I. WELCOME/INTRODUCTIONS (Kristine Oase Guth)
   Attendees:
   Michelle Patterson, Jamey Morgan, Jordan Thomson, Lynnan Svensson, Mary Abel,
   Karen Bender, Stacy Bolton, Lesley Coovelis, Kristine O. Guth, Barbara Houghton,
   Carol Keates, Joan Kling, Kim Mollet, Amy Velasco, Carol Velasquez, Richard Todd,
   Remotely:
   Mike Deatherage, Rodney Wright, Shane Marquardt

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES (Kristine Oase Guth)
    Minutes of the July 9, 2013, Public Health Preparedness Workgroup (PHPWG) meeting
    were discussed. Notify Kristine Guth or Pat Lahey of any changes or corrections. Final
    minutes will be posted to the website, www.edcgov.us/publichealthpreparedness.

III. PRESENTATION: MEDICAL HEALTH OPERATIONAL AREA
     COORDINATOR (MHOAC) (Kristine Oase Guth)
     - Kristine gave an annual refresher presentation on role of the MHOAC in El
       Dorado county.

IV. STATEWIDE MEDICAL AND HEALTH EXERCISE UPDATE (Workgroup)
    Many agencies have been involved in the planning of this exercise.
    Scenario – Foodborne Outbreak
    - Tabletop Exercise - October 17, 9:00 am to 12:00 pm at Marshall Hospital
      Conference Room B.
    - Functional Exercise - November 21, 8 am – 12 pm. Hospitals will test their
      medical surge plan, communications and information sharing. OES will be
      functionally setting up their EOC to do an annual test of their equipment. A
      simulation cell will be set up. Will also be testing a virtual Joint Information
      Center (JIC). If an agency would like to participate to test how their agency
      responds, notify Kristine at: kristine.oase@edcgov.us.
    Multi-Media Training and Organizations Self-Assessment
    Information about the training and self-assessments was sent out with the meeting
    reminder.

V. EXERCISES AND TRAININGS
   Virtual Table Top Exercise
   - Scenario: Winter storm in El Dorado County.
   - Hosted by: Emergency Management Institute in Maryland.
   - Date: October 23, 8:30 am – 1:00 pm
   - Where: EMS Conference room.
Quarterly Communications Drill

- Date: November 14, 1:30 pm.

Mental Health First Aid Class for Working with Adults

- Date: November 5, 12, 19, and 26 (9 am – 12:00 pm)
- Where: Green Valley Church.
- Register online or contact Stephanie Carlson at: 530-621-6315, or stephanie.carlson@edcgov.us.

VI. GOOD OF THE ORDER AND AGENCY UPDATES

Animal Services - Henry Brzezinski

- They responded on the Patterson Fire and monitored cattle and horses, and domestic animals.

Public Health Community Based Nursing – Lynnan Svesnson

- Running community flu clinics. Seeing a 10% increase in attendance over last year. Conducted a drive through flu clinic in which Preparedness, EMS, and CERT volunteers assisted. For more information on the flu clinics go to the Public Health web page at www.edcgov.us/publichealth.
- HHS is also doing outreach regarding Affordable Care Act (ACA). Public Health is available to give educational forums to groups. If interested call Lynnan at: 530-621-6185 or lynnan.svensson@edcgov.us.

Animal Services - Jennifer Hamburg

- Dog licensing amnesty is going on during October and November. Offering half priced license for altered and newly licensed animals.
- Recently EDC Animal Services staff and volunteers participated in a world record setting event with Placer and Sacramento Counties where they implanted over 2300 microchips (269 in El Dorado County alone) into dogs and cats in one day. Their record will go into the Guinness Book of World Records for micro-chipping.

Public Health – Chris Weston

- Working with the Public Health Officer on Public Health Accreditation. EDC is in the early stages of preparation, doing the community health assessments and documenting policies and procedures. It’s a 3-4 year process.

Community Health Clinic – Stacy Bolton

- They were not awarded a grant to expand to Cameron Park. They are still in the pool for another grant.
- Just received their Flu vaccine yesterday.
- They currently have certified enrollment counselors (CEC’s) available to talk to patients about the ACA. Additional staff will also be trained as CEC’s.
- Moving towards patient centered medical home status; they have passed stages 1 and 2 and working towards stage 3.

Marshall Hospital – Carol Valesquez

- Started mandatory flu shots for employees. If employee signs a declination form they are mandated to wear a mask from December 1 – March 31.

DaVita Dialysis – Kim Mollet

- 100% compliance with staff flu vaccination. Of 106 patients, 103 accepted vaccinations.
Public Health Preparedness Outreach – Lesley Coovelis
This month Preparedness will be giving personal preparedness presentations to organizations and their staff.

American Red Cross – Joan Kling
- ARC has been busy responding to fires. Tuolumne Public Health set up a Rim Fire Shelter for over two weeks at Sonora Fair Grounds. PH nurses worked with ARC nurses to provide care. Had special needs patients on oxygen in the shelter. Co-located caged domestic animals.
- Also responded to the Clover fire in Redding.

Environmental Management (EM) – Karen Bender
- Treated over 360 yellow jacket nests in August and over 300 in September through the Vector Control Program. Complaints are declining but still treated 15 nests on October 7.
- There is a new CDPH Public Health Biologist, Ashley Freeman, in the SLT area.
- El Dorado County reported no patient cases of West Nile Virus. There were a couple of positive dead birds on the west slope, none in the Tahoe Region. EM will be looking at GPS mapping of positive birds and virus trends over time in Tahoe Basin as well as West Slope.

Environmental Management – Amy Velasco
- Drug Take Back Day will take place on October 26, 10 am – 2 pm in Placerville at the Fair Lane Sheriff’s station and in El Dorado Hills at the Sheriff’s sub-station in Town Center. There is information available on the sheriff’s website.
- The Vector Control program will start up again in March or April, 2014. Tahoe has a tax assessment that funds the program there. The remainder of the county doesn’t have funding for the program.

Marshall Medical – Mary Abel
Mary and Candace Revaz attended the CHA Disaster Preparedness Conference. They are updating their policies and procedures based on what they learned.

Sheriff’s Office of Emergency Services (OES) – Jamey Morgan
- Jordan Thomson, newly assigned to OES, was introduced.
- OES busy with fire season. Had 2 fires over the weekend.
- As winter nears, it’s time to test generators and cut trees that are hanging over power lines.

EMS - Rich Todd
- Cal Fire and the fire districts have been proactive in responding to the fires. Strike teams are going out of the county non-stop with California resources stretched thin. During the Patterson Fire, one evacuation center was opened.
- EMS Agency and Public Health Preparedness are relocating their offices below the County library. PHP Workgroup meeting location will change.

Alpine County – Shane Marquardt
- Held their Health Fair last weekend at Turtle Rock Park with 130 – 140 attendees.
- Held a Drive Through Flu Clinic in conjunction with Health Fair and gave just under 120 vaccinations.
Barton Hospital – Rodney Wright
On September 6, they had a Hazardous Materials incident that resulted in a chlorine release. The fire department helped ventilate the area. They are working on their incident after action reports.

Public Health Lab – Mike Deatherage
Will be partnering with Marshall Hospital Lab to test and type influenza.

The next Public Health Preparedness Workgroup meeting will be held on January 14, 2014.