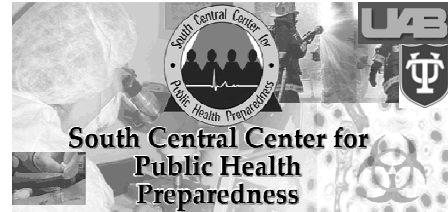


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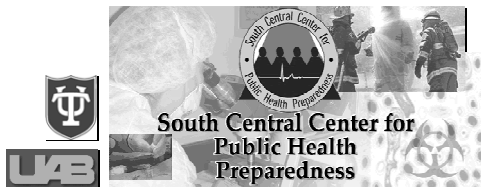
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## **Disaster**



## **Overview**

- Introduction
- Readiness
- Execution
- Recovery
- Summary



## **Action Phases Readiness**

- 1. Prevention
  - Shape the battlefield.
- 2. Preparation
  - CONOPS, assets and infrastructure.
- 3. Surveillance
  - Scope, sensitivity, reliability, security and cycle time.
- 4. Identification
  - Specificity, confidence, immediacy.

## Prevention

- Shape the battlefield.
- Psychological injury management.
- Public health WMD.
  - Biological.
  - Chemical.
  - Radiological.

## Prevention

- Risk communication.
- Education.
  - Government officials and community leaders.
  - Responders.
  - Population at large.

## Psychological Injury

- Expect large numbers of casualties.
- Treatment principles.
  - Proximity.
  - Immediacy.
  - Expectancy.



## Psychological Injury

- Stress of dealing with casualties.
  - Fatigue.
    - Overworked.
    - Understaffed.
    - Sleep deprivation.



## Prevention: Biological Agents

- Vulnerability analysis.
  - Target populations and consequences.
- Risk of social or economic disruption.
- Risk of disease spread.
  - Incubation period.
  - Low acuity infectious stage.
  - Vectors.
  - Potential for epidemic spread.



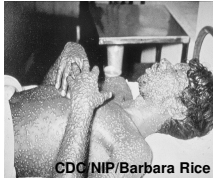
## Prevention: Biological Agents

- CONOPS for consequence management.
- Management of quarantine.
- Adequacy of existing facilities for potential population at risk.



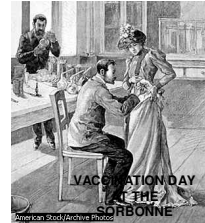
## Prevention: Biological Agents

- Realistic plans for expansion of treatment facilities.
  - Time phased requirements.
  - Locations.
    - Types of patients.
    - Referral patterns.
    - Patient movement.
  - Manning.
  - Supply.
  - Administration.

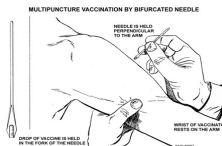


## Prevention: Biological Agents

- Immunization planning.
  - Identification and training of personnel.
  - Venues.
  - Security.
  - Patient identification.
  - Patient screening.
  - Patient education.
  - Adverse outcomes.



## Prevention: Biological Agents



- Vaccine logistics and delivery planning.
- Surveillance and outbreak identification.
- Surveillance for other pathogens.

## Prevention: Chemical Agents

- Models for plume dispersion.
  - Numbers and location of population at risk.
  - Population protection.
  - Evacuation parameters.
  - Potential safe havens and employable routes.



## Prevention: Chemical Agents

- Determine threshold for evacuation.
- Evacuation site procedures.
  - Census.
  - Assessment.
  - Education.
  - Treatment.
  - Support.



## Prevention: Chemical Agents

- Plan consequence management.
  - Chemical neutralization plans.
  - Possible antidotes or treatment.
- Medication and therapeutics stockpiles.
  - Acquisition.
  - Maintenance.
  - Distribution.



## Prevention: Chemical Agents

- Specialized treatment venues.
  - Suitable location.
  - Equipping.
  - Manning.
  - Trained staff.
    - Clinical.
    - Support.



## Prevention: Chemical Agents

- Establish Health Alert Network.
  - Specialized content to target audiences.
  - Express distribution channels.
- Establish secure health operational communications network.

## Prevention: Chemical Agents

- Develop case identification procedures.
  - Expedient referral patterns.
  - Simple clinical paradigms.
- Establish network of community contacts.
  - Timely effectiveness is key.

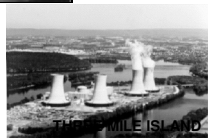
## Prevention: Chemical Agents

- Hazard assessment.
  - Assemble and review Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS).
    - Evaluate range of potential adverse effects.
  - Vulnerability analysis.
    - Target populations and consequences.
  - Risk assessment.
    - Possibility of toxic levels.
    - Near vulnerable populations.

## The Radiological Threat



- Nuclear Warfare
- Nuclear Terrorism
- Nuclear Accidents



## Low Dose Scenario

- RDD
- Controlled broken arrow or dud.
- Remember
  - “You have nothing to fear but fear itself”
    - President FDR
- Fear itself is worth worrying about.



## Radiological Response

- Focus on treating the injuries.
- Large numbers of frightened people.
- Identify patients needing hospital care.
- Set up a treatment area.
- Act as if patient contaminated with sewage.



## Radiological Response

- Avoid unnecessary spreading radioactive contamination.
  - Double sheet and stretcher.
- Identify and treat significant exposures.
- Government agency coordination.
- Plan to evaluate and counsel non-injured exposed at a location outside of the hospital.



## High Dose Scenario



- Generalized.
  - Nuclear detonation.
  - Nuclear war.
  - You are having a bad day.

## High Dose Scenario

- Localized.
  - Power plant accident.
  - Attack.
  - Dud (initially).
  - Broken Arrow (initially).
  - Contain and convert to low dose scenario.



## High Dose Scenario

- Triage.
- Dose estimation.
- Surgical patients.
- Initial clinical stabilization.
- Management of potential survivors.



## High Dose Scenario

- Management and support of high dose victims.
- Traumatic stress disorder.
- Response team stress management.
- Population stress management.

## Prevention

- What is the difference between prevention and preparation?



## Prevention

- What is the difference between prevention and preparation?
  - A. Prevention focuses on building a resistant and resilient environment.
  - B. Preparation focuses on developing the capability for a coordinated, timely and effective response.

## Preparation

- CONOPS.
  - Operational models.
- Assets.
  - Personnel.
    - Numbers and training.
  - Equipment.
  - Supplies.

## Preparation

- Infrastructure.
  - Authority.
  - Command, control, communications and intelligence.
  - Logistics.

## Medical Preparation

- Preparation (primary prevention).
  - Planning.
  - Facilities.
  - People.
  - Training.
  - Equipment.
  - Communications.
- Public Education.
- Community Contacts.



## Medical Preparation

- Control of disease/injury.
  - Limit exposure.
    - Individual protection.
    - Mass protective measures.
      - Evacuation.
      - Quarantine.

## Medical Preparation

- Early identification of population at risk.
- Effective communication.
  - Population at large.
  - Population at risk.
  - Emergency workers.

## Medical Preparation

- Decontamination.
- Isolation as indicated.
- Prompt prophylaxis.
- Engineering.



## Medical Preparation

- Treatment of victims.
  - Surgical and medical emergencies.
  - Specific threat-related care.
    - External and internal decontamination.
    - Antidote/medical therapy.
  - Isolation.
  - Medical evacuation.



## Medical Preparation

- Care of refugees.
- Continuing care of emergency workers.
- Continuing care of population at large.
  - Ongoing care.
  - Preventive measures.
  - Psychological consequences.

## Operational Models

- Biological – Non infectious (Anthrax)
- Biological – Highly infectious bacterial (Plague & Tularemia)
- Biological – Highly infectious viral (Smallpox & Exotic Hemorrhagic)
- Biological – Toxin (Botulism)

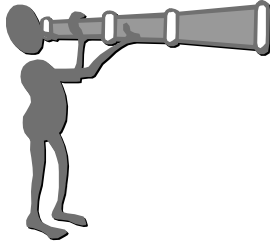
## Operational Models

- Chemical - Nerve
- Chemical – Choking and Cyanides
- Chemical - Vesicant
- Radiological - High and Low Dose



## Surveillance

- Scope.
- Sensitivity.
- Specificity.
- Reliability.
- Security.
- Cycle time.



## Surveillance

- Scope
  - Intrinsic is best.
  - Extrinsic if necessary.
- Good coverage for the probable.
- Good coverage for the terrible.
- Satisfactory coverage for the possible.
- Far enough.
- Wide enough.
- Deep enough.



## Surveillance

- Sensitivity.
  - If it happens will I know?
  - Most important.
  - Cheap and simple is best.
- Specificity.
  - Are you sure?
  - Sometimes costlier but must be timely.

## Surveillance

- Tandem sequence.
  - Alerting mechanism – highly sensitive.
  - Confirming mechanism – better be right.

## Surveillance

- Reliability.
  - Consequences.
    - Bad data is worse than useless.
  - Personnel.
    - Motivation, supervision.
  - Equipment.
    - Robust.
    - Repairable.
      - Expertise, parts, time.
  - Communications.

## Surveillance

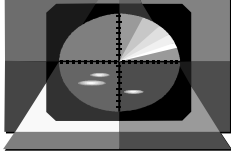
- Security.
  - Accident.
  - Sabotage.
  - Theft.
  - Mischief.
  - Personnel.
    - Real harm.
    - Intimidation.
  - Equipment.
  - Data.





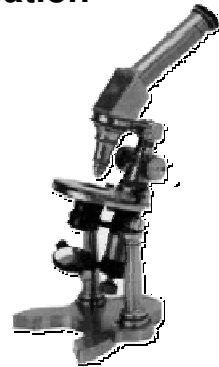
## Surveillance

- Sampling scheme.
  - Incidence/frequency.
  - Random.
  - Cluster.
- Cycle time.
  - Adapted to threat.
  - Early containment.
  - Early prophylaxis and treatment.
- Scanning rate.
- Reporting rate.
- Analysis rate.



## Identification

- Specificity.
- Confidence.
- Immediacy.



## Identification Issues

- Testing methodology.
- Testing site/lab.
- Transport/preservation of specimen.
- Expertise of personnel.
- BSL level.
- Confirmation – how sure is sure?
- Communication.
  - Robust.
  - Secure.

## Action Phases: Execution

- 5. Notification.
  - Timely, robust, orderly, functional.
- 6. Marshalling.
  - “Firstest with the mostest.”
- 7. Early response.
  - Effective, professional, orderly.

## Action Phases Execution

- 8. Full response.
  - Big as it needs to be to minimize casualties.
  - Delicate as a battleship.
- 9. Mop up.
  - Thorough, quick, disciplined.

## Notification

- Timely.
- Robust.
- Orderly.
- Functional.



## Notification

- **Timely.**
  - Here is where it begins.
  - Parallel not serial.
  - In accordance with guidelines.
  - Must meet standards.
- **Robust.**
  - Disaster environment.
  - Sabotage.
  - Fear.
  - Independent of “agendas.”

## Notification

- **Orderly.**
  - Complete.
  - Predictable.
  - Professional.
  - Documented.
  - Repairable.
- **Functional.**
  - Roll with the punches.
  - Common sense.



## Biological Non-contagious

- |                               |      |
|-------------------------------|------|
| • Identify Agent              | T+15 |
| • Identify Population at Risk | T+30 |
| • Approved Plan Activation    | T+30 |
| • Public Announcement         | T+40 |
| • Evacuation Site (Overt)     | 1h   |
| • Complete Prophylaxis        | 48h  |
| • Reverse Flow Evacuation     | 96   |
| • 100% Exposure ID            |      |

## Command and Control

- **Three tyrannies.**
  - Time.
  - Communications.
  - Logistics.
- **Authority.**
  - Legality and jurisdiction.

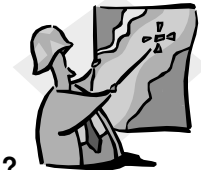


## Command and Control

- **Leadership.**
  - Realistic practical planning.
  - Capability of execution.
    - Concepts of operation.
    - Manning.
    - Equipment.
    - Training.
    - Practice, evaluation and process improvement.

## Command and Control

- **Accountability.**
  - Who?
  - Doing what?
  - For which population?
  - With what assets?
  - For how long?

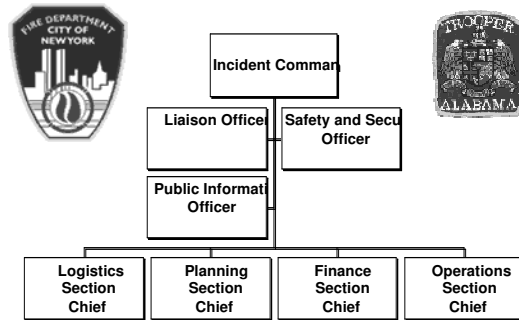


## Command and Control

- Integrity.
  - Begin with the end in mind.
  - Realistic evaluation of capability.
  - Reporting to established authorities.
- Credibility.
  - Channeled into effective community action.



## Incident Command



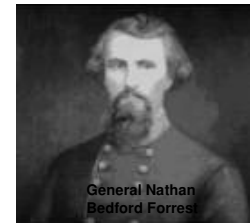
## Hospital Emergency Incident Command System

- Chain of management.
- Accountability of function.
- Flexible organizational chart.
- Documentation of capabilities.
- Common language.



## Marshalling

- “Get there firstest with the mostest.”
- Right people.
- Right stuff.
- Right time.
- Right place.



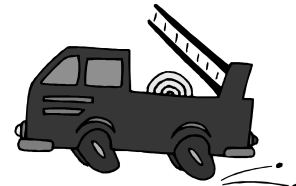
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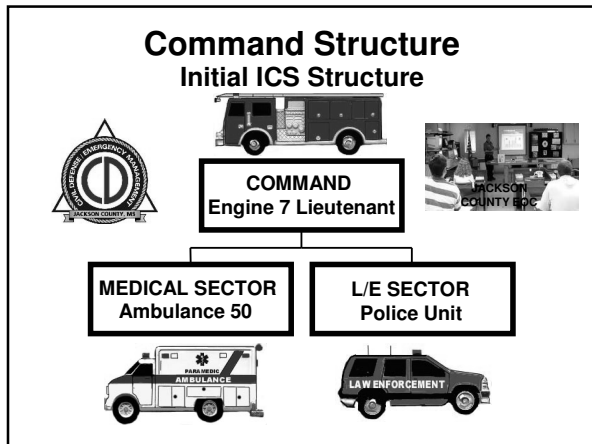
- Quality control.
- Source blending.
- Prioritization.
  - Need.
  - Transportation assets.
- Sequencing / throughput.
- Responsive to circumstances.
  - Mid-course correction.
- Stockpiling.



## Early Response

- Effective.
- Professional.
- Orderly.

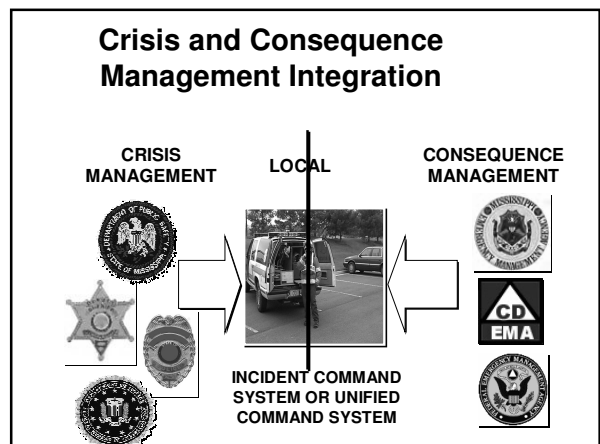
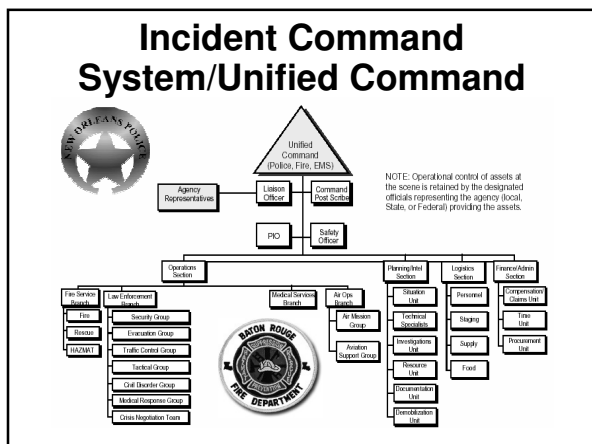




- ### Incident Management
- Establish command.
  - Ensure responder safety.
  - Assess incident priorities.
  - Determine operational objectives.
  - Develop and implement action plan.
  - Develop organizational structure.
  - Maintain manageable span of control.

- ### Incident Management
- Manage incident resources.
  - Coordinate emergency activities.
  - Coordinate activities of outside agencies.
  - Manage preparation and release of information to the mass media.
  - Monitor and record costs.

- ### Full Response
- Big as it needs to be to minimize casualties.
  - Delicate as a battleship.
- 



## Consequence Management Local Support



- DoD Teams
- Weapons of Mass Destruction Civil Support Teams (WMD-CST)
- Joint Task Force - Civil Support (JTF-CS)

## Consequence Management Local Support

- Metropolitan Medical Strike Teams (MMST)
- Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)
  - State Emergency Management Agencies



## Mop-up

- Finish it off.
- Thorough.
- Quick.
- Disciplined.
- Responsive to the public.
  - Plans and actions.
  - Tactical risk communication.



## Media Public Information Tactical Considerations

- 1. Targeted
- 2. Specific
- 3. Authoritative
- 4. Concise



## Action Phases: Recovery

- 10. Clean up.
  - Hierarchy of needs.
- 11. Reconstitution.
  - Ready to go again.
- 12. Convalescence/healing.
  - Return of functions.



## Action Phases: Recovery

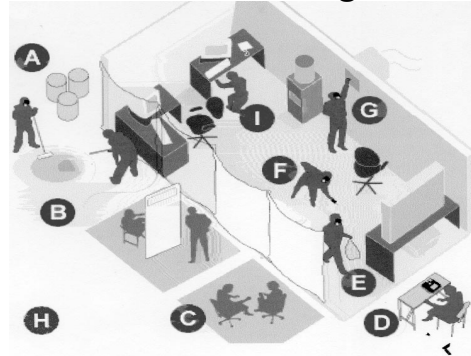
- 13. Rebuilding.
  - For the future not the past.
- 1. Prevention.
  - Shape the battlefield.

## Clean-up

- Follow through.
- Hierarchy of needs.



## Follow Through



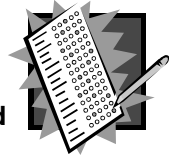
## Clean Up: Follow Through

- Return of personnel.
- Return of equipment.
- Cleanup.
- Damages.



## Clean Up: Follow Through

- Reimbursement.
- Recognition.
  - Authorities, agencies and participants.
- Constructive feedback.



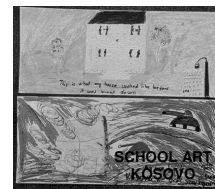
## Hierarchy Of Needs

- Safety.
- Water.
- Food.
- Shelter/heat.
- Clothing.
- Medical Care.
- Employment.



## Hierarchy Of Needs

- Companionship.
- Family environment.
- Stability.
- Social status and advancement.
- Child development.
- Care of elders.
- Mid and long term plans.



## Reconstitution

- Ready to go again.



## Convalescence / Healing Return of Functions

- Governance
- Housing
- Municipal Services
- Public Health Infrastructure
- Medical Services
- Education Services

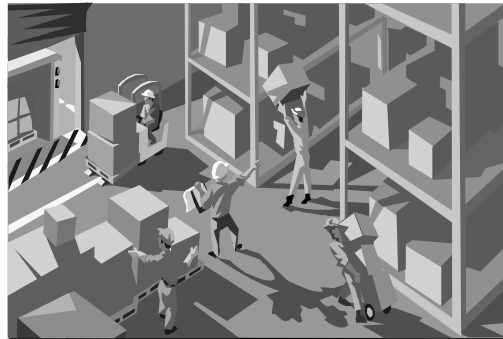


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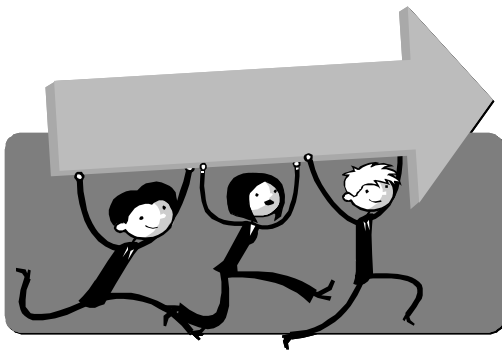
- For the future not the past.



## RESOURCES



## Coordination



## Prevention

- Shape the battlefield.
- Back to the future.
- “The good news to a hungry person is bread .”  
– Desmond Tutu



## Summary

- Introduction.
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- **“Plans are nothing, planning is everything.” – Gen. George Patton**

