MRC units across the country continue to respond to the opioid epidemic. Many of their efforts were reported in a NACCHO Fact Sheet released last fall, MRC Response to the Opioid Epidemic. This month we are featuring recent and continuing successes in this arena, namely two naloxone training and access projects developed by the LaSalle County, IL MRC Unit #1552 and Rhode Island DMAT/MRC Unit #148. Read More

MRC/NACCHO Connection

Resource of the Month: NACCHO Capacity Building Toolkit

NACCHO in collaboration with the Association of State and Territorial Health Officials (ASTHO), the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response (ASPR), and the Administration for Community Living, recently launched the Capacity-Building Toolkit for Including Aging and Disability Networks in Emergency Planning. Read More

Creating Training Plans on MRC TRAIN in 3 Easy Steps

MRC units can use the MRC TRAIN platform to monitor volunteer progress in customized training plans, which can include unit trainings in addition to training opportunities from other providers available on the TRAIN Learning Network, such as MRC, NACCHO, and CDC. Creating a training plan can be accomplished in three simple steps. Read More

Applications for the 2019 National Health Security Award Now Open!

NACCHO and the HHS Office of the Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response (ASPR) are pleased to announce the fourth annual National Health Security (NSW) Award! This award recognizes local health departments that have demonstrated significant accomplishments in implementing health security-related initiatives within their jurisdictions. Read More

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Volunteer Recognition: Shooting Stars Program
The Shooting Stars Recognition Program was created in the winter of 2018 when an MRC volunteer from the Southwest Virginia MRC suggested a recognition program to highlight volunteers who participate in non-emergency events. Building on the idea, unit coordinator, Kristina Morris, built the program to include opportunities for training and to encourage participation in quarterly communication checks. Read More

Announcements
ASPR FAQ: Controlled Substances and Emergency Response
ASPR, in collaboration with Healthcare Ready, has released a fact sheet on Controlled Substances and Emergency Response. The document aims to provide guidance during disasters; detail potential challenges for patients, healthcare providers, and emergency managers; and, highlight opportunities for solutions and targeted planning. Read More

The Exchange Issue 8.0: Supporting Hospital Surge
Issue 8.0 of The Exchange, Supporting Hospital Surge - Meeting Patient and Staff Needs, is now available! This issue covers information about hospital support services. This issue follows the release of the National Health Security Strategy and highlights plans for healthcare practitioners and SMEs from the hospital nutrition, blood, and pharmacy fields. Read More

Conferences
Vector Control Summit
April 16-18, 2019
Pittsburgh, PA

2019 Preparedness Summit
March 26-29, 2019
St. Louis, MO

NACCHO Annual
July 9-11, 2019
Orlando, FL

Webinars
Tickborne Diseases: A CDC Update
Tuesday, April 9, 2019
2:00pm - 3:15pm EST

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