



# Spokane Community Organizations Active in Disasters: Meeting Minutes

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## COAD Vision Statement

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*To create a community resilient from disasters.*

## COAD Mission Statement

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*Be prepared by bringing together community partners and individuals to foster greater community resiliency within Spokane County through: Cooperation, Coordination, Collaboration and Communications. Spokane COAD is a coordinating organization and will not assume direct operational responsibility in any disaster situation.*

**Meeting Date:** August 6, 2019

Spokane Salvation Army

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**Call to Order:**

**0900**

**Introductions:**

**Leonard Westermeyer**

## Presentations:

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**Malia Nogle, Epidemiologist – Spokane Region Health District | Infectious Diseases**

## Hot Topics & Agency Updates:

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### **Agency Updates:**

#### **Aging & Long-Term Care of Eastern Washington:**

- Updating and enhancing emergency preparedness and continuity of operations that occurs every four-years and will be improving how they respond
- ALTCEW provides in-home care and community-based services in Washington State; 85% of those are in-home care and covered by Medicaid

#### **Eastern Washington University:**

- Conducted their annual active shooter training that included Cheney PD, WA State Patrol & other entities

#### **Fire District 13:**

- Spokane County FD13 breaks ground for a new fire station

#### **Greater Spokane Emergency Management:**

- Compared to previous years, smoke has been minimal; Keep up with [SRHD](#) and the [Spokane Clean Air Agency](#) for the latest safety measures and air quality measuring at Clean Air's website.

#### **HOPE Animal-Assisted Crisis Response:**

- 3-Day Workshop in Pullman, August 23 – 25, 2019 that will be covering psychological first aid and incident command training; this training certifies dogs and their handlers as animal-assisted crisis response dogs

#### **Kootenai Health:**

- Save the Date: Kootenai Health Emergency Preparedness Fair, August 18, 2019 |
- Job Announcement: Emergency Communications Specialist
- Job Announcement: Regional Emergency Manager

#### **Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC):**

- Next meeting: Wednesday, August 21, 2019 | 9:00 – 10:30 a.m. – Location [see agenda here](#)

#### **National Weather Service:**

- Open House – September 21, 2019 | 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. @ 2601 N Rambo, Spokane WA, 99224
- The forecast shows hot and smoky with another round of thunderstorms

#### **Region 9 Healthcare Coalition:**

- [August 2019 Trainings](#)

#### **Red Cross:**

- Starting October 12, 2019, Red Cross will be installing 300 smoke alarms and expanding services into North Idaho

#### **Spokane Salvation Army:**

- The SVA Backpack for Kids program distributed 5,000 backpacks with schools supplies to families in need
- Single occupancy transitional housing still available; please contact SVA at (509) 325-6821

#### **Spokane Regional Health District (SRHD):**

- For information on preparing for wildfire smoke, or questions around protecting your health during wildfire, visit SRHD's website at: <https://srhd.org/news/2019/how-to-prepare-for-wildfires>
- Please see August 6, 2019, COAD Presentation for current data on Infectious Diseases in WA State
- Please [click here](#) for WA State Dept. of Health Ebola Virus Disease & Other Special Pathogens Disease Online Training Flyer
- **Medical Reserve Corp**
  - MRC continues to offer free trainings for CPR, Suicide Prevention and Good to Go Evacuation Preparedness with bags
  - State funding for Narcan has been extended and the MRC is offering training as well as Nasal Narcan to qualifying agencies
  - MRC volunteers are helping with area Hep A vaccination clinics
  - Please contact Summer Warfield for trainings; Summer Warfield, Emergency Preparedness & Response-Coordinator for the MRC of Eastern Washington - [swarfield@srhd.org](mailto:swarfield@srhd.org)

**Team Rubicon:**

- Deployments to Houston and the Midwest assisting with disaster cleanup and relief efforts
- Leadership positions available; and open training for heavy equipment operator certification, please contact CJ Gribble for more information – [gribblecj@googlemail.com](mailto:gribblecj@googlemail.com)

**VA Hospital:**

- Save the Date: VA Emergency Preparedness Fair ([Click here for Flyer](#)) September 19, 2019 | 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.; If your organization would like to have a booth at the preparedness fair in September, please contact VA Emergency Manager, Chris Jaklitsch at [Christopher.Jaklitsch@va.gov](mailto:Christopher.Jaklitsch@va.gov)
- In October, the VA will be conducting their annual influenza shot clinic, however, this year they are going to utilize a few pieces of their emergency operations plan. They will be assembling the surge shelter system and deploying the 50-bed surge trailer, working through the emergency credentialing policy and working to simulate a highly infectious disease epidemic in order to test the pandemic surge capabilities

**Whitworth University:**

- Flu Campaign with two vaccine (MMR) clinics for students returning early Fall Semester

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**Next Meeting:**

**September 3, 2019 @ Spokane Salvation Army, 204 E Indiana (Building #6)**









# Hepatitis A outbreak among homeless, drug users hits 4 Wash. counties

by KOMO New Staff | Tuesday, July 30th 2019


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## Hepatitis

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 FOX 28 Spokane (press release) (blog)

## Number of Hepatitis A cases among Spokane County's homeless ...

Washington state health officials say the number of Hepatitis A cases in Spokane County has tripled since last month to nine cases. Eight of ...

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## Hepatitis A Outbreak Cases by County in Washington State

County	Cases
King	2
Spokane	9
Snohomish	1
Pend Oreille	1
Total	13

- 9 cases Spokane Co.
- Many outbreaks occurring across the U.S.
  - Predominantly in homeless and IDU population
- Worried about spillover to food-service workers and first responders
- Sanitation issue

# Hepatitis A

# HAV Outreach Efforts

- Vaccination Clinics
  - Hosted 14 across the city in facilities hosting at-risk population since June 1 with 370 doses administered
  - Outreach efforts have been on-going since October 2018, totaling 1,027 doses administered
- Messaging
  - Public
  - Medical providers
  - YOU!
- Site visits
  - Vaccines
  - Food safety

# HAV – What you can do

## Posters

- SRHD can provide posters and other informational handouts for you to give to clients

## Vaccines

- Want to host a vaccine clinic? Let us know!

## Promote good sanitation practices!

- Hand hygiene and handwashing facilities
- Access to bathrooms
- Proper cleaning protocol

# Special Pathogens

- Sacred Heart Medical Center's Special Pathogens Unit
  - One of 10 regional treatment centers in the United States
  - Initially funded by a \$1.6 million grant
  - Home to negative airflow patient rooms, specialized PPE, specialty trained staff from all departments at SHMC
- Conduct exercises with local partners
  - Usually two per year with partners
  - Frequently conduct their own internal exercises and trainings
- Since Fall of 2018
  - Care of the deceased
  - MERS patient transport with pediatric case
  - NETEC Emerging Infectious Diseases Conference





# Training Opportunity – Special Pathogens

## Washington State Department of Health Ebola Virus Disease and Other Special Pathogens Disease Online Training

The Washington State Department of Health Emerging Infectious Disease Program is providing numerous trainings from June 2019 through February 2020 on the Washington Ebola Virus Disease (EVD) and Other Special Pathogens Disease (OSPD) Statewide Response Framework\* for partners and agencies involved in aspects of patient placement, movement, and treatment. The intent is to attend trainings in sequence: first a seminar to learn about the plan, then a workshop to build knowledge of executing the plan and finally a tabletop exercise to expand proficiency of the plan. All trainings will occur online, through GoToMeeting.

Online Seminars	
09-Jul-19	1100-1200
06-Aug-19	0900-1000
11-Sep-19	1300-1400
03-Oct-19	1100-1200
16-Dec-19	1000-1100
09-Jan-20	1100-1200
06-Feb-20	0900-1000

Online Workshops	
27-Jun-19	1100-1200
25-Jul-19	1000-1100
28-Aug-19	1300-1400
25-Sep-19	1300-1400
17-Oct-19	1000-1100
12-Dec-19	1400-1500
23-Jan-20	1000-1100
20-Feb-20	1100-1200

Online Tabletop Exercises	
13-Aug-19	1000-1200
23-Oct-19	1300-1500
19-Nov-19	1000-1200
28-Jan-20	1000-1200
12-Feb-20	1300-1500

### WHO SHOULD ATTEND

These trainings are intended for:

- Healthcare coalitions
- Healthcare facilities
- Local health jurisdictions
- Public/Private EMS agencies
- Tribal health partners
- Emergency management



### To Register:

All iterations are the same

Register by emailing:

[matt.simons@doh.wa.gov](mailto:matt.simons@doh.wa.gov)

\*WA State CEMP, ESF 8 – Public Health, Medical, and Mortuary Services, Appendix 4 – Communicable Disease and Pandemic Response Concept of Operations, Attachment E – Ebola Virus Disease (EVD) and Other Special Pathogens Disease (OSPD) Statewide Response Framework

PRESENTED BY: Washington State Department of Health

FOR QUESTIONS ABOUT THESE TRAININGS, CONTACT:

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Questions?

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