

EMS Stakeholder Update Call re: COVID-19

March 10th, 2020 1600hrs.

Welcome and Introductions

Update on current activities (subject to change):

- Risk to US is still low
- Confirmed cases in US
- Update on Law Enforcement guidance
- PPE
- CDC PUI criteria
 - https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/hcp/clinical-criteria.html?CDC_AA_refVal=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.cdc.gov%2Fcoronavirus%2F2019-ncov%2Fclinical-criteria.html
- EMS education programs and clinical hours
- Surge planning.
- Needs or issues – email NHTSA.EMS@dot.gov

Resources:

- NHTSA Webinar: “What EMS and 911 need to know about COVID 19 – February 24, 2020: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZrnbufgDqjo>
- CDC Interim Guidance for EMS and 911 PSAPs for COVID-19 in the US
 - <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/hcp/guidance-for-ems.html>
- Healthcare Supply of PPE
 - <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/hcp/healthcare-supply-ppe.html>
- Strategies for Optimizing the Supply of N95 Respirators
 - <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/hcp/respirator-supply-strategies.html>
- EMS HHCD Awareness (National Ebola Training and Education Center)
 - <https://vimeo.com/393298804/d84e02e89b>
- ASPR EMS Infectious Disease Playbook
 - <https://www.ems.gov/pdf/ASPR-EMS-Infectious-Disease-Playbook-June-2017.pdf>
- Framework for Expanding EMS System Capacity During Medical Surge (CDC 2017)
 - <https://www.cdc.gov/cpr/readiness/healthcare/Expanding-EMS-Systems.htm>
- EMS Pandemic Influenza Guidelines for Statewide Adoption (NHTSA 2007)

- https://www.ems.gov/pdf/preparedness/Resources/Pandemic_Influenza_Guidelines.pdf
- Interim Pre-pandemic Planning Guidance: Community Strategy for Pandemic Influenza Mitigation in the United States, (CDC 2007)
 - https://www.cdc.gov/flu/pandemic-resources/pdf/community_mitigation-sm.pdf
- Crisis Standards of Care: EMS Toolkit (IOM 2013)
 - <https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/books/NBK201058/#top>

Open discussion notes:

- 911 centers surveillance
 - EMD – NAED Issued EIDS tool
 - APCO is referring to CDC website Guidance
 - PowerPhone is contacting all customers individually with information
- First responder quarantine
- Response configuration modifications
- Crisis standards of care