

ASPR TRACIE Technical Assistance Request

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Request:

The requestor asked if ASPR TRACIE had example Health and Medical Recovery Annexes. She noted that she preferred county level plans for public health departments, but city level resources would be acceptable as well.

Response:

The ASPR TRACIE team reviewed existing Topic Collections for materials on recovery plans; namely, the [Recovery Planning](#) and [Continuity of Operations \(COOP\)/ Failure Plan](#) Topic Collections. We also searched for other resources online. Section I below includes recovery plans for health departments, and Section II provides additional recovery planning resources that may be helpful as well.

I. Recovery Plans

Chatham County (GA) Emergency Management. (2015). [Chatham County Disaster Recovery Plan. Recovery Support Function 3: Health and Social Services.](#)

This plan provides a framework for Chatham County's public, private, and non-profit sector's coordination efforts to ensure adequate provision of public health, health care, social, and human services to individuals and communities following a disaster.

Denver Urban Area Security Initiative. (2012). [Wide Area Recovery and Resiliency Program \(WARRP\) Denver UASI All-Hazards Regional Recovery Framework.](#)

This document outlines how the Denver Urban Area Security Initiative will make critical recovery decisions at a regional level; the document can also be used by local jurisdictions when developing recovery plans. The authors include annexes on recovering from biological, chemical, and radiological/nuclear incidents.

Douglas County (CO) Office of Emergency Management. (2014). [Douglas County Disaster Recovery Plan.](#)

This document is an all-hazards recovery plan and guides the actions of the County agencies involved in recovery efforts after a disaster. **Note:** Annex G includes the recovery plan for the Health and Medical Services Recovery Group.

Fairfax County (VA) Office of Emergency Management. (2012). [Fairfax County Pre-Disaster Recovery Plan.](#)

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Minnesota Department of Health. (2017). [All-Hazards Response and Recovery Plan.](#)

This plan establishes the framework for the activation and management of the State's health department activities in response to incidents having public health or health care implications. **Note:** This plan is developed at the state level, but may still have useful information for local jurisdictions.

State of New Hampshire. (2015). [New Hampshire Recovery Plan.](#)

This plan establishes the framework to coordinate recovery efforts between the federal, State, local, and private sector. The purpose of this plan is to: 1) outline a framework that can help communities rebuild after a disaster while increasing their ability to recover from future disasters, and 2) coordinate efforts for the State Government to recover as well. **Note:** This plan is developed at the state level, but may still have useful information for local jurisdictions.

II. Additional Recovery Resources

Acosta, J.D., Chandra, A., Xenakis, L., et al. (2015). [Partnerships for Recovery Across the Sectors \(PRACTIS\) Toolkit.](#) RAND Corporation.

This toolkit incorporates lessons learned from a study on New York City's recovery from Hurricane Sandy into guidance for local health departments (LHDs). The toolkit provides LHDs three tools: (1) a sample survey and steps for fielding the survey to help LHDs locate and identify the key community-based organizations (CBOs) that can contribute to disaster response and recovery, (2) a quality improvement guide and sample quality improvement report to help users form guidance concerning partnerships between LHDs and CBOs (and between CBOs), and (3) a tabletop recovery exercise for LHDs and CBOs.

Eastern Virginia Healthcare Coalition. (2016). [Continuity of Operations Plan \(COOP\) Guide for Disaster Avoidance, Preparation and Recovery.](#)

This plan describes the steps the Eastern Virginia Healthcare Coalition will take following a disaster to ensure that it is able to return to normal operations as quickly as possible in order to fulfill its mission of supporting its healthcare community in response and recovery. It may be used as a reference to assist other coalitions with developing their Continuity of Operations plans.

Federal Emergency Management Agency. (2017). [Pre-Disaster Recovery Planning Guide for Local Governments.](#)

This planning guide is intended for local governments to help them develop pre-disaster recovery plans. It includes several forms, checklists, and a step-by-step process for local planners to use as they plan for recovery efforts.

Texas A&M University, School of Public Health. (2015). [Disaster Recovery Tracking Tool: Measuring Recovery through Healthy Community Indicators.](#)

The Texas A&M University's School of Public Health (as part of the former Coastal Hazards Center of Excellence) developed this web-based disaster recovery tool that provides 84 metrics, organized within 4 themes and 10 focus areas, for tracking progress towards recovery. The tool allows practitioners to compare pre- and post-disaster status using baseline and current data and generate reports, which can provide end users (e.g., emergency managers, long-term recovery committees) with a useful means of prioritizing recovery goals and activities. This tool further functions as a disaster recovery management platform, enabling users to maintain accessible records of public outreach activities and local contacts, log and monitor the status of recovery-oriented tasks, and capture resource expenditure data required for grant eligibility and reporting.

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response. (2015). [Healthcare COOP and Recovery Planning: Concepts, Principles, Templates and Resources.](#)

This guide includes an overview of healthcare continuity of operations planning, customizable templates, and other related resources. It includes links to information on continuity planning, online courses, and other COOP resources.