1. **Call to Order--Welcome and Introductions**

   The Governor’s Council on Infectious Disease Preparedness and Response (Council) convened at the Arizona State Laboratory Auditorium, 250 North 17th Avenue, Phoenix, Arizona, on November 7, 2014. Will Humble called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m. Roll call was conducted.

2. **Review and Approval of the Minutes from the October 24, 2014 Meeting**

   The Council moved on the review and approval of the October 24, 2014 minutes. After no changes to the minutes were requested, Council members motioned to approve the minutes.

3. **Healthcare System Subcommittee Updates**

   Rebecca Sunenshine and Francisco Garcia presented updates from the Healthcare System Subcommittee meetings. Rebecca Sunenshine announced the recruitment of healthcare treatment facilities and will be recognized as Designated Infectious Disease Treatment Centers of Excellence, which will accept any confirmed cases of Ebola as well as any other emerging infectious disease cases in the future. Robert Fromm, Jr. presented details of the first recruitment of a treatment center, Maricopa Integrated Healthcare Systems (MIHS). The Subcommittee is in the process of recruiting another facility in the Tucson area, and Francisco Garcia gave an update on that recruitment. CDC has a readiness assessment team that will be sent out to the treatment centers once identified. Cara Christ explained
the certification process for licensing the treatment centers by the Arizona Department of Health Services. The Subcommittee outlined other commitments from other partners including that the City of Phoenix Emergency Medical Services has stepped forward as the designed transport if there is an identified Ebola case. The Subcommittee discussed the importance of continuum of care as a collaborative team effort and the process for patient diagnosis, transfer, and treatment. The Council also talked about the implications and legal actions of someone in the public claiming they have Ebola. The Subcommittee recognized the importance of a critical step for these kinds of incidences.

4. Communication Subcommittee Updates
Cara Christ and Rebecca Sunenshine presented updates from the Communication Subcommittee. The Subcommittee discussed the process of active and direct active monitoring of travelers from the Ebola effective areas to determine if they are high risk, some risk, or low risk and the followed up by the local health departments. Some of the Council members voiced their concerns with the process of monitoring travelers and identified some gaps that need to be addressed. Recommendations were made. The Subcommittee is creating additional guidance toolkits and fact sheets/handouts that are available on the website. This week the Division of Licensing Services is visiting outpatient treatment centers with a new outpatient treatment center algorithm for Ebola. A process map [http://dev/phs/oids/ebola/algorithms.php](http://dev/phs/oids/ebola/algorithms.php) for outpatient facilities has been developed, and will be available on the web. The subcommittee will be meeting with the PIOs of the identified treatment centers to discuss public messaging.

Wendy Smith-Reeve provided details of the State Emergency Response and Recovery Plan (SERRP) and explained how the Biological Incident Annex will be reviewed and updated for use in the Communication Plan that is due to the Governor on December 1, 2014. Director Smith-Reeved suggested adding an influenza pandemic appendix and broadens it to be an infectious disease appendix instead of an Ebola virus disease appendix. Council members provided their feedback.

5. Discuss Recommendations
Council members had an open forum on areas that still need to be addressed and talked about the logistics of the report due on December 1, 2014. The following items were discussed:
- Opportunity for more active learning, possibly a webinar
- Conducting an exercise to identify gaps
- Importance of technical assistance with specimen collection
- Assuring resources are available to meet the needs of the hospitals
- Addressing the issues of the ongoing return of deployed staff. A workgroup was recommended to handle those issues.
- Logistics and timelines of the Governor’s report. Plans are to use the Friday after Thanksgiving to finalize the report.
- Outreach to outpatient treatment centers not licensed by ADHS

Robert Halliday provided an update on the legal implications of someone falsely claiming they have Ebola.
6. **Call to Public**
Will Humble addressed a concern from the public regarding the statutory authority for isolation and quarantine in Arizona.

7. **Adjournment**
Council members will be electronically notified of the next meeting and will be sent additional updates. Mr. Humble reminded the Council members to take the training on the open meeting law requirements under state law if they haven’t already and submit their Loyalty oaths to our office. Cara Christ will be sending out an email to ask everyone to send in their home addresses so they can receive their appointment letter. The Council meeting adjourned at 10:47 a.m.

Respectively Submitted,
Wendy M. Snyder