

2025 Annual Medical and Health Exercise

Long Term Care Sector Objectives

How to use this document: The purpose of this document is to provide **sample objectives and capabilities to exercise planners** to select from when designing their coalition based Annual Medical and Health Exercise (AMHE).

If you do not use all the objectives, remember to remove those objectives and corresponding capabilities that do not pertain to your chosen objectives. You may also replace or add objectives that are not given as examples.

ASPR HEALTH CARE PREPAREDNESS AND RESPONSE CAPABILITIES

Capability 1: Foundation for Health Care and Medical Readiness

Goal of Capability 1: The community has a sustainable Health Care Coalition - comprised of members with strong relationships - that can identify hazards and risks and prioritize and address gaps through planning, training, exercising, and acquiring resources.

Capability 2. Health Care and Medical Response Coordination

Goal for Capability 2: Health Care and Medical Response Coordination Health care organizations, the HCC, their jurisdiction(s), and the ESF-8 lead agency plan and collaborate to share and analyze information, manage, and share resources, and coordinate strategies to deliver medical care to all populations during emergencies and planned events.

Capability 3: Continuity of Health Care Service Delivery

Goal of Capability 3: Health care organizations, with support from the HCC and the ESF-8 lead agencies, provide uninterrupted, optimal medical care to all populations in the face of damaged or disabled health care infrastructure. Health care workers are well-trained, well-educated, and well-equipped to care for patients during emergencies. Simultaneous response and recovery operations result in a return to normal or, ideally, improved operations.

Capability 4. Medical Surge

Goal for Capability 4: Health care organizations - including hospitals, emergency medical services (EMS), and out-of-hospital providers - deliver timely and efficient care to their patients even when the demand for health care services exceeds available supply. The HCC, in collaboration with the Emergency Support Function-8 (ESF-8) lead agency, coordinates information and available resources for its members to maintain conventional surge response. When an emergency overwhelms the HCC's collective resources, the HCC supports the health care delivery system's transition to contingency and crisis surge response and promotes a timely return to conventional standards of care as soon as possible.

LONG TERM CARE SECTOR OBJECTIVES

CAPABILITY 1. FOUNDATION FOR HEALTH CARE AND MEDICAL READINESS

Objective 1 - Communication and Resource Requesting

Sample task(s): *[Remove those that you are not testing]*

- ☐ Access communication systems i.e., ReddiNet
- ☐ Respond to pertinent polls and/or surveys received through MHOAC program
- ☐ Submit appropriate resource request as needed

CAPABILITY 2. HEALTH CARE AND MEDICAL RESPONSE COORDINATION

Objective 2 - Implement Evacuation Plans

Sample task(s): *[Remove those that you are not testing]*

- ☐ Implement applicable plans to evacuate
- ☐ Triage and determine transportation needs
- ☐ Contact MOU transportation providers to determine capacity
- ☐ Contact facilities for resident placement; activate patient transfer agreements

Objective 3 – Activate the Emergency Operation Plan (EOP) and policies related to the incident within thirty (30) minutes of notification of incident information that may affect normal operations.

Sample task(s): *[Remove those that you are not testing]*

- ☐ Activate the EOP within thirty (30) minutes of incident notification and begin identifying staffing needs
- ☐ Activate staff members within thirty (30) minutes of notification of an incident/event, and begin call-down procedures

CAPABILITY 4. MEDICAL SURGE

Objective 4 – Implement Surge plans.

Sample task(s): *[Remove those that you are not testing]*

- ☐ Implement applicable surge plans to receive patients above licensed bed capacity
- ☐ Assess resource requirements and needs