

Priority: Safety
Program Offer Type: Existing Operating
Related Programs:
Program Characteristics:

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Executive Summary

Public health response to communicable disease emergencies (e.g., pandemic flu) requires multi-jurisdictional/multi-agency, public and private sector collaboration. Public Health Emergency Preparedness (PHEP) develops the Health Department's internal capacity to respond and coordinates in planning and exercises with those jurisdictions and agencies. All work is planned and accomplished in the National Incident Management System's (NIMS) Incident Command System.

Program Description

Public Health Emergency Preparedness (PHEP) assures an effective response to emergencies that have significant health impacts and management of natural and manmade infectious disease events. This program provides emergency management expertise as well as the epidemiologic, communicable disease, and environmental health staff capacity to provide rapid disease analysis and response. PHEP works to develop and maintain: 1) An expanding cadre of Health Department staff capable of providing critical emergency public health services including epidemiology and disease prevention, mass prophylaxis operations and Incident Command; 2) Public health emergency plans and protocols; 3) Exercises to validate plans and develop staff experience and competency; 4) Coordination of preparedness and exercise activities with other County departments and regional partners in various jurisdictions and disciplines in the public and private sectors; 5) Exercised plans to reduce disruptions of the Department's business and assure rapid recovery of services after an emergency (i.e., business continuity).

Program Justification

1) PHEP addresses the Safety strategy to foster agency and multi-jurisdictional collaboration to benefit service delivery in an emergency response by emergency planning and exercising with multiple regional jurisdictions and agencies (e.g., Washington and Clackamas Counties, Portland Fire and Police, regional hospital and health care systems). 2) PHEP addresses the strategy to plan for appropriate, proportionate and coordinated emergency response using Incident Command in the NIMS framework, involving multiple agency representatives in the command structure in systematic exercises. 3) PHEP addresses the strategy to provide education on the role of government and citizens in the event of an emergency through public information messaging, multi-language emergency preparedness materials and surfacing governmental policy issues that address regional response.

Performance Measures

Measure Type	Primary Measure	Previous Year Actual (FY04-05)	Current Year Purchased (FY05-06)	Current Year Estimate (FY05-06)	Next Year Offer (FY06-07)
Output	Number of members of basically trained, maintained and annually exercised IMT	45	65	60	90
Outcome	Full scale exercise completed and evaluated	1	1	1	1

Performance Measure - Description

Measure 1. Department staff receiving NIMS approved curriculum-based training and exercised in full scale or other levels of emergency response exercise. In a given year, some staff will do both, depending on their training and experience.

Measure 2. Represents nationally accepted continuous quality improvement cycle of: 1) exercise plan/objectives, 2) exercise, 3) written After Action Report, 4) actions to address deficiencies identified and 5) repeat of cycle to assure significant improvement.

Legal/Contractual Obligation

ORS 431 and 433 empowers health officials to supervise all matters related to the preservation of life and health of the people of the state including investigating the cause and prevention of disease, especially epidemics, strictly enforcing public health laws, and having full power in the control of communicable diseases. Federal bio-terrorism grants are to be used for emergency preparedness. These funds must be used to build capacity, not to supplant pre 9/11/01 funds from other sources.

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds
Program Expenses	2006	2006	2007	2007
Personnel	\$0	\$384,514	\$0	\$410,790
Contracts	\$0	\$4,000	\$0	\$0
Materials & Supplies	\$0	\$55,371	\$0	\$92,832
Internal Services	\$0	\$121,307	\$0	\$78,706
Capital Outlay	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Subtotal: Direct Exps:	\$0	\$565,192	\$0	\$582,328
Administration	\$0	\$0	\$11,771	\$0
Program Support	\$0	\$0	\$161,400	\$70,407
Subtotal: Other Exps:	\$0	\$0	\$173,171	\$70,407
Total GF/non-GF:	\$0	\$565,192	\$173,171	\$652,735
Program Total:	\$565,192		\$825,906	
Program FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	4.18
Program Revenues				
Indirect for dep't Admin	\$29,983	\$0	\$27,637	\$0
Intergovernmental	\$0	\$565,192	\$0	\$582,328
Program Revenue for Admin	\$0	\$0	\$35,000	\$70,407
Total Revenue:	\$29,983	\$565,192	\$62,637	\$652,735

Explanation of Revenues**Significant Program Changes**

Last year this program was: #40025, Public Health Emergency Preparedness