11th ANNUAL PREPAREDNESS SYMPOSIA SERIES
Protecting Our Heartland and Its Resources
April 9-10 Gering/Scottsbluff | May 7-8 Norfolk | June 11-12 Lincoln | July 16-17 Kearney
The Center for Preparedness Education announces the 11th Annual Preparedness Symposia Series “Protecting Our Heartland and Its Resources”.

This popular series brings together responders from a wide variety of professions in the response community - public health, health care, health education, behavioral health, emergency management, critical infrastructure, private industry - and other interested parties to gain insight and learn strategies related to homeland security issues.

Our 11th Anniversary Annual Preparedness Symposia Series continues the tradition of informative sessions drawn from recent events. Session topics include responses to recent natural disasters, hospital business continuity, disaster exercise evaluation, hospital bereavement team training, and confidentiality in disasters. Join other preparedness professionals to gain insight and learn preparedness and response strategies. This year we will also be celebrating the 100th anniversary of the Nebraska Public Health Lab.

By keeping the fees low and offering multiple opportunities to attend across the state, we strive to provide informative, thought provoking sessions and energizing networking opportunities to all of those serving Nebraska through their work in disaster preparedness, response and recovery.

Philip W. Smith, MD, Co-Director
Gary L. Gorby, MD, Co-Director
Sharon Medcalf, RN MEd,

OBJECTIVES

• Cite one example of knowledge gained about disaster response on a national level
• Discuss several key clinical issues that can occur through biological, chemical or radiological events
• List two stakeholders that are involved in planning for disasters in their communities

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GENERAL INFORMATION
The Preparedness Symposia targets those involved in public health preparedness, medical preparedness, First Responder preparedness and business/industry preparedness including Physicians, Nurse Practitioners, Physician Assistants, Nurses, Mental Health Providers, EMT, EMS, Paramedics, Health Educators and Public Health Professionals.

DATES AND LOCATIONS
(click city name to register)
April 9-10, 2013
Gering Civic Center
1050 M Street
Gering NE

May 7-8, 2013
Divot’s Convention Center
4200 W Norfolk Avenue
Norfolk NE

June 11-12, 2013
Embassy Suites
1040 P Street
Lincoln NE

July 16-17, 2013
Holiday Inn Hotel & Convention Center
110 2nd Avenue
Kearney NE

REGISTRATION DEADLINES
Gering - April 2, 2013
Norfolk - April 30, 2013
Lincoln - June 4, 2013
Kearney - July 9, 2013

CANCELLATION POLICY
No refunds. If you are unable to attend, you may send someone else in your place or transfer your registration to another Symposia session. Email requests for cancelations must be received one week prior to the event (center@preped.org).

SUGGESTED HOTELS
Gering
Monument Inn & Suites
1130 M Street
1-866-436-1950
Reservation deadline

Norfolk
Norfolk Lodge & Suites
4200 West Norfolk Ave
402-379-3833
Reservation deadline

Lincoln
Embassy Suites
1040 P Street
402-474-1111
Reservation deadline

Kearney
Holiday Inn Hotel & Convention Center
110 2nd Avenue
308-237-5971
Reservation deadline

REGISTRATION AND FEES
Register online at www.preped.org. Registration fee is $70 for both days or $40 for one day and includes continental breakfast, lunch and continuing education credits.

The CDC has issued a new policy regarding the purchase of food and beverages under CDC contracts, grants and cooperative agreements. This policy makes it necessary to increase registration fees for the Preparedness Symposia to cover the cost of food. We at the Center for Preparedness Education will continue to work to keep registration fees for our events as affordable as possible.

Register online and pay by credit card. If you prefer to pay by check, complete the online registration form, click submit, and then print and mail completed form along with payment to:
Center for Preparedness Education
Symposia Series
984320 Nebraska Medical Center
Omaha NE 68198-4320

Supported through funding from Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services to the Center for Preparedness Education, Co-Directors: Gary Gorby, MD and Philip W. Smith, MD; Associate Director, Sharon Medcalf, RN MEd. This program is being presented in collaboration with the Nebraska Health Education Consortium and sponsored by Creighton University School of Medicine.
DAY ONE

7:30 Registration and Networking (Continental Breakfast Provided)

8:30 Welcome and Opening Remarks

8:40 Public Health Preparedness in Nebraska

Joseph M. Acierno, MD JD, Chief Medical Officer, Nebraska Department of Health & Human Services, Lincoln, NE;

Jennifer Roberts-Johnson, JD, Chief Administrator, Nebraska Department of Health & Human Services, Lincoln NE.

Session Objective:
- Discuss public health preparedness in Nebraska

9:00 Red Cross Response in Hurricane Sandy

Jono Anzalone, CEM®, Director, Government Operations, Disaster Services, American Red Cross National Headquarters, Washington DC

Session Objectives:
- List two response roles the Red Cross played in Hurricane Sandy

10:00 Break

10:15 BREAKOUT SESSIONS

Confidentiality and HIPPA In Disasters:
What can I share and when? (Lincoln and Kearney Sessions Only)

Denise Bulling, PhD, Senior Research Director, University of Nebraska Public Policy Center, Lincoln NE

Session Objectives:
- Understand what health care information can be shared after a disaster
- Identify how the HIPAA privacy rule impacts sharing in the aftermath of a disaster
- Recognize situations that serve as exceptions to maintaining confidentiality

Poison Control Center’s Role in Disasters

Kathy Jacobitz, RN BSN CSPI, Managing Director, Nebraska Regional Poison Center, Omaha NE

Session Objectives:
- Describe the role the Poison Center plays in a disaster

WHO Smallpox Eradication (Lincoln and Kearney Sessions Only)

Sharon Medcalf, RN MEd, Associate Director, Center for Preparedness Education, Omaha NE

Session Objectives:
- List and discuss the strategies used to eradicate Smallpox globally (1967-1978)
- Cite examples of how eradication strategies would apply to an outbreak of Smallpox today

11:15 BREAKOUT SESSIONS

Vector Borne Diseases

Gary Gorby, MD, Chief of Medicine, VA Nebraska Western Iowa Health System, Co-Director, Center for Preparedness Education; Omaha NE

Session Objectives:
- Discuss vector borne diseases
- Describe the impact of these diseases in Nebraska

Poison Control Center’s Role in Disasters (Repeat of 10:15 Session)

12:00 Lunch

12:55 Workplace Violence and Active Shooter Situations

Jerry McNinch, Intelligence Officer, US Department of Homeland Security, Nebraska Information Analysis Center, Lincoln NE

Session Objectives:
- Discuss the impacts of workplace violence
- Describe appropriate actions to take in an active shooter situation

2:00 Break
BREAKOUT SESSIONS

Overview of HICS-2013: What’s New?
Ann Potter, RN CVEM CHEP, HICS Advisory Board, Springdale WA
John Pricket, RN, HICS Advisory Board, J-LRG Healthcare Emergency Preparedness, Laconia NH

Session Objectives:
- Identify the changes to the Hospital Incident Command System for 2013
- Identify steps to implement the revised HICS to your healthcare facility or organization

Disparities in Disasters
(Lincoln and Kearney Sessions Only)
Athena Ramos, MS MBA CPM, Program Coordinator, Center for Reducing Health Disparities, University of Nebraska Medical Center College of Public Health, Omaha NE

Session Objectives:
- Cite examples of disparities in past disasters and improvements that can be made to remedy such disparities

Pre-Hospital Decon Skills
Pat Gerdes, NREMT, Region 15 Emergency Manager, Holdrege NE
Leslie Scofield, Director of First Responder Education, Center for Preparedness Education, Omaha NE

Session Objective:
- Discuss decontamination basics for pre-hospital providers

Exercise Design - the very basics
(Lincoln and Kearney Sessions Only)
Keith F. Hansen, MBA, Assistant Director, Center for Preparedness Education, Omaha NE

Session Objectives:
- Discuss the different types of exercises
- Create a Planning/Training/Exercise Calendar

Zoonoses Go Both Ways: Diseases that threaten man and animals
Philip Smith, MD, Professor, Section of Infectious Diseases, Department of Internal Medicine, University of Nebraska Medical Center; Co-Director, Center for Preparedness Education, Omaha NE
Dennis A. Hughes, DVM, Nebraska State Veterinarian, Animal and Plant Health Protection, Nebraska Department of Agriculture, Lincoln NE

Session Objectives:
- Discuss zoonotic diseases with implications to human and animal health

Hospital Surge
Barbara Dodge, BEd, Director of Hospital Preparedness Education, Center for Preparedness Education, Omaha NE

Session Objective:
- Discuss strategies for successfully handling a hospital surge event

DAY TWO

3:15 BREAKOUT SESSIONS

Exercise Design - the very basics
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10:10 JCHC Evacuation and Hazmat: Lessons learned from an internal chemical event
Sharon Vandegrift, RN ONC MNEd CPHQ, Emergency Preparedness/Safety Director, Jefferson County Health Center, Fairbury NE

Session Objective:
- Explain key factors in preparing for a hospital evacuation due to an internal chemical event
11:05  **BREAKOUT SESSIONS**

**Hospital Bereavement Team Training**
Robin Zagursky, LCSW, Medical Social Worker, University of Nebraska Medical Center
Department of Psychiatry, Omaha NE

*Session Objectives:*
- Discuss strategies to help hospital personnel form and activate an in-house bereavement team

**Exercise Evaluation: Incorporating PHEP Capabilities**
Justin Watson, BA, Cities Readiness Coordinator, Center for Preparedness Education, Omaha NE
Chuck LaFollette, Training and Exercise Coordinator, Department of Public Health, Nebraska Department of Health & Human Services, Lincoln NE

*Session Objectives:*
- Apply PHEP capabilities into disaster exercise evaluations

**General Principles of Public Health**
Specimen Collection, Transport and Testing
Karen Stiles, MT(ASCP)SM, State Training Coordinator, Nebraska Public Health Laboratory, Omaha NE

*Session Objectives:*
- List basic fundamentals and best practices of collection of specimens for public health testing
- Describe the importance of proper specimen collection, preservation, transport to the laboratory and biohazards related to each
- Review specimen collection during an all-hazard event

11:55 Lunch

12:55 Preparing for the Worst: How to be ready when Zombies attack!
Philip Smith, MD, Professor, Section of Infectious Diseases, Department of Internal Medicine, University of Nebraska Medical Center; Co-Director, Center for Preparedness Education, Omaha NE
Kristin Watkins, MBA, Administrator, Nebraska Regenerative Medicine Project, University of Nebraska Medical Center, Omaha NE

*Session Objectives:*
- Discuss the use of a simulated Zombie attack as an analogy for preparing for a disaster

2:00 Break

2:15  **BREAKOUT SESSIONS**

**Healthcare Continuity of Operations**
Gering Session: TBA
Norfolk Session: Ginger Bailey, RN BSN, Coordinator, Rural Region One Medical Response System, Wayne NE
Lincoln Session: Phyllis Dutton, RN AHPCP, Community Emergency Preparedness Liaison, Alegent Creighton Health; Omaha Metro Medical Response System / Healthcare Coalition Coordinator, Omaha NE
Kearney Session: Laura D. Meyers, Co-Coordinator, Tri-Cities Medical Response System, Executive Director of Development, DKG Consultants, Inc., Kearney NE
Susan Mulligan, Coordinator, West Central Medical Response System, North Platte NE

*Session Objectives:*
- Describe strategies used in planning for business continuity in a healthcare facility

**Influenza: What’s New and Unusual**
Anthony Sambol, MA SM(NRM), Assistant Director, Nebraska Public Health Laboratory, Omaha NE

*Session Objectives:*
- Describe new diagnostic testing methods
Please remember to complete your Preparedness Symposia session evaluations.

If you are attending in Gering or Omaha, you will receive an electronic evaluation via email after the event. If you are attending in Norfolk or Kearney, you will receive paper evaluation forms on site. We use your input to plan future programs.

Certificates of Attendance will be sent electronically after each session to the participant’s email address provided during registration.

CONTINUING EDUCATION CREDIT

Business Continuity: This educational session has been approved for 10 Continuing Education Activity Points (CEAP) through DRI International for business continuity re-certification. (Day 1 = 2 CEAP, Day 2 = 8 CEAP).

Physicians: The Creighton University School of Medicine designates this live activity for a maximum of 12.25 AMA PRA Category 1 Credit(s)™. Physicians should claim only credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity. (Day 1 = 6.25 credits, Day 2 = 6.0 credits.)

Physicians Assistants: AAPA accepts AMA category 1 credit for the PRA from organizations accredited by ACCME.

Nurses: The Creighton University School of Medicine Continuing Education designates this activity for 12.25 contact hours for nurses. Nurses should claim only credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity. (Day 1 = 6.25 credits, Day 2 = 6.0 credits.)

Pharmacy: The 11th Annual Preparedness Symposia is sponsored by Creighton University Health Sciences Continuing Education (HSCE). HSCE is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education (ACPE) as a provider of continuing pharmacy education. This activity is assigned Universal Activity (UAN) # 0839-9999-13-015-L04-P and is accredited for 12.25 hours for attendance of all CE sessions for dates April 9-10, May 7-8, June 11-12 and July 16-17, 2013. The 11th Annual Preparedness Symposia is a knowledge-based CE activity. (Day 1 = 6.25 credits, Day 2 = 6.0 credits.)

EMS, EMT, and Paramedics: This educational activity has been approved for up to 12.25 educational hours for all levels of EMS personnel through Creighton University. (Day 1 = 6.25 credits, Day 2 = 6.0 credits.)

Veterinarians: Course materials have been submitted to the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services Board of Veterinary Medicine and Surgery for continuing education approval. Determination of credit is pending.

Mental Health: This program meets the criteria of an approved continuing education program for mental health practice and social work. Each professional is responsible for their own certification.

ACCREDITATION STATEMENT

This activity has been planned and implemented by Creighton University Health Sciences Continuing Education and The Center for Preparedness Education for the advancement of patient care. Creighton University Health Sciences Continuing Education is accredited by the American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC), the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education (ACPE), and the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) to provide continuing education for the healthcare team.