



The ASPR TRACIE Assistance Center provides personalized support and responses to requests for information and training and technical assistance (TTA). We answer a broad range of questions from all stakeholders – at the federal, state, regional, local, tribal, territory, non-profit, and for-profit levels. The type of requests that we receive are categorized as simple, standard, complex, or urgent depending on the scope of work, resources needed to complete the request, and timeframe by which the request can be answered. Simple requests are typically requests for IT support or help with website navigation or functions. Examples of our standard, complex, and urgent requests and the ASPR TRACIE response are included below. **The complete ASPR TRACIE responses (redacted for privacy) are located in the [Information Exchange](#).**



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96-hour Sustainability Planning Tool – Does ASPR TRACIE know of any Healthcare Coalitions (HCCs) across the county that have developed a 96-hour sustainability planning tool?	The ASPR TRACIE Team reached out to several ASPR TRACIE Subject Matter Expert (SME) Cadre members and gathered a few resources that would be helpful to the requestor. We also conducted our own research to collect other relevant document that may be beneficial.
All Hazards Planning – Can ASPR TRACIE provide assistance developing an All Hazards and All Inclusive Plan for a local health department?	The ASPR TRACIE Team provided several plans, tools, and templates, to include examples that can be adapted to suit a local health department’s needs. Other resources, such as standards and regulations that all hazards plans must comply with, and natural disaster planning materials were also included.
Alternate Care Sites (ACS) Plans – Do you know of example state or local ACS plans?	The ASPR TRACIE Team provided example ACS plans and related resources and guidance.
Alternate Care Sites (ACS) Federal Definition – Do you know the federal definition of ACS as it relates to long term care (LTC) facilities?	The ASPR TRACIE Team reviewed several resources, including those located in our Topic Collections. We also reached out to ASPR and Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) partners. At this time, we have concluded that there is no one federal definition, however, our partners provided several opinions and responses.
Biosafety Risk Assessment Tools – Does ASPR TRACIE have any biosafety risk assessment tools, such as templates or checklists?	The ASPR TRACIE Team provided the requestor with several biosafety risk assessments tools, as well as relevant guidance documents and other resources (e.g., presentations).
Casualty Estimate Tools – Does ASPR TRACIE know of any casualty estimate tools available from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) or other U.S. government sources?	The ASPR TRACIE Team conducted research on disaster preparedness casualty estimate tools, and reached out to an ASPR TRACIE SME Cadre member for additional tools. The team provided tools and other related resources that were gathered in the response document.
Category A Agent Treatment Protocols – Are there any current, user friendly Category A agent treatment protocols developed that can be referenced in one location?	The ASPR TRACIE Team conducted research on Category A agents, and provided the requestor with resources from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), which maintains a website with information for healthcare professionals on all Bioterrorism Agents.
Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) Emergency Preparedness (EP) Rule: Ambulatory Surgical Center (ASC) Templates – Do you have ASC templates to help our organization develop and update our plans?	The ASPR TRACIE Team provided resources specific to ASCs in two categories: Plans, Tools, and Templates and Guidance Resources. Related Topic Collections: Emergency Operations Plans/ Emergency Management Program and Ambulatory Care and Federally-Qualified Health Centers .
CMS EP Rule: Communication Plan Templates – Do you have communication plan templates to help our organization begin working on the new CMS EP Rule requirements?	The ASPR TRACIE Team researched several emergency planning resources related to communications, including the Communication Systems Topic Collection . The resources in the response are categorized as follows: Plans, Tools, and Templates; Guidance Resources; and Other Resources.
CMS EP Rule: Communication Plan Templates (relevant to Homecare/ Hospice) and HIPAA Resources – Do you have communication plans for hospice organizations, and what is the rule when it comes to HIPAA (Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act) protection during a disaster?	The ASPR TRACIE Team researched several emergency planning resources related to communications, as well as homecare/ hospice-specific planning resources. In addition, the ASPR TRACIE Team researched materials related to HIPAA. Additional resources related to these topics can be found in the following Topic Collections: Communication Systems , Emergency Operations Plans/ Emergency Management Program , and the Homecare and Hospice .

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<u>CMS EP Rule: Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHC) Plans</u> – Do you have sample emergency operations plans and policies for a FQHC?	The ASPR TRACIE Team provided resources specific to FQHCs in the following categories: Plans, Tools, and Templates; and Guidance Resources. Related Topic Collections: Emergency Operations Plans/ Emergency Management Program and Ambulatory Care and Federally-Qualified Health Centers .
<u>CMS EP Rule: Integrated Health System Plans</u> – Do you have plans, templates, models, and other resources for multiple, separately certified facilities integrated under a unified emergency preparedness program?	The ASPR TRACIE Team researched resources related to integrated health systems, including those in the Emergency Operations Plans/ Emergency Management Program Topic Collection . The ASPR TRACIE Team also reached out to several ASPR TRACIE Subject Matter Expert (SME) Cadre members for resources and feedback.
<u>CMS EP Rule: Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) Templates</u> – Do you have MOU templates for various CMS requirements (e.g., alternate treatment sites, child care, elder care, pet care, food supply delivery, alternate sheltering of employees).	The ASPR TRACIE Team researched and provided several resources for MOUs on various emergency preparedness topics.
<u>Community Health Center Emergency Plan Evaluation Tool</u> – Requesting indicators, examples, and best practices for community health center emergency plans and tabletop exercises.	The ASPR TRACIE Team provided resources for emergency plan evaluation tools, example tabletop exercises related to community health centers, resources related to access and functional needs, and resources related to the development and evaluation of exercises.
<u>Continuity of Operations Planning</u> - The requestor is seeking COOP for state health departments.	The ASPR TRACIE Team provided COOP resources and templates specific to state and local health departments. Also referred to the ASPR TRACIE Continuity of Operations (COOP)/ Failure Plan and the Recovery Topic Collections.
<u>Crisis Standards of Care</u> – ASPR TRACIE has received numerous requests related to crisis standards of care resources and best practices.	The ASPR TRACIE Team created a topic area in the Information Exchange focused on CSC resources and plans, including responses to various TTA requests. It also includes a CSC Quick Resource document created by the team that summarizes recommended resources. New TTA include CSC state strategies and CSC specific to emergency medical services (EMS). Related resource: the ASPR TRACIE Crisis Standards of Care Topic Collection .
<u>Cultural and Linguistic Competency</u> – Do you have any resources related to linguistic and cultural competencies?	The ASPR TRACIE Team worked with Alicia Livinski (NIH) to collect fact sheets and checklists, guidance documents, lessons learned, and other educational resources related to cultural and linguistic competencies. Related resource: the ASPR TRACIE Access and Functional Needs Topic Collection .
<u>Cybersecurity Plans and Guidance</u> – Requestor is seeking cybersecurity/ cyberattack prevention plans or templates for a hospital.	The ASPR TRACIE Team provided sample plan templates, guidance documents, and lessons learned that may be helpful in developing a cybersecurity prevention plan. Related resources: ASPR TRACIE Cybersecurity Topic Collection , Exchange Newsletter , and Cybersecurity and Healthcare Roundtable .
<u>Decontamination Exercises</u> – Requesting resources on how to plan a decontamination exercise for new emergency department staff.	Example decontamination exercises and resources on developing full-scale exercises were provided. Related resources: Hospital Victim Decontamination and Pre-Hospital Decontamination Topic Collections.
<u>Dialysis</u> – What are some examples of advancements in kidney dialysis delivery attributed to lessons learned from Hurricane Sandy?	The ASPR TRACIE Team worked with numerous ASPR staff, Alicia Livinski (NIH), Kathleen Egan (CMS), and Joan Thomas (KCER) to compile relevant resources that demonstrate or highlight the application of Hurricane Sandy lessons learned. Related resource: the ASPR TRACIE Dialysis Centers Topic Collection .
<u>Disaster EMS Protocols</u> – Does ASPR TRACIE have any resources or information on expanded scope protocols for medics serving in a de facto	The ASPR TRACIE Team conducted research on resources related to EMS and expanded scope protocols. In addition, we reached out to our SME Cadre members with expertise in the pre-hospital/ EMS field to

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definitive care role, doing things beyond the typical scope of practice due to the emergency situation?	collect any resources or information they have pertinent to this request, and gather their feedback on the issue. Related resource: the ASPR TRACIE ASPR TRACIE Emergency Operations Plans/ Emergency Management Program Topic Collection.
<u>Drill Resources</u> – Does ASPR TRACIE have resources on how to set up drills?	The ASPR TRACIE Team collected several plans, tools, templates, and other resources related to exercise development, implementation, and evaluation.
<u>Drug Shortages and Disasters</u> – Do you have evaluation examples of the impact of drug shortages during a disaster?	The ASPR TRACIE Team conducted research and reached out to ASPR TRACIE SME Cadre members with expertise in the field and developed the Factsheet Drug Shortages and Disasters . Related resource: the ASPR TRACIE Pharmacy Topic Collection .
<u>Ebola Staff Compensation for Healthcare Facilities</u> – Are there examples from healthcare facilities in the US regarding reimbursement/ staff compensation plans for staff caring for Ebola patients?	The ASPR TRACIE Team summarized general findings received from ASPR staff, SMEs, and relevant resources/ articles. In addition, the team reached out directly to seven facilities across the US to determine if they have any such plans or policies in place. Related resource: the ASPR TRACIE VHF/Ebola Topic Collection .
<u>El Niño Health Effects</u> – What are the potential health effects of a strong El Niño this year in the U.S.?	The ASPR TRACIE Team developed a summary paper examining and outlining the El Niño impacts on domestic weather patterns and potential related health effects. Related resource: the ASPR TRACIE Natural Disasters Topic Collection .
<u>Evacuating Patients with Mental Illness in Disasters</u> – Are there resources on how patients with mental illness behaved in a facility evacuation situation?	The ASPR TRACIE Team provided several resources to include various media resources and podcasts; scholarly articles; and plans, tools, and templates. We also provided the requestor with links to two relevant ASPR TRACIE Topic Collections: Healthcare Facility Evacuation/Sheltering and Mental/Behavioral Health . In addition, we reached out to our SME Cadre members with expertise in the mental/behavioral health field to collect any resources or information they had pertinent to this request.
<u>Exercise Samples- Pandemic Influenza and Foodborne Illness-</u> Does ASPR TRACIE have sample exercises to help develop a full scale exercise?	The ASPR TRACIE Team provided exercise samples that were specific to pandemic influenza and foodborne illness, as well as general exercise development resources that can be applied to any scenario.
<u>Flooding Resources</u> – Requestor seeking resources on flooding best practices for hospitals.	ASPR TRACIE Team provided a number of useful resources for jurisdictions experiencing flooding and those planning for flooding or flood-related health issues.
<u>Hazard Vulnerability Assessments (HVA)</u> – Is there a resource that easily explains and compares the difference between Jurisdictional Risk Assessment, HVA, and Threat and Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment (THIRA) with examples and templates?	The ASPR TRACIE Team could not locate an existing resource that provided an adequate response to the request for a crosswalk or comparative document for the various risk assessment tools. Therefore, the team created an “ Evaluation of HVA Tools ” comparison chart that describes the similarities and differences between five of the primary tools used by local jurisdictions and the THIRA. Related resource: the ASPR TRACIE Hazard Vulnerability/ Risk Assessment Topic Collection .
<u>Healthcare Coalitions</u> – ASPR TRACIE received multiple questions regarding the role of healthcare coalitions in all phases of a disaster cycle, strategic planning, etc.	To comprehensively respond to the various requests regarding healthcare coalition needs, the ASPR TRACIE Team is working with a group of expert practitioners to develop a series of Topic Collections related to Healthcare Coalition Development and Organization, and a series of webinars to discuss different aspects of healthcare coalition development and roles during planning and response and recovery efforts. Now available: the ASPR TRACIE Coalition Models and Functions Topic Collection , recording of the “Strategic Development for Building Operational Healthcare Coalitions” webinar held on November 17, 2015, and recording of the “Healthcare Involvement in Mass Gatherings” webinar held on July 14, 2016.

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<u>Healthcare Coalition Communication Plans</u> – Do you have sample communications plans and other related resources (e.g., flow charts, written policies) for healthcare coalitions, especially those with multiple counties?	The ASPR TRACIE Team reviewed existing and in-progress Topic Collections and collected the pertinent resources. Of particular relevance are the Coalition Models and Functions Topic Collection , and the Communication Systems Topic Collection .
<u>Healthcare Coalition Information Sharing</u> – Do you know of examples of plans from other healthcare systems use to tackle the issue of working across different entities to share information?	The ASPR TRACIE Team provided comments/ recommendations from our SME Cadre members and resources for information sharing. Related ASPR TRACIE Topic Collections: Communication Systems and Coalition Models and Functions . The Information Sharing Topic Collection is scheduled to be comprehensively developed in Winter 2016/2017.
<u>Healthcare Coalition Training and Exercise Calendar Templates</u> – Does ASPR TRACIE have any regional/ healthcare coalition training and exercise calendar tools/ templates?	The ASPR TRACIE Team conducted research on regional/ healthcare coalition training and exercise calendar tools/ templates. We also reached out to ASPR TRACIE SME Cadre members for additional resources and feedback. Contact ASPR TRACIE for access to resources that are not publically available.
<u>Healthcare Coalition Participation Benefits</u> – Are there examples of marketing materials targeted to hospital administrators on the benefits of hospital staff participating in local healthcare coalitions?	The ASPR TRACIE Team reached out to its SME Cadre members and conducted research to gather relevant materials. The team provided the requestor with a summary of example benefits to hospitals and their staff for participating in a coalition, anecdotal information received from SMEs, and numerous marketing materials/ resources.
<u>Healthcare Coalition Strategic Plans</u> – Requesting examples of “acceptable” strategic plans as referred to in the Hospital Preparedness Program and Healthcare Coalition Developmental Assessment guidance.	In addition to the ASPR TRACIE Coalition Models and Functions and Hospital Surge Capacity and Immediate Bed Availability Topic Collections, the team provided resources from ASPR TRACIE SME Cadre members.
<u>Healthcare Coalition Supply Cache</u> - Requesting resources on coalitions that store caches of supplies to be accessed during a disaster.	ASPR TRACIE SME Cadre members provided comments on how their coalitions handle supply caches. In addition, the ASPR TRACIE Team provided a few relevant coalition plans and guidance, including the types of materials to be stockpiled.
<u>Heat Wave Plans</u> – Is ASPR TRACIE aware of any municipal heat wave mitigation plans and other similar plans for extreme cold and other events related to the effects of climate change?	The ASPR TRACIE Team collected various municipal heat wave mitigation plans, toolkits, checklists, an related resources in addition to sharing the ASPR TRACIE Natural Disasters Topic Collection .
<u>Hospital Business Continuity Programs</u> - Requesting examples of how hospitals have set up business continuity programs.	The ASPR TRACIE Team provided many continuity of operations programs examples, including plans, tools, templates, and guidance documents. Related resource: the ASPR TRACIE Continuity of Operations (COOP)/ Failure Plan Topic Collection .
<u>Hospital Disaster Supplies</u> – Requesting equipment/ supply lists for acute care hospitals.	The ASPR TRACIE Team provided comments/recommendations from the SME Cadre and resources on hospital and healthcare supplies/ stockpiles.
<u>Hospital Emergency Department (ED) Overcrowding Scales</u> –Are there other alternative scoring systems that are widely used to reduce the facility-to-facility variance in structure and practice when defining overcrowding status in an ED in addition to the National Emergency Department Overcrowding Scale?	Research indicated that there are six primary tools/ scales/ methods used by EDs to quantitatively determine crowding. The ASPR TRACIE Team provided articles comparing these methods as well as a comparison and calculation chart. In addition, the team worked with an ASPR TRACIE SME Cadre member to gather and share their input on these models.
<u>Hospital Emergency Management Presentations</u> – Are there existing PowerPoint presentations or other resources related to the principles of hospital/ healthcare emergency management.	The ASPR TRACIE Team provided PowerPoint presentations and additional resources related to the key principles of hospital/healthcare emergency management. The resources can help provide essential content for the presentation as fundamental concepts in healthcare emergency management. Related resource: the ASPR TRACIE Emergency Operations Plans/ Emergency Management Program Topic Collection.

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<u>Hospital Laboratory Continuity of Operations Plans</u> – Requesting laboratory COOP plans that can be used for training critical access hospitals.	The ASPR TRACIE Team provided a few resources related to hospital and other laboratory COOP templates and resources, as well as general COOP resources that may be beneficial and adapted for use. Related resource: the <u>ASPR TRACIE Continuity of Operations/ Failure Plan Topic Collection</u> .
<u>Hospital Readiness/ Capability Assessment</u> – Is ASPR TRACIE aware of any hospital emergency preparedness and capability assessment tools and/or templates that are available either at the national or state levels?	The ASPR TRACIE Team provided resources, in consultation with Dr. John Hick (ASPR OEM and Hennepin County Medical Center) and Eileen Blake (Yale New Haven Health Center for Emergency Preparedness and Disaster Response), specific to hospital emergency preparedness and capability assessment tools/ templates.
<u>Hospital Stockpile</u> - Are there resources, guidance, or best practices for hospitals regarding stockpiling (with particular interest in California resources)?	The ASPR TRACIE Team included California-specific resources/ guidance, and general resources that are applicable. Additionally, the team reached out to the SME Cadre to provide any additional comments or input.
<u>Infectious Disease Planning for Primary Care</u> - Seeking example planning guidance or needs assessment tools regarding bio threats/ infectious disease/ pandemic.	The ASPR TRACIE Team provided various guidance documents, resources, and tools specific to infectious disease planning in primary care settings and Federally Qualified Health Centers. The resources are divided into five categories: needs assessments/ risk assessments; pandemic influenza; Ebola, Zika, and general.
<u>Mass Notification Systems</u> - Are there examples of hospital policies, procedures, or processes regarding maintenance and use of mass notification systems?.	The ASPR TRACIE SME Cadre provided their opinions and anecdotal information regarding mass notification systems. Additionally, the team provided a list of policies, plans, and procedures. Related resource: the <u>ASPR TRACIE Communication Systems Topic Collection</u> .
<u>Medical Countermeasures (MCM)/ Strategic National Stockpile (SNS) After Action Reports (AARs)</u> – Are there samples of AARs for a MCM/ SNS exercise?	The ASPR TRACIE Team conducted a search and found several example AAR/ Improvement Plans (IPs) that use the Homeland Security Exercise and Evaluation Program (HSEEP) template.
<u>Medical Emergency Planning Guides</u> – Do you have emergency medical planning guides for individuals, families, and households?	The ASPR TRACIE Team reviewed several existing and in-progress Topic Collections and pulled pertinent resources. Of particular relevance are these Topic Collections: <u>Pharmacy</u> , <u>Dialysis Centers</u> , <u>Access and Functional Needs</u> , and <u>Homecare and Hospice</u> .
<u>Medical Station Protocols</u> – Are there examples of medical protocols or standard operating procedures for a family assistance center (FAC) medical station?	In addition to providing resources relevant to medical stations, the ASPR TRACIE Team provided various plans, tools, and templates related to FACs and shelters. See this response to a similar ASPR TRACIE TTA Request for <u>Regional Medical Station Concept of Operations</u> .
<u>Mold Issues Public Messaging</u> – What type of public messaging campaigns have been conducted related to mold issues for residents and businesses that may be facing these issues as a result from a flood (not hurricane related)?	The ASPR TRACIE Team provided numerous resources including public messages, fact sheets, checklists, and other educational resources related to mold. This included pre-scripted (in some cases already recorded) public service announcements (PSAs), which are tangible and ready to implement examples of risk communication materials. Related resource: the <u>ASPR TRACIE Natural Disasters Topic Collection</u> .
<u>Patient Tracking/ Joint Patient Assessment & Tracking System (JPATS)</u> – Can ASPR TRACIE provide a point of contact for demonstrating the use of patient tracking (specifically JPATS) and how to integrate with local systems?	In addition to providing a primary point of contact for the requestor, ASPR TRACIE worked with ASPR on developing a short FAQ document, <u>Joint Patient Assessment and Tracking System Overview and Fact Sheet</u> . This document can help jurisdictions answer the frequently-asked question, “Should I look into JPATS further and how would I do that?”
<u>Patient Transfer Forms</u> - Requestor is seeking templates for transfer agreements between providers.	The ASPR TRACIE Team provided templates and resources specific to transfer of patients between healthcare providers.
<u>Pediatric Disaster Preparedness Resources</u> – Are there pediatric disaster preparedness resources within ASPR TRACIE that may aid	ASPR TRACIE has numerous resources related to pediatrics during disasters/ emergencies that are included in existing ASPR TRACIE Topic Collections. Related resource: the <u>ASPR TRACIE Pediatric Topic Collection</u> .

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research efforts by the National Advisory Committee on Children and Disasters?	
<u>Pediatric Advisory Committees</u> – Does ASPR TRACIE know of any best practices pertaining to pediatric advisory committee structures (and contacts to these committees)?	The ASPR TRACIE Team provided resources and contact information for pediatric-related advisory committees. In addition, we included resources on advisory committees not focused on pediatrics but that may still be useful for the requestor.
<u>Pediatric Needs Assessment</u> – Are there any known community or agency pediatric needs assessments?	Recommendations from the ASPR TRACIE SME Cadre and resources found from the ASPR TRACIE Team are included. Related resource: the ASPR TRACIE Pediatric Topic Collection .
<u>Pediatric Skilled Nursing Facilities</u> – Are there resources related to pediatric skilled nursing facilities (nursing homes) and emergency/disaster preparedness?	The ASPR TRACIE Team searched various databases for tools, guidance documents, and other resources; as well as reached out to the ASPR TRACIE SME Cadre with expertise in pediatrics and long-term care. This resulted with a limited number of resources specific to pediatric facilities; however, many recommendations for long-term care facilities related to adults may be applicable to pediatric patients. Related resource: the ASPR TRACIE Long-term Care Facilities Topic Collection .
<u>Personal Preparedness for Specialty Healthcare Professionals</u> – Do you have personal preparedness resources for staff of specialty healthcare organizations (e.g., home health, long term care, etc.)?	The ASPR TRACIE Team provided specific resources for home health and long-term care professionals, as well as general guidance and resources. Our response does not include guidance for developing emergency preparedness plans or regulations/ laws regarding healthcare workers. It focused on personal preparedness and individual resilience.
<u>Planning Agenda Templates and Incident Reports/ After Action Reports</u> – Are there resources on the hospital and healthcare ICS, as well as sample/ template planning agendas and end of incident reports/ AARs?	The ASPR TRACIE Team collected numerous plans, tools, templates, and guidance documents related to hospital/ healthcare ICS, and exercise and evaluation programs. The first tool provided is a HSEEP-compliant template to be used by all Hospital Preparedness Program grantees for submission of their required exercise AAR and IP reports.
<u>Pre-Hospital Disaster Trauma Formulary</u> – Requesting a formulary or list of drugs commonly used by pre-hospital emergency medical services providers for trauma patients and those used during large scale events.	In collaboration with SMEs in emergency department and trauma clinical care and EMS, the ASPR TRACIE Team provided a list of most commonly used medications on state EMS formularies, the most commonly used drug categories, and pharmacy stockpiling for mass trauma events.
<u>Provider Licensure Portability and Worker Compensation</u> – Are there resources related to provider licensure portability and worker compensation across jurisdictional boundaries for state medical team members that are employed by hospitals?	The ASPR TRACIE Team provided information on general considerations as described in a 2013 publication, “Portability of Emergency Medical Service Licenses across State Borders,” along with additional related resources.
<u>Public Health Department Operations Center</u> – Are there any example templates, structures, plans, standard operating procedures for local public health department operations centers?	The ASPR TRACIE Team provided a number of resources (both available online and through ASPR TRACIE’s Assistance Center) related to Public Health Command Center (PHCC), Public Health Department Operations Center (DOC or HDOC), and Public Health Emergency Operations Center (EOC or HEOC).
<u>Radiological and Nuclear Resources</u> – Are there radiological and nuclear resources related to low level releases/ exposure?	The ASPR TRACIE Team conducted research and reached out to several ASPR TRACIE SME Cadre members with expertise in the field to gather the resources provided to the requestor. Related resource: the ASPR TRACIE Radiological and Nuclear Topic Collection .
<u>Regional Medical Surge Plans</u> – Can ASPR TRACIE provide some example regional medical surge plans or templates?	The ASPR TRACIE Team provided numerous examples of medical surge plans and templates. The team also provided additional options for the requestor if the resources did not meet their needs (e.g., facilitate discussion with a SME, post request through the Information Exchange, etc.). Related resource: the ASPR TRACIE Hospital Surge Capacity and Immediate Bed Availability Topic Collection .

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<p>Shower and Eye Wash Station Requirements – Do you have any guidance on emergency shower and eye wash station requirements? Specifically, do you know how it is determined where the installments are mandatory, and if it is based on the substances an organization has on the chemical inventory list?</p>	<p>The ASPR TRACIE Team sent a request for recommended resources or anecdotal comments from a number of our Subject Matter Expert Cadre members.</p>
<p>Surge Definition – What is the definition of surge as it relates to immediate bed availability (IBA) and how is surge calculated?</p>	<p>The ASPR TRACIE Team reviewed the existing Hospital Surge Capacity and Immediate Bed Availability Topic Collection and reached out to several ASPR TRACIE SME Cadre members with expertise in the field to gather the information for the requestor.</p>
<p>US Refugee Management – Are there resources related to refugee lessons learned, policies, guidance, case studies, etc., with an emphasis on cultural competency?</p>	<p>The ASPR TRACIE Team provided relevant resources related to policies and regulations, guidance, lessons learned from real events, resources related to unaccompanied minors, and cultural competency.</p>
<p>Web-based plan sharing platform – Is ASPR TRACIE aware of a secure, web-based platform that can accommodate sharing of plans within our healthcare coalition’s 23 committees?</p>	<p>After gathering user requirements, the ASPR TRACIE Team researched possible solutions for the requestor. The team presented our findings along with possible cost to the coalition to include SharePoint sites, commercial off-the-shelf options, and ASPR TRACIE Information Exchange.</p>
<p>Workplace Violence – Does ASPR TRACIE know of best practices and other resources for dealing with violent patients in a primary care setting?</p>	<p>The ASPR TRACIE Team provided the requestor with a categorized list of reports, articles, studies, trainings, webinars, guidance documents, and other resources related to workplace violence. The team also connected the requestor with an expert working in this specific subject area, and will develop a fact sheet on best practices for dealing with violent patients. Related resource: the ASPR TRACIE Workplace Violence Topic Collection.</p>
<p>Zika Virus and Migrant Farm Workers – Does ASPR TRACIE have information related to special considerations for migrant farm workers and the Zika Virus?</p>	<p>The ASPR TRACIE Team conducted a search for information specific to migrant workers and Zika and provided several links to resources. In addition, the ASPR TRACIE Team provided contact information for CDC’s Zika Joint Information Center, which can serve as the point of contact for additional questions and materials.</p>
<p>Zika Virus and Older Adults- Does ASPR TRACIE have resources related to the prevention, detection, and treatment of Zika Virus specific to older adults?</p>	<p>Regardless of the specific population, the guidance on prevention for this population is the same as for the general population. With the exception of pregnant women, the detection and treatment guidance for specific populations is also the same as for the general population. While cases of Guillain-Barré syndrome have been identified among adults, the ASPR TRACIE Team did not find any scientific studies indicating that older adults are at any greater risk than the adult population in general. Several relevant resources are included in this response.</p>
<p>Zika Virus Resources and Overview – The ASPR TRACIE Team was asked to develop a document on Zika to provide resources and an overview of public health and healthcare system considerations and implications that are applicable to professionals in those systems, emergency management stakeholders, and other audiences.</p>	<p>The ASPR TRACIE Team developed Zika: Resources at Your Fingertips. Appendix A contains HHS ASPR resources and relevant contact links. Appendix B includes citations with annotations for additional relevant resources and Zika guidance.</p>
<p>Zika Virus Tabletop Exercises- Requestor is seeking example Zika Tabletop Exercises.</p>	<p>The ASPR TRACIE Team provided example exercises and exercise materials specific to a Zika virus scenario. ASPR TRACIE will be developing Exercise and Zika Topic Collections to be released in September 2016.</p>