

# Vulnerable Populations Winter Weather TTX

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After-Action Report/Improvement Plan

05/04/2022

The After-Action Report/Improvement Plan (AAR/IP) aligns exercise objectives with preparedness doctrine to include the National Preparedness Goal and related frameworks and guidance. Exercise information required for preparedness reporting and trend analysis is included; users are encouraged to add additional sections as needed to support their own organizational needs.

## EXERCISE OVERVIEW

<b>Exercise Name</b>	<b>Shelter In Place Winter Weather Tabletop Exercise</b>
<b>Exercise Dates</b>	05/04/2022
<b>Scope</b>	This exercise is a Tabletop Exercise planned for 2 hours at The North Dakota Long Term Care Conference in Bismarck, ND
<b>Mission Area(s)</b>	Emergency Preparedness and Response
<b>Core Capabilities</b>	Community Preparedness, Emergency Operation Coordination, Community Recovery
<b>Objectives</b>	<p>Objective 1. Discuss a severe weather scenario to determine how a facility would prepare and respond to such an event. Paying special attention to the emergency response plan, capabilities, and staff responsibilities over a multi operational period.</p> <p>Objective 2. Identify the strengths and weaknesses in plans for activation of facility-based emergency operations in response to a severe weather event. Points of focus include administrative, clinical as well as communication with local and state agencies.</p> <p>Objective 3. Identify and understand the secondary effects of a large-scale winter weather event Paying close attention to planning and logistics over multiple operational periods.</p>
<b>Threat or Hazard</b>	Natural event: Severe Winter Weather Event
<b>Scenario</b>	Winter storm affecting large portion of North Dakota
<b>Sponsor</b>	<b>North Dakota Long Term Care Association and North Dakota Department of Health</b>
<b>Participating Organizations</b>	This tabletop exercise is designed for all members and partners to include participants from hospitals, local emergency management, public health, long-term care, home health, dialysis, hospice, behavioral health, public safety, and any other regional stakeholders.
<b>Point of Contact</b>	North Dakota Department of Health, Health Resources and Response Division 701-328-2270

## ANALYSIS OF CORE CAPABILITIES

Aligning exercise objectives and core capabilities provides a consistent taxonomy for evaluation that transcends individual exercises to support preparedness reporting and trend analysis. Table 1 includes the exercise objectives, aligned core capabilities, and performance ratings for each core capability as observed during the exercise and determined by the evaluation team.

Objective	Core Capability	Performed without Challenges (P)	Performed with Some Challenges (S)	Performed with Major Challenges (M)	Unable to be Performed (U)
Discuss a severe weather scenario to determine how a facility would prepare and respond to such an event. Paying special attention to the emergency response plan, capabilities, and staff responsibilities over a multi operational period	Community Preparedness	P			
Identify the strengths and weaknesses in your plans for activation of facility-based emergency operations in response to a severe weather event. Points of focus include administrative, clinical as well as communication with local and state agencies.	Emergency Operation Coordination	P			
Identify and understand the secondary effects of a large-scale winter weather event paying close attention to planning and logistics over multiple operational periods.	Community Recovery	P			

Objective	Core Capability	Performed without Challenges (P)	Performed with Some Challenges (S)	Performed with Major Challenges (M)	Unable to be Performed (U)
<p><b>Ratings Definitions:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Performed without Challenges (P): The targets and critical tasks associated with the core capability were completed in a manner that achieved the objective(s) and did not negatively impact the performance of other activities. Performance of this activity did not contribute to additional health and/or safety risks for the public or for emergency workers, and it was conducted in accordance with applicable plans, policies, procedures, regulations, and laws.</li> <li>• Performed with Some Challenges (S): The targets and critical tasks associated with the core capability were completed in a manner that achieved the objective(s) and did not negatively impact the performance of other activities. Performance of this activity did not contribute to additional health and/or safety risks for the public or for emergency workers, and it was conducted in accordance with applicable plans, policies, procedures, regulations, and laws. However, opportunities to enhance effectiveness and/or efficiency were identified.</li> <li>• Performed with Major Challenges (M): The targets and critical tasks associated with the core capability were completed in a manner that achieved the objective(s), but some or all of the following were observed: demonstrated performance had a negative impact on the performance of other activities; contributed to additional health and/or safety risks for the public or for emergency workers; and/or was not conducted in accordance with applicable plans, policies, procedures, regulations, and laws.</li> <li>• Unable to be Performed (U): The targets and critical tasks associated with the core capability were not performed in a manner that achieved the objective(s).</li> </ul>					

**Table 1. Summary of Core Capability Performance**

The following sections provide an overview of the performance related to each exercise objective and associated core capability, highlighting strengths and areas for improvement.

**Discuss a severe weather scenario to determine how a facility would prepare and respond to such an event. Paying special attention to the emergency response plan, capabilities, and staff responsibilities over a multiple operational period.**

The strengths and areas for improvement for each core capability aligned to this objective are described in this section.

### **Strengths**

The Community Preparedness capability level can be attributed to the following strengths:

**Strength 1:** Knowledge of Emergency Response Plans [EOP]

**Strength 2:** Early implementation of incident command

**Strength 3:** Communication with staff and outside entities

### **Areas for Improvement**

The following areas require improvement to achieve the full capability level:

**Area for Improvement 1:** Continued review and updating of facility EOP for shelter in place

**Identify the strengths and weaknesses in your plans for activation of facility-based emergency operations in response to a severe weather event. Points of focus include administrative, clinical as well as communication with local and state agencies.**

### **Strengths**

The Emergency Operation Coordination capability level can be attributed to the following strengths:

**Strength 1:** Knowledge and recognition of early implementation of command structure

**Strength 2:** Early implementation of EOP

**Strength 3:** Recent updates to EOP

### **Areas for Improvement**

The following areas require improvement to achieve the full capability level:

**Area for Improvement 1:** Continued review and updating of facility EOP for shelter in place as well as continued use of the plan thru exercises.

**Identify and understand the secondary effects of a large-scale winter weather event paying close attention to planning and logistics over multiple operational periods.**

The strengths and areas for improvement for each core capability aligned to this objective are described in this section.

**Strengths**

The Community Recovery capability level can be attributed to the following strengths:

**Strength 1:** Recent updates to EOP

**Strength 2:** Recent utilization of EOPs

**Areas for Improvement**

The following areas require improvement to achieve the full capability level:

**Area for Improvement 1** Continued review and updating of facility EOP for shelter in place as well as continued use of the plan thru exercise

## APPENDIX A: EXERCISE PARTICIPANTS

Participating Organizations & Number of Participants (EMPG in parenthesis)		
<b>Federal</b>		
<b>State</b>		
NDDOH		
NDLTCA		
<b>Table Top and HC Standard Evacuation Drill</b>		
SCHLEPP, MICHAEL	Ashley Medical Center	
ULMER, COREY	Ashley Medical Center	
Barker, Jessica	Baptist Health & Rehab	
Friez, Cary	Baptist Health & Rehab	
Repnaw, Daren	Baptist Health & Rehab	
Holte, Karlene	Benedictine Living Community   Garrison	
Thompson, Tom	Benedictine Living Community   Garrison	
Lehmann, Dean	Benedictine Living Community of Wahpeton/Siena Court	
Frantsvog, Jon	Benedictine Living Community-Dickinson	
Brenna, Lee	Bethel Lutheran Nursing & Rehabilitation Center	
Moen, Belinda	Bethel Lutheran Nursing & Rehabilitation Center	
Anderson, Jenelle	CHI St Alexius Health - Garrison	
Baluski, Denine	CHI St Alexius Health - Garrison	
Hudgen, Donna	CHI St Alexius Health - Garrison	
Mikkelson-Matthesis, Mary	CHI St Alexius Health - Garrison	
Reardon, MaLissa	CHI St Alexius Health - Garrison	
Rime, Michelle	CHI St Alexius Health - Garrison	

Zietz, Tina	CHI St Alexius Health - Garrison
Huson, Mike	Dakota Alpha
Meine, Matt	Edgewood Minot
Stahl, Olivia	Elim Care Assisted Living
Strong, Jeff	Eventide Devils Lake
Trottier, Nathan	Eventide Devils Lake
Sandry, Laura	Eventide Jamestown
Harris, Brittany	Golden Acres Manor
Kirkeby, Lindsey	Golden Acres Manor
Krug, Eric	Good Samaritan Society - Augusta Place
Peterson, Wade	Good Samaritan Society - Augusta Place
Swanson, Kim	Good Samaritan Society - Augusta Place
Carlson, Lara	Good Samaritan Society – Lakota
Halvorson, Anna	Good Samaritan Society – Lakota
Landeis, Savanna	Good Samaritan Society – Lakota
Richardson, Steve	Good Samaritan Society – Lakota
Vick, Bryan	Good Samaritan Society – Mott
Haadem, Kristina	Good Samaritan Society - St. Vincent's
Pearson, Heather	Good Samaritan Society - St. Vincent's
Neis, Jonella	Good Samaritan Society - Sunset Drive
Schulz, Marcie	Good Samaritan Society - Sunset Drive
VanderVorste, Kelly	Good Samaritan Society - Sunset Drive
Hiam, Erin	Griggs County Care Center
LeMaire, Heidi	Griggs County Care Center



Huus, Curtis	Hatton Prairie Village
Tredwell, Cindy	Hatton Prairie Village
Simonson, Mary	HI Soaring Eagle Ranch
Paul, Pam	Hill Top Home of Comfort, Inc.
Chandler, Jeff	Luther Memorial Home
Ulrich, Brett	Luther Memorial Home
Walden, Jeanne	Luther Memorial Home
Dauenhauer, Bonnie	Lutheran Home of the Good Shepherd
Guthmiller, Arlen	Lutheran Home of the Good Shepherd
Hopfauf, Angie	Lutheran Home of the Good Shepherd
Partlow, Chelsea	Lutheran Home of the Good Shepherd
Weber, Sis	Lutheran Home of the Good Shepherd
Balderas, Enrique	Lutheran Sunset Home
Setness, Bonnie	Lutheran Sunset Home
Pengilly, Dale	Maple Manor Care Center
COTANT, ANDREW	Marian Manor HealthCare Center
Kottre, Lori	Marian Manor HealthCare Center
Wanner, Debra	Marian Manor HealthCare Center
Zazeski, Carrie	Marian Manor HealthCare Center
CLARK, JIM	Mountrail Bethel Home
SCHWEITZER, JULIE	Mountrail Bethel Home
ZAUN, ALYSSA	Mountrail Bethel Home
Regner, Richard	Napoleon Care Center
Forde, Steve	Nelson County Health System Care Center

Harding, Samantha	Nelson County Health System Care Center
Hippen, Kylie	Nelson County Health System Care Center
Lundeby, Erin	Nelson County Health System Care Center
Bass, Jada	North Dakota Veterans Home
Mcleod, Shawn	North Dakota Veterans Home
Christiansen, Eric	Northwood Deaconess Health Center
Kuntz, Crystalynn	Other-Bismarck Burliegh Public Health
Berg, Jason	Pembilier Nursing Center
Fraser, Debra	Pembilier Nursing Center
Beyer, Jim	Richardton Health Center
Palmer, Carole	Richardton Health Center
BEECHER, BRAD	Senior Suites at Sakakawea Medical Center
BOLTOn, SARAH	Senior Suites at Sakakawea Medical Center
ERHARDT, VICKI	Senior Suites at Sakakawea Medical Center
KNECHT, JACOB	Senior Suites at Sakakawea Medical Center
PARKER, TERI	Senior Suites at Sakakawea Medical Center
Johnsrud, Brady	Sheyenne Crossings Care Center & TCU
McMahen, Tiffany	Sheyenne Crossings Care Center & TCU
Schmidt, Jeannie	SMP Health - Ave Maria
Lemer, Beth	SMP Health - St. Aloisius
Anderson, Roger	SMP Health - St. Catherine South
Edie, Tori	SMP Health - St. Catherine South
Morlock, Amanda	SMP Health - St. Raphael
Fryer, Brittany	St. Gerard's Community of Care

Koffler, Jamie	St. Luke's Home	
Kreidt, Amy	St. Luke's Home	
Olheiser, Jake	St. Luke's Home	
Doerfler, Elaine	The Meadows on University	
Garland, Stacie	The Meadows on University	
Heigaard, Johanna	The Meadows on University	
Eraas, Jamie	Tioga Medical Center Long Term Care	
Hove, Jenna	Tioga Medical Center Long Term Care	
Mickelsen, Ryan	Tioga Medical Center Long Term Care	
Nelson, Ann	Tioga Medical Center Long Term Care	
Gailfus, Sarah	Towner County Living Center	
Yoder, Beth	Towner County Living Center	
Held, Linda	Trinity Homes	
Mitchell, Jennifer	Trinity Homes	
Pope, David	Trinity Homes	
Wold, Brian	Trinity Homes	
Anderson, Megan	Valley Senior Living on Columbia	
Dockendorf, Sara	Valley Senior Living on Columbia	
Jallo, Samantha	Valley Senior Living on Columbia	
Ekren, Cheryl	Wheatland Terrace	
Gall, Cindy	Wishek Living Center	
Hall, Michael	Wishek Living Center	
Klein, Keith	Wishek Living Center	
Sand, Brian	Woodside Village	

Table top only	
Johnson, Crystal	Aneta Parkview Health Center
Peterson, Kelsey	Benedictine Living Community of LaMoure, St. Rose
Locker, Brandon	Dickinson CountryHouse LLC
Burnley, Heather	Edgewood Village
Cartmill, Andrew	Good Samaritan Society - Miller Pointe
Bergh, Patricia	Good Samaritan Society – Oakes
Garland, Ronee	Good Samaritan Society – Oakes
Skarda, Sarah	McKenzie County Healthcare Systems LTC
Brendel, JoLynn	Missouri Slope
Butler, Vicki	Missouri Slope
Schlomer, Karen	Missouri Slope
Heinz, Carrie	Rolette Community Care Center
Medrud, Mike	Rolette Community Care Center
Walz, Bailyn	SMP Health - Maryhill
Kaseman, Terri	Touchmark on West Century

Total number of participants: 99