

PHEP Evaluation Strategy: Exploring the Way Ahead

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Background and Context

- ❑ **Evolution of performance measure development process**
 - Performance measures for all 15 capabilities developed
- ❑ **Development of Capabilities Planning Guide**
 - Self-assessment of capability status
- ❑ **National Health Security Preparedness Index**
- ❑ **Multimodal, multilevel evaluation**
 - Processes, outputs, outcomes
 - Qualitative and quantitative
 - Multiple aims
 - program improvement
 - accountability
 - demonstration of impact



Performance Measure Collection and Reporting Strategy

- ❑ New guidance, templates, training webinars for all measures, and tools for local data collection
- ❑ Three types of measures with different reporting requirements
 - Core public health: Annual
 - Pre-incident planning: Only if PHEP funding is allocated (Budget Period 1 exception)
 - Response: If capability is utilized/demonstrated



Performance Measures Collection and Reporting Strategy

- ❑ Measures normally will be collected at end of year only
- ❑ Budget Period 1 - key items for new measures
 - Mid-year reporting to:
 - Pilot test: What should we keep, modify, retire?
 - Baseline: Essential to determine if “needle” moves over five-year project period
- ❑ Reporting
 - Annual aggregate and awardee reports
 - Project officer reports; awardee fact sheets; state-by-state report; National Health Security Preparedness Index



Performance Measure Evaluation Strategy

- ❑ **Goal:** Inform decisions about which measures to keep, modify, or retire
- ❑ **Objectives:** Assess relevance and utility of *all* measures (Budget Periods 9, 10, 10 Extension, 11, and 1) as well as feasibility of data collection
- ❑ **Priority:** Reducing burden; decision should be informed by feedback *and* science



Performance Measure Evaluation Strategy

❑ Four components

- Quality assurance and validation
- Structured feedback from project officers
- Structured feedback from awardees
- Feedback from other stakeholders (internal and external)

❑ Timeline: October through March, with staggered feedback scheduled with stakeholders

❑ Currently coordinating strategy with ASTHO Performance Evaluation and Improvement Workgroup

❑ Further involvement with stakeholders desired... need to determine how



Technical Assistance Review (TAR) Process and Transition Timeline

- ❑ **Budget Period 1 – no significant changes**
 - May 1, 2013, deadline for TAR evaluation to be completed
- ❑ **Budget Period 2 – DSLR work group short-term tasks**
 - Streamline current tool, remove redundancies
 - Develop performance-based model for alternate TAR cycles
 - Complete changes by mid-December 2012
- ❑ **Budget Period 3 – make tool as meaningful as possible**
 - Operational focused
- ❑ **Distribution and dispensing standards**
- ❑ **Coordination with ASTHO medical countermeasures steering committee**



Discussion of Concept of Targets

- ❑ **Exploring new concept of creating targets for each capability to help answer:**
 - “How do we know when we have built a capability to a sufficient level?”
- ❑ **Jurisdictionally defined or federally defined?**
- ❑ **4 potential models**
 - No guidance: jurisdictions define targets
 - Some framing guidance: jurisdictions define targets
 - Minimal federally defined targets
 - Definitive federally defined targets
- ❑ **Need to determine impact on performance measurement**



Questions to Inform the Way Ahead

- ❑ **How can we best balance competing need to:**
 - Ensure program accountability?
 - Raise the bar on performance?
 - Demonstrate the value of PHEP to Congress and the public?

versus

 - Need to reduce burden?
 - Need to measure what is actually relevant?
- ❑ **Is the proposed performance measure collection and validation strategy viable?**
- ❑ **Should we consider additional or alternative approaches to evaluate progress?**
 - Targets?
 - Indicators?



Feedback and Discussion



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