data in a single set. For example, easily collect a survey at 3 ft, a survey at 3 inches, an air sample and an observation in one set. Will save time and energy for field teams.

- The one-stop-shop – Looking to make RadResponder a single location for additional rad/nuc resources, documents and tools for the community. Without impacting the discoverability or the utility of its primary functions.
CRCPD Update for FRMAC Call

- The National Conference on Radiation Control will be held in Scottsdale, Arizona, May 7-11, 2017. Several presentations will be focused on homeland security and emergency response topics. In addition, an 8-hour training course will be held on Sunday, May 7, entitled “Advanced Rad/Nuc Emergency Training and Live Source Field Exercise,” using the most recent research and guidance on radiological and nuclear emergency response.

- The CRCPD’s Task Force on Radiation Volunteer Development will be holding an expanded meeting in Atlanta during the week of February 4, 2017 in Atlanta. For the past 5 years, the Task Force and the Executive Office have approved state and local radiation control and public health preparedness programs to recruit and train radiation professionals as volunteers through the Medical Reserve Corps and similar programs to assist in population monitoring in the case of a major radiological incident. Several of the sub-awardees have been invited to the meeting. The working group has developed an on-line tool kit useful in the effort and will develop a consensus training needs program to add to the tool kit.

- CRCPD continues to participate in the National Alliance for Radiation Readiness, which will be meeting in early June of this year.

- The HS/ER-5 Committee on Emergency Response Planning has completed a report on accident assessment capabilities in the states within the EPZ of reactors. This will be discussed with FEMA staff soon and should be available as a resource for states soon.

- The HS/ER-5 Committee are also starting their review of FEMA REP21 and REP22 guidance documents for input on any needed changes. If other states have comments on these documents, Ken Evans, Chair of the Committee, encourages their input to the committee through him.

- The HS/ER-5 Committee is discussing the implementation of the new EPA PAG Manual. Some states are planning to continue use of the Thyroid PAG.

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Contact: Ruth McBurney - rmcburney@crcpd.org

There is an upcoming NCRP meeting will focus on Rad Emergency Preparedness. The title of the meeting is Assessment of National Efforts in Emergency Preparedness for Nuclear Terrorism: Is There a Need for Realignment to Close Remaining Gaps? The meeting is scheduled for March 6-7, 2017 in Bethesda, MD. Registration is free. Agenda and registration information is available at www.ncrponline.org. The meeting will be live-streamed as well.

There will be called “FRMAC Laboratory Analysis: Process Overview and Lessons Learned from Recent Drills and Exercises” and will be held on March 22nd from 10-12 Mountain.
Contact: Sean Fournier - sdfourn@sandia.gov

Question or Actions from the Call

- Jeff Semancik Jeoffrey.Semancik@ct.gov
  “What is the schedule for incorporating drinking water PAGs?” Art Shanks stated that Terry Kraus or Brian Hunt should answer this question.
  Status: Email request was sent to Terry and Brian and Jeff was copied, however, Jeff’s email is NOW correct.
  Action: Bob to track email info down and Kim will notify Terry and Brian of this.

- Karl Barber kbarber@msdh.state.ms.us
  Requested copies of the training modules for Gamma Spectroscopist when complete.
  Completed: Email request was sent to Mark Allen at Sandia and Karl was copied.

- Phil Cook NRC Field Office and Kevin Clark OEM for NYC had follow up questions regarding Gotham Shield.
  Completed: Nate Russo provided his contact info and an the information was distributed to all during the webinar Nathan.russo@nnsa.doe.gov; 240.805.4168

- Chris Hallam hallam.christopher@epa.gov
  “Do you know when the AAR for Northern Lights 2016 will be available”? Answer: AAR was sent to Headquarters Monday, Jan 23rd for review. This should be out shortly.
  Action: Alvin Morris to add the following personnel to the distribution list:
  Hallam.christopher@epa.gov
  Kclark@oem.nyc.gov
  Keith.henki@health.mo.gov

- Mark Hannant mark.hannant@illinois.gov
  Would like copies of all power point slides from today’s webinar.
  Action: Presentations given to Webmaster February 1 (there maybe a 1-2 delay in posting). If something is time sensitive please contact Bob and he will send.

- Ryan Nix ryan.nix@dos.nh.gov
  Would like more information on the Community Reception Centers.
  Completed: Email request was sent to Ruth McBurney and Ryan was copied.

- Phil Hill pwhill@dps.ohio.gov
  Would like to be added to the distribution list.
  Completed: Bob added Phil to the list, as well as a number of people who sent emails following the webinar.
• Received a follow up email after the Webinar from Sara DeCair DeCair.Sara@epa.gov “Please pass on that the PAG manual is on the web and the water guidance was announced in the FR so it is official. Meantime before we get to printing final manuals, please plan to tune in to PAGs webinars we'll be hosting for varied audiences starting in February. We'll send dates and times thru this and other broadcast lists so everyone can tune in.
And yes please keep sending us questions. You'll see new FAQs on the PAGs web page so please also go look at that”.

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https://www.epa.gov/radiation/protective-action-guides-pags

Completed: An email to sign up will be distributed to all on this mailing list