

Healthcare Partnerships in Cochise County



Hospital and Public Health Interface-
Best Practices

Infectious Disease Training
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Objectives:

- Healthcare in Cochise County
- Bimonthly Meetings
- Partnership Collaboration
- Preparedness Activities
- Information Sharing
- Surveillance and Communicable Disease Reporting



Healthcare in Cochise County:

- Copper Queen Community Hospital-14 beds
- Northern Cochise Community Hospital-24 beds
- Benson Hospital-22 beds
- Southeastern Arizona Medical Center-25 beds
- Sierra Vista Regional Health Center-88 beds
- Ft. Huachuca-Raymond Bliss outpatient
- Chiricahua Community Health Center
- Assisted Living Facilities



Bimonthly Meetings:

- Communicable Disease and Surveillance Reports
- Exercise & Planning Discussions
- Educational Speaker
- Update Partner Contacts
- Round table reporting
- MEDSIS updates and training
- Tour of Facility



Partnership Collaboration:

Collaboration topics:

- Enhancement of surveillance
- Disease Reporting
- Case investigations
- County capacities and capabilities
- Collaborative planning
- Work together on HPP Exercises
- Current Border issues

Activity Examples:

- H1N1 collaboration
- SNS distribution
- Mass Fatality and Surge capacity planning
- Share VG 11/4/11 AAR/IP's
- Emergency Preparedness Inventory List

Preparedness Activities:

- Communicable Disease Reporting
- Case/Outbreak Investigation
- Current Disease Reporting Guidelines
- Sampling and Shipping Procedures
- ILI Reporting
- UNEX Protocol
- Volunteerism and ESAR-VHP
- National Healthcare Safety Network/HAI presentations





Information Sharing:

- Current Contact Lists
- Disease Reporting Algorithms
- CDC communicable disease reporting protocols
- Current Outbreak Statistics
- Influenza Updates
- Antibiotic and Antiviral releases
- Morbidity or Mortality cases of interest
- Specific Hospital News

Surveillance & Disease Reporting



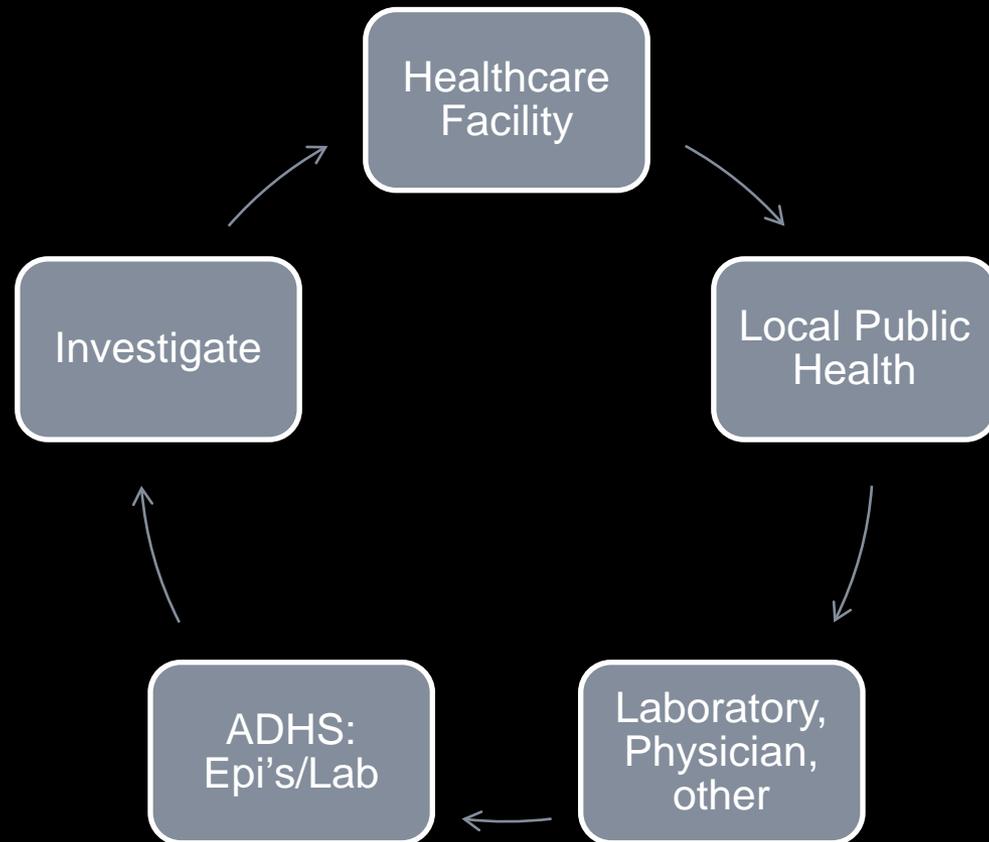
- Interagency Cooperation Foremost
- Adhere to Communicable Disease Reporting to Public Health Guidelines
- Immediately Notify Local PH
- Case Investigation is a joint endeavor
- PH works with Hospitals to enter cases into MEDSIS and complete case investigation



Surveillance & Disease Reporting

- Hospitals encouraged to report syndromic surveillance weekly
- Report cases of any suspected PH interest immediately
- Notify PH of suspicious cases and collection of specimens
- MEDSIS assistance
- Case Investigation follow-up and completion

Surveillance & Disease Reporting



Questions?





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