## **Capacity Assessment for the Inclusion of MCH Populations in Emergency Preparedness and Response at Local Health Departments**

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- Does your Local Health Department (LHD) and its partners and stakeholders have <u>competency(s)</u> (e.g., knowledge, skills, and abilities) to meet the access and functional needs of Maternal-Child Health (MCH) populations in Emergency Preparedness and Response? (Yes, No)
  - a. If yes, please provide descriptions, explanations, and/or examples of the <u>competency(s)</u> that your LHD and its partners/stakeholders have to meet the access and functional needs of MCH populations in Emergency Preparedness and Response.
  - b. If no, how do you plan to build <u>competency(s)</u> at your LHD and with your partners/stakeholders to meet the access and functional needs of MCH populations in Emergency Preparedness and Response?
- 2. Does your LHD and its partners and stakeholders have <u>capacity</u> (e.g., personnel including staff, volunteers, contractors, etc.) to meet the access and functional needs of MCH populations in Emergency Preparedness and Response? (Yes, No)
  - a. If yes, please provide descriptions, explanations, and/or examples of the <u>capacity</u> that your LHD and its partners/stakeholders have to meet the access and functional needs of MCH populations in Emergency Preparedness and Response.
  - b. If no, how do you plan to build <u>capacity</u> at your LHD and with your partners and stakeholders to meet the access and functional needs of MCH populations in Emergency Preparedness and Response?
- 3. Does your LHD and its partners and stakeholders have <u>assets</u> (e.g., processes/protocols, equipment, supplies, etc.) to meet the access and functional needs of MCH populations in Emergency Preparedness and Response? (Yes, No)
  - a. If yes, please provide descriptions, explanations, and/or examples of the <u>assets</u> that your LHD and its partners/stakeholders have to meet the access and functional needs of MCH populations in Emergency Preparedness and Response.
  - b. If no, how do you plan to build <u>assets</u> at your LHD and with your partners and stakeholders to meet the access and functional needs of MCH populations in Emergency Preparedness and Response?
- 4. Have you integrated MCH considerations into your LHD emergency plans? (Yes, No)



- a. If yes, in what ways have you integrated MCH considerations into your LHD emergency plans?
- b. If no, how do you plan to integrate MCH considerations into your LHD emergency plans?
- 5. Do you include MCH staff member(s), including the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) staff, to review and update sections of your LHD emergency plans? (Yes, No)
  - a. If yes, in what ways do you include MCH staff member(s) to review and update section of your LHD emergency plans?
  - b. If no, in what ways do you plan to include MCH staff member(s) to review and update section of your LHD emergency plans?
- 6. Do your sheltering and mass care plans address the access and functional needs of MCH populations (e.g., specific supplies, instructions for infant feeding, safe sleep, etc.)? (Yes, No)
  - a. If yes, in what ways do your sheltering and mass care plans address the access and functional needs of MCH populations?
  - b. If no, in what ways do you plan to include the access and functional needs of MCH populations into your sheltering and mass care plans?
- 7. Are your MCH staff members and MCH stakeholders and partners trained in emergency preparedness and response (EPR)? (Yes, No)
  - a. If yes, in what ways do you train MCH staff members and MCH stakeholders and partners in emergency preparedness and response (EPR)?
  - b. If no, in what ways do you plan to train MCH staff members and MCH stakeholders and partners in emergency preparedness and response (EPR)?
- 8. Does the PHEP (Public Health Emergency Preparedness) Director or designee regularly train LHD staff on emergencies? (Yes, No)
  - a. If yes, does the training include how to meet the needs of MCH populations? (Yes, No)
  - b. If no, does the PHEP Director or designee plan to train LHD staff on emergencies to meet the needs of MCH populations? (Yes, No)

