



Newborn Screening Contingency Plan (CONPLAN)

Update

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Newborn Screening Contingency Plan



Purpose:

- Review Newborn Screening Saves Lives Act
- Discuss progress to date on developing contingency plan

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Newborn Screening CONPLAN Background



- Newborn Screening Saves Lives Act of 2008
 - collect and transport specimens;
 - ship specimens to State newborn screening laboratories;
 - process specimens;
 - report screening results to physicians and families;
 - provide diagnostic confirmation of positive screening results;
 - ensure the availability of treatment and management resources;
 - educating families about newborn screening; and
 - carry out other activities determined appropriate by the Secretary.
- The Plan will address newborn screening for use by a State, region, or consortia of States in the event of a public health emergency.

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Background on National Contingency Plans



- Contingency Plans are usually created at the department level

Examples:

1. National Oil and Hazardous Substances Pollution Contingency Plan
2. National Marine Sanctuaries Contingency Plan

[Rarely are contingency plans created at the operational division (OP/DIV) level]

- Congress directed CDC to develop this plan in consultation with HRSA and State Health Departments



What is a Contingency Plan? (CONPLAN)



- An Operational plan devised for a specific situation when “things go wrong”
- A CONPLAN typically includes:
 - Specific strategies and actions to deal with specific variances to assumptions resulting in a particular problem, emergency or state of affairs
 - A monitoring process and “triggers” for initiating planned actions

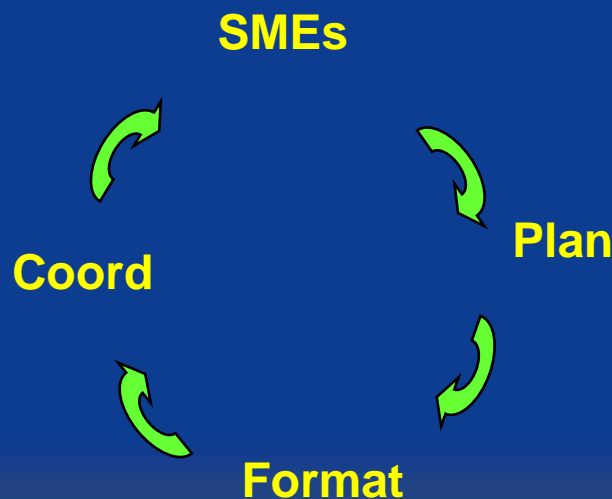


Newborn Screening CONPLAN Collaboration



CDC
HRSA
APHL
ACMG
AMCHP
AAP
ASTHO

NACCHO
CMS
State Public Health
State Labs





Disaster Planning



- **Strategic Plans**

- Broad and general
 - i.e. National Response Framework (NRF)
- Describe **WHAT** actions are to be performed

- **Operational Plans**

- Detailed and focused
- Describe:
 - **HOW** actions will be performed
 - **WHO** will perform them
 - **WHEN** will actions be performed
 - **WHERE** actions will be performed



Workshop



- CDC/HRSA hosted workshop in Atlanta Sept 24-26, 2008
- Participants included:
 1. federal partners
 2. state public health programs (including newborn screening programs, state labs, maternal child health programs)
 3. state emergency preparedness programs
 4. clinicians

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Objective-Based Planning



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Newborn Screening CONPLAN Plan Development Process



24 April

Develop plan with 3
Centers/CDC

CDC/HRSA
Hosted Workshop

Follow up with additional
key partners

Complete Draft of ConPlan

Discuss process with CDC and HHS
leadership

Brief Congressional
Staffers on status

Continue
to refine
Plan



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Current Status



- Nov 08 – May 09 plan circulated to subject matter experts for comments
- May 09 – August 09 Final draft developed
- Sep 09 – May 10 Plan in clearance at CDC and HRSA
- May 10 – To CDC/HRSA Directors and this committee



Next Steps



- Post plan to CDC website
- Partners share with members, AAP, ACMG, APHL, ASTHO others
- Add language to CDC Public Health Preparedness Cooperative Agreement
- Continued follow-up on areas that need more work



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Questions?

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