

Bridging Maternal-Child Health (MCH), Infectious Disease, and Preparedness - Capacity Assessment for Local Health Departments

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Maternal Child Health (MCH) Emergency Planning at Your LHD

1. Have MCH considerations been integrated into your LHD's emergency plans?
 - a. No
 - b. Yes, and it includes infectious disease emergencies
 - c. Yes, but it does not include infectious disease emergencies
 - d. Don't know

2. If yes, how have MCH considerations been included in your LHD's emergency plans?

3. Is there an MCH staff member at your LHD or an external partner/stakeholder who regularly reviews and updates the sections of your LHD emergency plans that pertain to MCH populations?
 - a. No
 - b. Yes, it is an MCH staff member
 - c. Yes, it is an external partner/stakeholder
 - d. Don't know

4. If yes, what is their job title/role and organization?

5. How often do they review and update the sections of the plans that pertain to MCH populations?

6. Does your jurisdiction's emergency plan for sheltering and other mass care address pregnant people and infant population-specific needs, such as supplies and instructions for infant feeding and safe sleep?
 - a. Yes
 - b. No
 - c. Don't know

7. How satisfied are you with the plan's guidance for sheltering and mass care of the MCH population?
 - a. Very satisfied (feel confident the needs will be met)
 - b. Somewhat satisfied (it is good but could be stronger)
 - c. Not satisfied (I am not confident the needs will be met)

8. Are your Maternal-Child Health (MCH) staff trained in Emergency Preparedness and Response (EPR)?
 - a. All MCH staff are trained in EPR
 - b. Some MCH staff are trained in EPR
 - c. No MCH staff are trained in EPR
 - d. Don't know

9. How often are MCH staff EPR trained?

10. Are your EPR staff trained on how to meet the needs of MCH populations?
 - a. All EPR staff are trained on meeting the needs of MCH populations
 - b. Some EPR staff are trained on meeting the needs of MCH populations
 - c. No EPR staff are trained on meeting the needs of MCH populations
 - d. Don't know

11. How often are EPR staff trained on meeting the needs of MCH populations?

12. Are your Infectious Disease (ID) staff trained on how to meet the needs of MCH populations?
 - a. All ID staff are trained on meeting the needs of MCH populations
 - b. Some ID staff are trained on meeting the needs of MCH populations
 - c. No ID staff are trained on meeting the needs of MCH populations
 - d. Don't know

13. How often are ID staff trained on meeting the needs of MCH populations?

14. Does the MCH program annually review plans for coordination of services with the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) for maternal and infant populations in emergencies?
 - a. Yes
 - b. No

15. How often do they review and update these plans?

16. How are MCH populations prioritized within EPR planning at your LHD?

- a. Our LHD does not consider MCH populations when planning for all-hazards responses.
- b. Our LHD considers MCH populations when planning for all hazards responses but cannot describe critical health challenges that face MCH populations as they relate to all-hazards responses.
- c. Our LHD considers MCH populations in planning for all hazards responses and can describe critical health challenges that face MCH populations as they relate to all-hazards responses

Collaboration Within the LHD

17. Which best describes the communication between ID, EPR, and MCH divisions/staff at your LHD?

- a. We do not communicate at all.
- b. We only communicate formally (e.g., meetings).
- c. We only communicate informally when needed (e.g., respond to email inquiries, phone calls, etc.)
- d. We talk formally and informally (outside of meetings).
- e. We talk often, formally and informally.

18. How often do the three divisions meet formally?

- a. Weekly meetings
- b. Twice monthly meetings
- c. Monthly meetings
- d. Quarterly meetings
- e. Other (please specify) _____

19. Have your ID, EPR, and MCH divisions/staff collaborated in the past to address the needs of MCH populations regarding preparedness and response during an infectious disease outbreak?

- a. Yes
- b. No

20. If yes, how?