



*WELCOME to the  
Fall 2015*

*Regional Staff Meeting*

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# *Introductions*

Name

Agency

Role

Favorite vacation spot



# ***CDPHE OEPR Update***

Fall 2015 Regional Staff Meeting

Karin McGowan and Nicole Comstock

October 6, 2015

Nicole Comstock  
Interim Director

Garry DeJong  
(Interim)  
Response Branch

Judy Yockey  
Grants Branch

 Aaron Vigil  
Admin/  
Fiscal Branch

Greg Stasinos  
Preparedness  
Branch

Lyle Moore  
Resiliency  
Officer

Curt Drennen  
Community Outreach

Melanie Simons  
SNS Coord.

Joslyn Hilliard  
Contract  
Monitor

OPEN  
Plans Coord.

Barbara Beiser  
Contract Monitor

Keith Schemper  
Behavioral Health

Nancy Gilbert  
Pandemic Coord.

OPEN  
Contract Admin.

Ann Nedrow  
Emergency Line

 Vivian Schemper  
Ebola PHEP  
Coord.

 Aimee Voth-Siebert  
Community  
Inclusion

OPEN  
CRI Coord.

Paula Robinson  
Fiscal Coord.

Juliann Bertone  
Communications

 Angela Dyjack  
Ebola HPP Coord.

 Lynn Garst  
Behavioral Health

Patrick Barnett  
MOU Coord.

Pam Pergande  
Admin Asst.

Nicole Roland  
Planner

 Darcie Bentz  
CDC Field  
Assignee

Garry DeJong  
Systems Integration

 Erica Bushong  
CDC Field Assignee

Wendy Chavez  
Program Asst.

OPEN  
Training Coord.

OPEN  
Ebola Fiscal  
Coord.

Kristen Campos  
HAN Coord.

Korey Bell  
PHEP Grant

Rachel Coles  
Evaluator

 Aubrey Kukral  
Systems Coord.

Greg Jones  
HPP Contract Monitor

OPEN  
Contract Monitor

Koral O'Brien  
Volunteer Coord.

 New staff since last regional staff meeting  
 Staff on temporary leave

# *Plan for Hiring Permanent Director*

October to early November 2015: Environmental scan performed by Nicole Comstock

Mid November 2015: Refine position description based on results of environmental scan

Late November 2015: Post position

# *Environmental Scan*

## Target audience:

- LPHA staff (regional generalists/epidemiologists, EPR coordinators, agency directors, other staff per agency preference)
- CDPHE OEPR staff
- Internal CDPHE partners
- Other partners (other state agencies, organizations OEPR works with, etc.)

# *Environmental Scan*

## Methods:

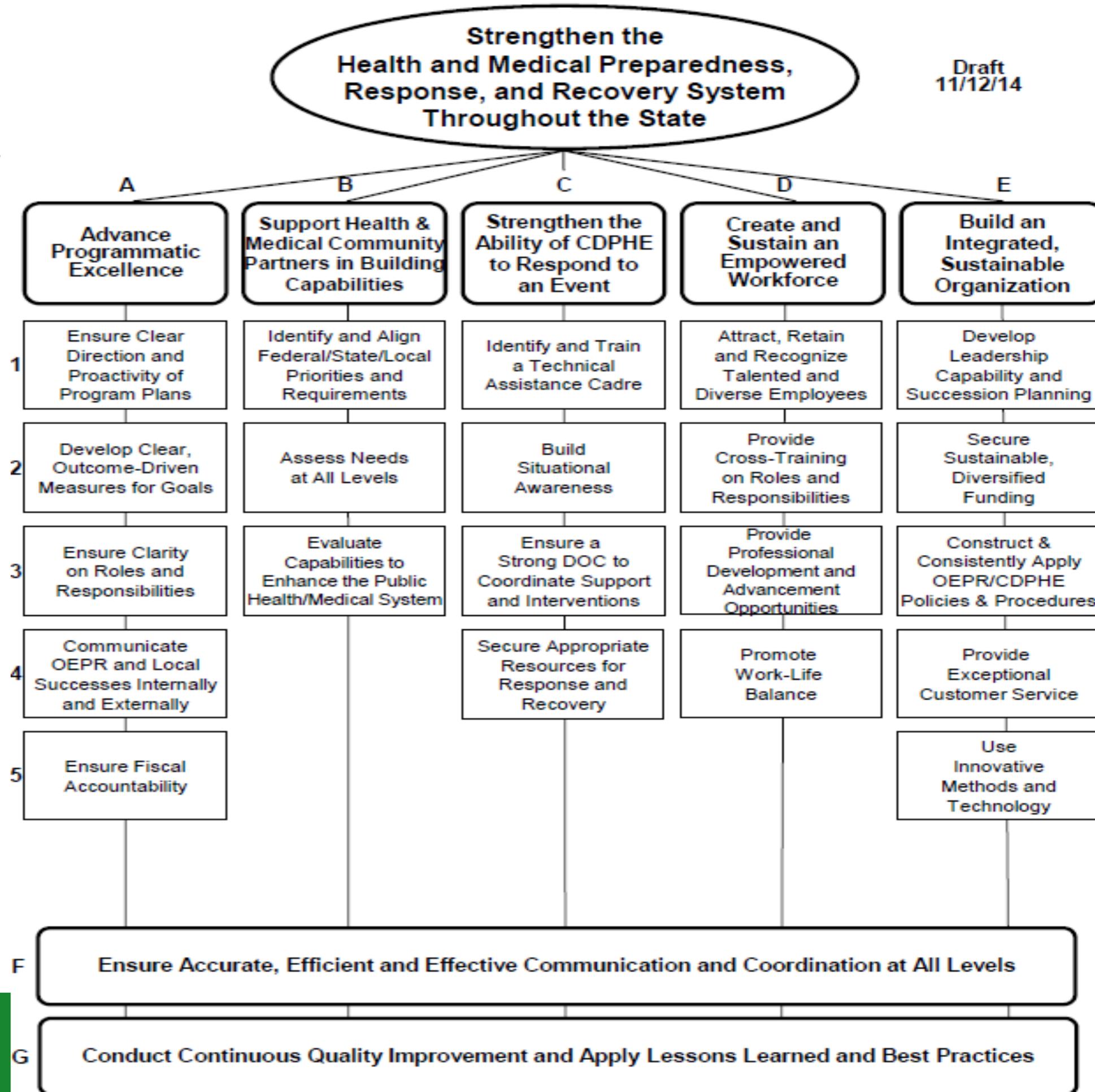
- In-person visits or online survey option
- All data will be aggregated and kept anonymous
- Approximately 10 questions

# *Environmental Scan*

## Results:

- Report generated and shared with partners
- Inform development of director position description
- Contribute to future direction of OEPR

# OEPR Strategic Plan



# *OEPR Contract Process*

## Timeline:

March 2016: Work plans developed and finalized

April 2016: Contracts written

Late April/early May 2016: Contracts sent to LPHAs

Early June 2016: Contracts returned to CDPHE from LPHAs

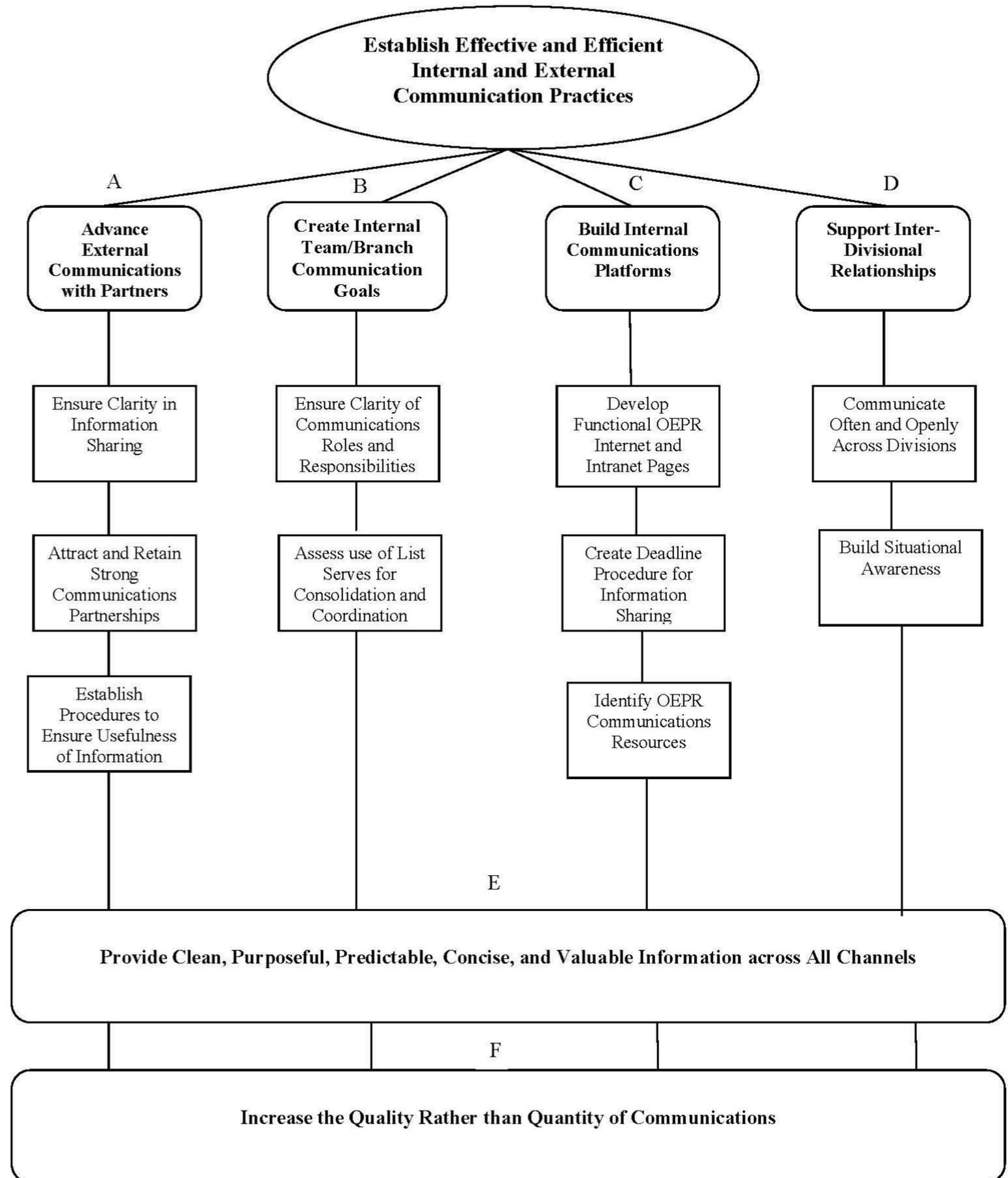
July 1, 2016: Contracts begin

### - Explore developing:

- New budget template that mirrors standardized invoice
- Additional guidance for partners on developing a budget and invoicing

# OEPR Communications

2015 OEPR  
Communications Plan:  
Developed to establish  
effective and efficient  
internal and external  
communication practices





# OEPR Communications

OEPR Website:  
Providing easy access to  
content such as regional  
staff meetings and the  
2015-2017 exercise series



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## Exercise Series 2015 - 2017

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### CDPHE Pneumonic Plague Functional Exercise Series “Coughmonic”

The exercise documentation packet below for the CDPHE Pneumonic Plague Functional Exercise Series “Coughmonic” provides healthcare coalitions with the base documents needed to conduct and evaluate a functional exercise. These documents should be used by local healthcare coalitions, and its members, to design and tailor a functional exercise. Four mandatory objectives have been created by the CDPHE Exercise Design Committee, and these must be tested and evaluated during the functional exercise.

Individual agencies within the coalition should participate in planning the functional exercise, and should modify exercise objectives and tasks according to their exercising needs. An exercise planning team comprised of Healthcare Coalition members is highly recommended in order to facilitate the modification of, and additions to, existing base exercise documents. All Healthcare Coalition member agencies are encouraged to participate in the functional exercise, and should all attempt to meet individual exercise requirements by modifying exercise documents (these may be Joint Commission requirements, CMS requirements, EMPG requirements, etc).

Functional exercises involve rapid decision making and the simulated deployment of resources and personnel, however, no actual response activities will take place. The simulated environment allows participants to focus on command and control functions, communications, coordination among response partners, and the implementation of policies and procedures, without actually deploying resources.

### Exercise Instructions and Report Forms

These forms will give coalitions and partners guidance on editing the CDPHE Pneumonic Plague Functional Exercise documents. The list of available date options is provided, as well as the Healthcare Coalition report form which will allow individual coalitions to give contact information for each exercise location, and request additional injects or exercise support. Please utilize these forms to develop the exercise, modify documents, and report to CDPHE on expected objectives.

- [Instruction Guide](#).
- [Date Options. Dates Selected](#).
- [Objectives, Functions and Task List](#).
- [HCC Report Form](#).

# *Update:*

## *Training/Mentoring Work Group*

Workgroup formed after the Spring 2015 Public Health EPR

Members: Keith Schemper (chair), Sara Garrington, Linda Smith, Nanci Quintana, Keri McDuffie, Audrey Gwinn, Abbie Cobb, Nicole Comstock

### Goals:

- Identify training needs among PH EPR staff (especially new staff)
- Develop training materials
- Develop a mentoring program

Progress: Training needs and existing resources identified; pilot mentoring program for LPHA regional staff this winter

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## *Additional Funding Requests*

83 proposals received requesting \$1,134,104

CDPHE Review Committee meets the week of October 12, 2015

Applicants notified of proposal status mid October 2015

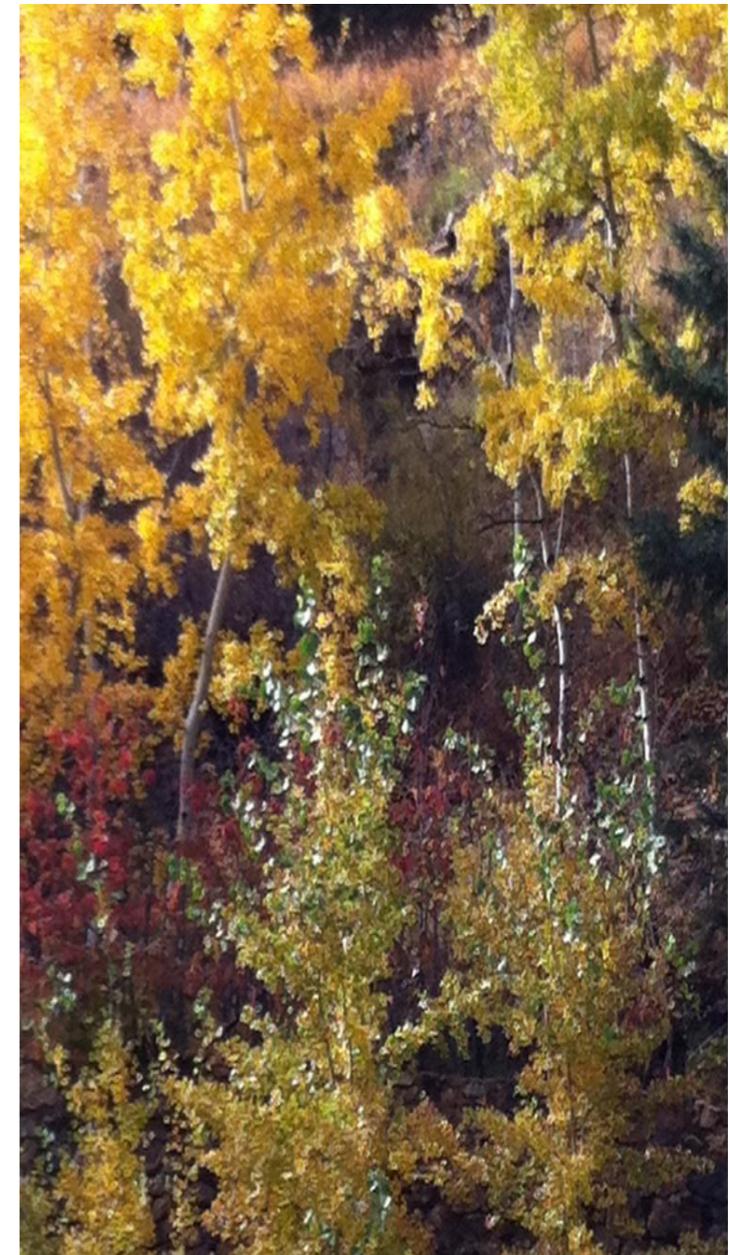
Forward additional information requests to Judy Yockey ASAP

Stakeholder survey of process after funds are awarded

# *Hospital/Healthcare Preparedness Program (HPP) Public Health and Emergency Preparedness Program (PHEP) - Regular Funding*

2015-2016 HPP and PHEP regular funding:  
Funds activities and deliverables outlined  
in the work plans in the contracts or  
purchase orders.

2015-2016 work plans reflect what our  
federal grantors (ASPR and CDC) have  
approved when they accepted our  
cooperative agreement application for  
our budget period 4.



# *HPP and PHEP - Regular Funding (continued)*



2015-2016 LPHA scope of works and work plans are available on CO-SHARE - Grant Guidance and Reporting (LPHA) - *Agency Name* - Scope of Work Folder

Questions - Please contact: Judy Yockey, Korey Bell or your state Regional Point of Contact

# *Ebola Funding*

Ebola funding can only be used for Ebola-related projects

