

HICS FORM 202: INCIDENT OBJECTIVES



1. Incident Name: NWWIHERC Membership Meeting	2. Operational Period: December 11, 2020 0930-1030	3. Incident Location: Teleconference via Go To Meeting
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5. Attendees via Go To Meeting: See attached list of organizations represented at the meeting.

TOPIC	DISCUSSION
Call to Order	Called to order by Bob Lindberg at 0930
Welcome and introductions Approval of the Agenda	No changes to the agenda. Motion to approve the agenda as written made by Robb Paulson. Seconded by Erika Kurtz. Motion approved.
Minutes	Minutes from the October meeting were sent out prior to this meeting. Call for changes/corrections. No changes or additions. Motion made by Cheri Nickell and seconded by Natasha Cardinal to approve the minutes. Motion was approved.
Fiscal Report	Budget Period 2020-2021 Review <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Spending has been relatively small this year due to the limited traveling/conferences. Budget was approved by Office of Preparedness and Emergency Health Care. Board is aware of expenses and financials are on track.
Regional Updates	COVID-19: Open Discussion <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hospital Sector Vaccine checklist from RWHC is being revised and Aimee will send out (it was not attached to the summary email following the meeting yesterday). Most hospitals have activated Hospital Incident Command Systems since March. Even if they were “out of ICS” over the summer, the surge of the past few weeks required ICS to be activated. Working hard to plan for vaccine distribution. Curbside testing remains busy. Interfacility transfers to higher levels of care remain tight. Staffing has been a challenge with so many staff being out either sick or in quarantine due to an exposure. Public Health Sector The pandemic has been very challenging for Public Health due to lack of staffing, lack of public cooperation with guidance and contact tracing. Trying to balance and juggle so many aspects of this response including public messaging, testing, disease investigation, contact tracing and most recently vaccination planning. Looking forward to the coming vaccine!

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • WEM Sector Continuing to work with PPE management and distribution. Emergency Managers are working with Public Health departments to reevaluate WING testing locations and submitting paperwork for the National Guard’s assistance to March 10, 2021. • EMS Sector Discussion regarding health care providers’ willingness to take the vaccine. Messaging is key right now and has to be done well. HERC Medical Advisors will be some of the spokespersons with talking points from the State—putting the local face on the message. Some EMS agencies are also struggling with staffing issues. • Long Term Care Sector Biggest challenges include twice-a-week testing that most facilities have had to do per CMS requirements. Data entry from these tests takes up significant amount of time and staff resources. Staff shortages continue to have an impact on how many new admissions Skilled Nursing Facilities can take along with facilities being on outbreak status. As a region, we currently have 50/59 facilities in outbreak status. • Home Care Hospice Sector Most seem to be doing well with PPE at this time. Some discussion about vaccine. Many people on hospice right now. Case load is very high. <p>Other REAL Events since August: None identified</p> <p>Any upcoming exercises, training, events? None identified.</p>
RTAC Updates	<p>Patient tracking project continues to move forward, however, has taken a bit of a “back burner” position. Team is working on a Genesis letter for agencies that will be rolling out the project first.</p> <p>Several issues that have been identified during the COVID response that may only be changed with legislation. Rob is working on this and has a meeting upcoming.</p> <p>Working on getting supplies out of the storage unit: car seats, STB kits.</p>
Medical Advisor Updates	<p>Dr. Haley has been meeting with the other Medical Advisors and will be sharing the weekly message with the Regional Chief Medical Officers and CEOs.</p>
New Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • emPower data and SVI Index information (see on final page). Aimee shared the HHS emPOWER map with electricity dependent residents from June through December. This data is shared for major power disruptions and planning purposes. **This is an underestimate of what the actual numbers would be. Intended to be a planning tool. HERC is required to share this information twice a year. http://www/phe.gov/empowermap/Pages/default.aspx

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Redundant Communication Drill: December 17, 1000 (Postponed) RAVE alert and WISCOM radio – this is required twice a year. This year the board has suggested utilizing RAVE and WISCOM radio. Date will be December 17th at 10:00 AM. Stay tuned for that. Aimee will communicate prior to this date. • Preparedness and Response Plans – Need to integrate lessons learned from 2020/COVID. In process of rolling out eICS. More to come on that. • HVA Meetings to be scheduled in early 2021 – still required to complete this year. An in-depth HVA is done every 5 years. This year we will be holding off due to COVID. Aimee will be sending out HVA survey and would like completion and feedback. Will be scheduled in January.
Upcoming Training	Virtual Training is the best option at this time.
Adjourn	Meeting adjourned at 1027.
Next Meetings:	Next Meeting: February 5, 2020 0930-1100. Virtual unless you hear otherwise. If this conflicts with a Vaccine Stakeholder meeting, we will pick a different time.
5. Prepared by : Natasha Cardinal and Aimee Wollman Nesseth	6. Approved by (Joint Incident Command):

Meeting Attendance via Go To Meeting:

NWWIHERC-Aimee Wollman Nesseth

NWWIRTAC-Robert Goodland

NWWIHERC Medical Advisor-Dr. Kari Haley

Emergency Management:

- Chippewa County Emergency Management-Dennis Brown
- Eau Claire County Emergency Management-Tyler Esh
- Polk County Emergency Management-Lisa McMahon
- St. Croix County Emergency Management-Natasha Cardinal
- NW Region Wisconsin Emergency Management-Randy Books

EMS:

- Amery Area Ambulance-Nicole Guillickson
- Brule Fire-Keith Kessler
- Eau Claire Fire Department-Jon Schultz

Home Care/Hospice:

- Heartland Hospice-Laurice Hillman
- Mayo Clinic Health System Home Care and Hospice-Barb Jaderborg

Hospitals:

- Cumberland Healthcare-Bob Lindberg and Peter Potts-Shufelt
- Health Partners Valley Hospitals-Darren Van Blaricom
- Marshfield Medical Center-Eau Claire-Lexie Schwartz
- Marshfield Medical Center-Rice Lake-Karla Potts-Shufelt
- Mayo Clinic Health System-Chippewa Valley-Brenda Nacke
- Mayo Clinic Health System-Eau Claire- Bobby King, Mindy Breed and Wayne Street
- Mayo Clinic Health System-Northland-Melissa Miller
- Memorial Medical Center-Erika Kurtz
- Osceola Medical Center-Rich Haider
- River Falls Area Hospital-Ashley Greengard and Lori Garlick
- Spooner Health-Missy Eckburg-Hess
- St. Croix Regional Medical Center-Matt Maxwell
- Western WI Health- Robb Paulson

Public Health:

- Ashland Public Health-Elizabeth Szot and Rebecca Nielsen

- Barron County Public Health-Nicole Nelson
- Bayfield Public Health-Becki Nelles
- Chippewa County Public Health-Jenny Lenborn
- Sawyer County Public Health-Julie McCullum
- Washburn County Public Health-Cheri Nickell

Skilled Nursing Facilities:

- Christian Community Homes of Hudson-Jennie Orman
- Spring Valley Health and Rehabilitation -Kevin Larson

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HHS emPOWER map

<http://www.phe.gov/empowermap/Pages/default.aspx>

Over 2.5 million Medicare beneficiaries rely on electricity-dependent medical equipment, such as ventilators, to live independently in their homes. Severe weather and other emergencies, especially those with long power outages, can be life-threatening for these individuals. The HHS emPOWER Map is updated monthly and displays the total number of at-risk electricity-dependent Medicare beneficiaries in a geographic area, down to the ZIP Code. The HHS emPOWER Map gives every public health official, emergency manager, hospital, first responder, electric company, and community member the power to discover the electricity-dependent Medicare population in their state, territory, county, and ZIP Code. When combined with real-time severe weather and hazard maps, communities can easily anticipate and plan for the needs of this population during an emergency.

County	Electricity Dependent Residents 6/9/2020	Electricity Dependent Residents 12/10/2020
Ashland	160	168
Barron	498	470
Bayfield	148	145
Burnett	185	216
Chippewa	555	569
Douglas	397	395
Dunn	356	364
Eau Claire	730	754
Pepin	84	47
Pierce	310	302
Polk	449	474
Rusk	170	162
St. Croix	434	445
Sawyer	195	220
Washburn	200	138

Social Vulnerability Index

<http://svi.cdc.gov/map.aspx> Latest data 2014

SVI provides an estimate of the access and functional needs in a community across four domains derived from the Census and the American Community Survey: **Socioeconomic status** (below the poverty line; unemployed; low income; adults without a high school diploma), **Household Composition & Disability** (elderly; children; civilian with a Disability; single parent households), **Minority Status & Language** (minority households and speak English 'less than well'), and **Housing & Transportation** (individuals in group homes; high density housing; mobile homes; high density households; and households without vehicles).

Overall Vulnerability

