

Emergency Preparedness: Z CH 26

On-line content (1 H)

Review the information provided on the CDC website: <https://emergency.cdc.gov/health-professionals.asp> and place your answers to the following questions in the Z-CH # 26 drop box by 0800 on April 3, 2023.

COCA- clinical outreach and community activity:

Address what COCA does, who they serve, products and services.

- 1.) COCA provides information to clinicians related to emergency preparedness and response to public health threats. COCA serves physicians, nurses, physicians assistants, pharmacist, paramedics, veterinarians, epidemiologists, public health practitioners, and state/local health department officials. COCA has products and services such as conference calls/webinars, the COCA newsletters, conference and training opportunities, clinical support (via direct email), and continuing education opportunities.

CERC- Crisis emergency risk communication:

What is CERC?

- 1.) Crisis+ Emergency Risk Communication.

What type of training is available through CERC?

- 1.) CERC offers webinars, in-person CERC training, Online training, and additional sample scenarios.

What is the media's role in a crisis, disaster, or emergency? (CERC Corner)

- 1.) The media serves as an emergency broadcast system to get vital information to those who need it most.

Laboratory Information:

Open Biological Agent Emergencies and read over Ready.gov Bioterrorism under the info for the General Public section. Provide a summary of Bioterrorism including before, during, and after a Biological threat.

- 1.) Bioterrorism is the event in which a terrorist event takes place with the use of a toxin or biological agent that could kill or cause illness. Before a biological threat you should have an escape plan and make sure that everyone in your family is up to date on vaccinations. During a biological threat you should quickly get away from the area if you suspect something, avoid crowds of people, use masks if necessary, remove clothing and

bag them, wash yourself with antibacterial soap, watch news for updates, and seek help from authorities and medical professionals.

Health Alert network (HAN):

What is the purpose?

- 1.) The purpose of HAN is to provide clear information about urgent public health incidents with public health officers, federal, state, territorial, tribal, and local public health practitioners; clinicians; and public health laboratories.

Report on HAN No. 483-Important Updates on COVID-19 Therapeutics for Treatment and Prevention: Provide a summary of the information from this update including recommendations for clinicians and the public?

- 1.) The information provided has information about the use of antiviral medications to reduce severe cases that have been resulting in hospitalization and death. Information that is provided for clinicians is the current approved treatments for COVID-19, early testing, vaccination, mask protocols, and symptoms.