



**Central Florida  
Disaster Medical  
Coalition (CFDMC)**

# DISASTER CONNECTION

September 2014

## Save the Date - Coalition Meeting November 5

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The next meeting of the Central Florida Disaster Medical Coalition (CFDMC) is scheduled for:

**Wednesday, November 5  
10 am to 2 pm  
Bill Posey Conference Center  
Department of Health in Brevard County  
2555 Judge Fran Jamieson Way  
Viera, FL 32940**

The agenda will include discussions on the 2014-2015 funding and deliverables, including risk-based project funding for this year, and the Coalition's strategic direction for the next three years, as well as an update from the Statewide Coalition Task Force and an update on the State Medical Response System missions and capabilities.

We know your time is valuable, and we want to ensure the agenda addresses your questions and issues.

Please click on the link below to respond to a 60 second survey on other topics or issues you feel should be included on the agenda. The survey link will remain open until October 20th.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/CFDMCNovMtg>

If you have any questions about the meeting, or if you want to request approval for travel reimbursement for the meeting, please contact us at [info@centralfladisaster.org](mailto:info@centralfladisaster.org).

## It's Not a Coalition Without You - Please Join!

Our goal is for all healthcare and emergency preparedness and response partners to join the Coalition! To make sure you are represented, please click the link below to join:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/CoalitionCharterandCodeofEthics>

## Does the CFDMC Website Meet Your Needs?

The Central Florida Disaster Medical Coalition (CFDMC) website was created to provide information on the coalition and on local, regional, state and federal health and medical emergency preparedness. It is important that the website meet our members' needs. If you haven't had an opportunity, please visit the website at <http://centralfladisaster.org>

Then take just one minute to complete the website survey, available below or on the website, to provide your feedback on how we're doing and where we can improve:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/CFDMCWebsite>



**"We all have a piece  
of the puzzle!"**

## CFDMC Contract Expected Soon

CFDMC has provided the information required to receive funding for Fiscal Year 2014-2015, and we expect to receive and sign a contract with the Department of Health within the new few weeks. There has been one funding update to the information provided in the August newsletter. The statewide allocation for project funding was reduced by 28%. CFDMC will receive \$142,000 in risk-based project funding for this fiscal year. Additional discussion on the project funding will take place at the November 5 Coalition meeting.

## Coalition Recognized by RDSTF

The Coalition requested recognition by the Region 5 Domestic Security Task Force (RDSTF 5) as the Region's Health and Medical Committee. We have received verbal approval for this request by the Region 5 RDSTF Co-Chairs.

## New Board & Coalition Members

In September 2014, the CFDMC Board appointed two new Board members:

**Jim Judge, Volusia County Emergency Management Director.** Jim replaces Rich Collins on the Board.

**Jeffrey Sparks, Director of Biomedical Services Endeavor Group, DaVita Health Partners,** representing dialysis.

As of September 26, 136 individuals representing 92 partner organizations have joined the Coalition. In September, the University of Central Florida Emergency Management joined the Coalition.

## September Highlights

- ◆ **CFDMC Board Members participated in the September 9 & 10 Joint Counterterrorism Awareness Workshop.** The workshop was successful with more than 300 participants, gave participants an opportunity to meet and learn from different disciplines, and it identified some response gaps.
- ◆ **CFDMC co-hosted the September 17 Strategic National Stockpile Tabletop Exercise** in Viera, with more than 80 participants. Overall participant satisfaction with the event was 100%. Areas for improvement identified during the exercise included interagency cooperation and the need for mixed-disciplines within the groups at future regional exercises. An After Action Report/Improvement Plan will be completed in October.

## Upcoming Events

**October 4 & 5, 2014 Melbourne Air Show: State Medical Response Team 5 (SMRT 5) will deploy and provide medical surge capability at this event. For additional information, contact us at [info@centralfladisaster.org](mailto:info@centralfladisaster.org).**

**October 31, 2014: Mannequin Apocalypse, 9 am to 1 pm, 1420 Sligh Avenue, Orlando. This event is sponsored by Orlando Health to exercise an Alternate Care Site set-up.**

**Save the Date for the March 12, 2015 Region 5 Full-Scale Exercise. Additional details coming soon!**

**Does your organization have an upcoming event you'd like to share with other Coalition members? Send details to: [info@centralfladisaster.org](mailto:info@centralfladisaster.org).**