

**City of Carson City
Agenda Report**

Date Submitted: September 10, 2013

Agenda Date Requested: September 19, 2013

Time Requested: 15 minutes

To: Carson City Board of Supervisors

From: Health & Human Services (Nicki Aaker)

Subject Title: Presentation and discussion only on Carson City Health and Human Services' (CCHHS') Point of Dispensing Exercise. *(Angela Barosso)*

Staff Summary: This is an opportunity to inform the Board of Health about the purpose and objectives of a Point of Dispensing (POD) exercise. CCHHS uses the POD exercise to practice Carson City's emergency preparedness in the event of a public health emergency, which may require the necessity to administer medications or vaccines to a large amount of people. CCHHS uses this opportunity to vaccinate the Carson City community against the flu using free vaccine from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, which is scheduled for October 5, 2013. The Public Health Preparedness team will be introduced.

Type of Action Requested: (check one)
 Resolution Ordinance
 Formal Action/Motion Other (Specify) Information Only

Does This Action Require A Business Impact Statement: Yes No

Recommended Board Action: Presentation and discussion only

Explanation for Recommended Board Action: N/A

Applicable Statue, Code, Policy, Rule or Regulation: N/A

Fiscal Impact:

Explanation of Impact:

Funding Source:

Alternatives:

Supporting Material: PowerPoint presentation titled "Point of Dispensing (POD)"



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Reviewed By: N. Aaker Date: 9/10/13
(Department Head)
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(City Manager)
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(District Attorney)
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(Finance Director)

Board Action Taken:

Motion: _____ 1) _____ Aye/Nay
2) _____ _____


(Vote Recorded By)


Point of Dispensing (POD)

September 19, 2013


What is a POD?




- Adaptable and flexible to any intentional or naturally-occurring disease event
- Accommodations for special needs
- NOT a treatment site
- Sick individuals will be assessed and directed to their doctor or emergency room




Overview




1. Points of Dispensing (POD)
2. Incident Command System (ICS)
3. POD Objectives
4. POD Operations
5. POD – October 5, 2013



Why Exercise a POD?





- To practice Carson City's emergency preparedness in establishing a POD
- Use the free flu vaccination to draw in the public
- Demonstrate ability to dispense to the entire community within 48 hours, including special populations
 - 3 PODS, 2 8-hour shifts per day
 - Approximately 1,167 people/hour (28,000 people/day)
 - 60 staff per shift




What is a POD?

A point of dispensing site where medications or vaccines intended to prevent disease may be given quickly to a large number of people in the event of a public health emergency.





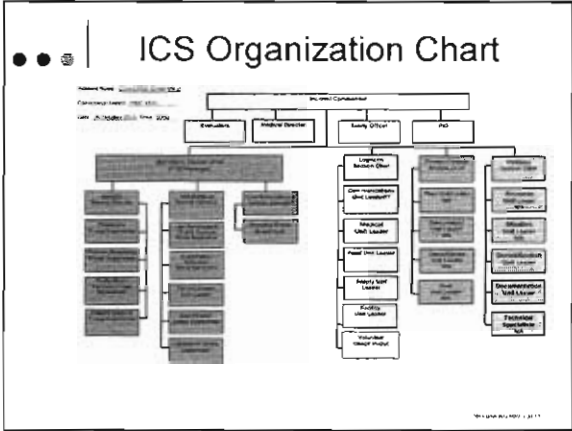
POD Incident Command System (ICS)

- ICS is the model for command, control, and coordination of a response and provides a means to coordinate the efforts of individual agencies as they work toward the common goal of stabilizing the incident and protecting life, property, and the environment.



–Dispatch Magazine Online






POD Scenario


Spring 2013

- Human cases of avian H3N2 influenza reported from China, Vietnam and Cambodia. Public health officials are investigating a hospital-associated outbreak of H5N1 influenza.




Summer 2013


- Suspected cases have been reported in Los Angeles, Chicago, New York, Boston and Washington, DC, with 10 deaths.



POD Objectives





- Partnership Development
 - Engage a wide variety of agencies / organizations that can support community preparedness for and response to a public health emergency
- Interoperable Communications
 - Ensure diverse systems and organizations can communicate effectively during POD operations
- Volunteer Recruitment / Management
 - Train and prepare community members to participate in POD operations




POD Scenario

Fall 2013



- The Strategic National Stockpile has received the newly created H3N2 flu vaccine to be distributed through a point of dispensing (POD).
- Notification is made for essential (POD) personnel to report to the Carson City Health Department on Friday, October 4, 2013 at 1730 PST.
- On Saturday October 5, 2013 at 0900 PST a POD is activated as a drive-thru to maintain social distancing.
 - Hundreds of cars are lined up to get into the facility
 - People are getting unruly

POD Objectives, *continued*





- Public and Participant Safety
 - Ensure a safe environment for the public and volunteers during the exercise
 - Includes safe vaccination procedures, as well as physical safety of participants
- Through-put: How many residents can we vaccinate per hour?



POD Operations

- Registration / Forms Completion
- Medical Screening
- Vaccination
- Exit Review / Survey




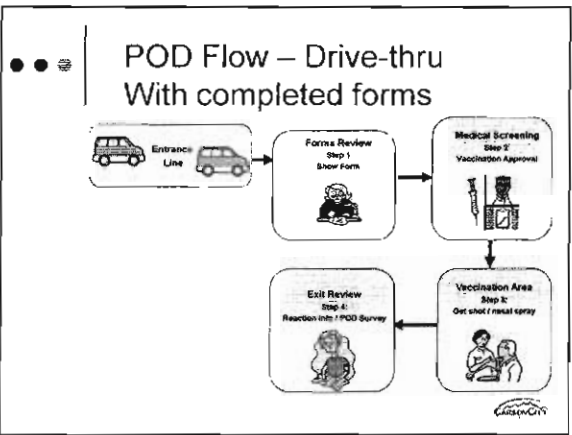
POD Participants

- Carson City Assessor
- Carson City CERT Team
- Carson City Executive Offices
- Carson City Fire / Emergency Management
- Carson City Public Works
- Carson City Sheriff's Reserves
- Division of Public & Behavioral Health
- Nevada National Guard
- Nevada Public Health Foundation
- Western Nevada Medical Reserve Corps




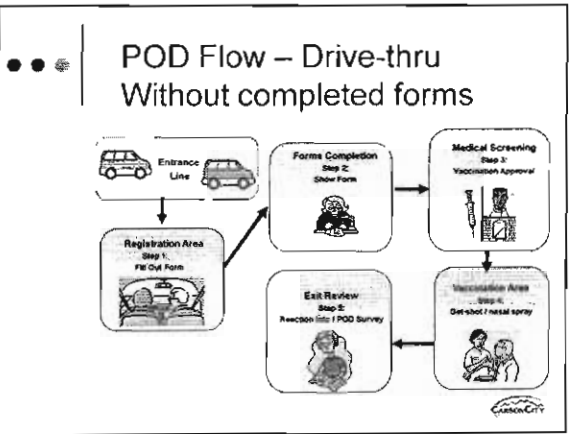
2013 POD

- October 5, 2013 | 9 am–1 pm
- Carson City Corporate Yard
- Drive-thru
- 8 Lanes thru Building D
16 vaccinators and 8-10 screeners
- Appx. 60 volunteers
- 2 Express Lanes
- Walk-up Station / Bicycle Lane

Demobilization / Evaluation

- Carson High ROTC = Demobilization Team
- Volunteers and staff participate in a Hot Wash at close (approx. 13:30)
- CCHHS needs evaluators for the After Action Report/ Improvement Plan

Questions

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