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From: Lisa Fenger, Project Manager, Long Term Care Emergency Preparedness, Continuing Care Leadership Coalition
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RE: HPP Deliverable 2.B.1a, Summary of Emergency Preparedness Symposium #1

Per the terms of the Continuing Care Leadership Coalition's (CCLC) HPP BP1 2019-2020 Grant Year contract, with this writing CCLC summarizes the first of two New York City Emergency Preparedness Symposia (EPS) for the budget period, as convened on November 7, 2019 and which included leadership of all funded NYCHCC sectors. Presentations and activities delivered at the meeting are summarized, below:

Presentations and Activities

- Lou Kaplan, Director of Post-Acute Services, Kings Harbor Multicare Center provided a welcome message and introduction to the day;
- Janice Halloran, Associate Executive Director, Operations, New York City Health + Hospitals | Jacobi (NYC H+H | Jacobi) gave an overview of a recent mass casualty exercise that Jacobi conducted along with the U.S. Army;
- Celia Quinn, Executive Director, OEPR, BHSR, DOHMH discussed the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), Office of the Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response (ASPR) Hospital Preparedness Program (HPP) and the New York City Healthcare Coalition (NYCHCC) structure;
- Michael Arenella, Director, PCS Clinical, Alliance for Health / Accent Care spoke about his experience in coordinating home care services with the Bronx Emergency Preparedness Coalition (BEPC) during exercises ;
- Toni Knight, Pediatric Trauma Program Manager, NYC H+H | Jacobi, discussed Stop the Bleed techniques;
- A breakout session addressed role of borough coalitions in emergency preparedness and response;
- Les Welsh, Emergency Response Coordinator, OEPR, BHSR, NYC DOHMH discussed facility preparation for SurgeEx;
- Bill Lang, Director, Hospitals and Health Care Coalition, OEPR, BHSR, NYC DOHMH provided an overview of rapid patient discharge; and
- Breakout sessions provided the opportunity for participants to brainstorm and then synthesize ideas with the goal of improving health care coalitions including, among other topics: communications, information sharing, and coordination of sectors within healthcare for increased effectiveness of emergency preparation and response.

Next Steps

- The next EPS is scheduled for March 2020 with specific date to be determined.