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From: Lisa Fenger, Project Manager, Long Term Care Emergency Preparedness, Continuing Care Leadership Coalition
Date: June 17, 2020
RE: HPP Deliverable 2.C.1a, Comprehensive Summary of Four Long Term Care Disaster Preparedness Council (LTC-DPC) Meetings 2019-20

Per the terms of the Continuing Care Leadership Coalition's (CCLC) HPP BP1 2019-2020 Grant Year contract, with this writing CCLC summarizes the LTC-DPC meetings convened during 2019 on October 29 and December 12 and during 2020 on March 5 and June 2, and further provides overall analysis on the meeting series:

LTC-DPC #1: October 29, 2019, CCLC Offices

- Allison Scaccia, Director of Clinical Planning, Bureau of Emergency Field Operations, Office of Emergency Preparedness and Response (OEPR), NYC Department of Health and Mental Hygiene (DOHMH) prepared a presentation on the Public Health Emergency Response Network Auxiliary Distribution Program (PHERN ADP) that was presented by Danielle Sollecito, Senior Program Manager, Long Term Care Facility Preparedness and Response, OEPR, DOHMH;
- Andrew Karn, Lead for Partnerships, Citizen, described how the Citizen mobile app works and lead a discussion on its applicability for the healthcare sector;
- Lisa Fenger, Project Manager, Long Term Care Emergency Preparedness, CCLC provided an overview of National Weather Service hurricane maps and terminology; and
- Dr. Debra Sottolano, Lead for Healthcare Preparedness and Response, Office of Primary Care and Health Systems Management, New York State Department of Health spoke on commonly cited deficiencies and areas of improvement related to the CMS emergency preparedness rule.

Percentage of attendees that completed a survey and rated the session as somewhat or very helpful: 100%

LTC-DPC #2: December 12, 2019, Webinar

- Dr. Kathryn Hyer, Director of the Florida Policy Exchange Center on Aging and Professor in the School of Aging Studies, College of Behavioral and Community Sciences, University of South Florida, Tampa and Dr. Lindsay Peterson, Research Assistant Professor and Director of Internship Program, University of South Florida, Tampa. Lindsay Peterson, Research Assistant Professor and Director of Internship Program, University of South Florida provided an overview of their work on the impacts of evacuation vs. sheltering-in-place for nursing home patients following recent hurricanes.
- Kimberly Borts, Director of Charitable Giving and Communications, Bishop Gadsden Episcopal Retirement Community and Katie Jayne, Director of Community Life and Compliance, Bishop Gadsden discussed the their facility's response to a number of hurricane and winter storms including evacuation and sheltering-in-place.

Percentage of attendees that completed a survey and rated the session as somewhat or very helpful: 89%

LTC-DPC #3: March 5, 2020, Webinar

- Dr. Celia Quinn, Career Epidemiology Field Officer (CEFO), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Assigned to: Executive Director, Bureau of Healthcare System Readiness (BHSR), Office of Emergency Preparedness and Response (OEPR), NYC Department of Health and Mental Hygiene (DOHMH) gave an update on the COVID-19 epidemic and the DOHMS response; and
- Bryan Wood, Emergency Management Coordinator, Medical University of South Carolina presented on crisis communications and how to develop a communication program prior to a potential crisis.

Percentage of attendees that completed a survey and rated the session as somewhat or very helpful: 100%

LTC-DPC #4: June 2, 2020, Webinar

- Laura Goodman and Aarti Agarwal, New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, provided an update on the COVID-19 response including DOHMH plans for nursing home resident testing;
- Dr. Patricia A. Bomba, Vice President & Medical Director, Geriatrics, Excellus BlueCross BlueShield, MOLST & eMOLST Program Director, Chair of MOLST Statewide Implementation Team, Chair of National Healthcare Decisions Day NYS Coalition, described the importance of discharge planning prior to an emergency and how Medical Orders for Life-Sustaining Treatment (MOLST) can be implemented to better address patient and family concerns regarding medical treatment; and
- Andrew Karn, Lead for Partnerships, Citizen, discussed how the Citizen mobile app could be used in a post-COVID setting in long-term care.

Percentage of attendees that completed a survey and rated the session as somewhat or very helpful: 100%

Next Steps

- The LTC-DPC series has concluded for the HPP BP1 2019-2020 Grant Year. In future grant years, CCLC commits to continuing to develop programming that addresses the ongoing impact of the COVID-19 pandemic as well as preparing for additional emergent issues facing the New York City nursing home sector leadership, and to draw on nationwide resources, all in effort to prepare local facilities for a wide variety of potential risks that could negatively affect individuals in receipt of care, their loved ones, and the organizations that deliver such care. CCLC appreciates the imperative of this work and looks forward to bringing the LTCDPC into its fifth annual cycle during the fall of 2020.