Requestor is inquiring if ASPR TRACIE is aware of any hospital emergency preparedness and capability assessment tools and/or templates that are available either at the national or state levels.

The [insert] is planning to conduct a multi-year, statewide hospital readiness and capability assessment in preparation for the upcoming changes to the CMS Emergency Preparedness conditions of participation. The purpose of the assessment is to provide baseline data to individual facilities on their level of preparedness and to produce a report showing the overall levels of hospital readiness in the state.

Response:

Your response was prepared by Meghan Treber, ICF TRACIE Project Director with expert consultation from Dr. John Hick, ASPR OEM and Eileen Blake, Yale New Haven Center for Emergency Preparedness and Disaster Response.

The following resources are recommended to support your request for hospital emergency preparedness and capability assessment tools and/or templates. Hyperlinks are provided in the title, where possible, otherwise the resource is attached to the transmittal email.

**CMS Proposed Rule Crosswalk to The Joint Commission (TJC) Emergency Management Standards.** Yale New Haven Center for Emergency Preparedness and Disaster Response. (attached)

Yale New Haven Center for Emergency Preparedness and Disaster Response developed a crosswalk of the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services Proposed Rule for Emergency Preparedness against the existing Joint Commission Emergency Management Standards to assist hospital emergency managers in compliance.

**Hospital All-Hazards Self-Assessment Tool.** Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Healthcare Preparedness Activity.

This interactive tool is designed to help you assess and identify potential gaps in your facility's all-hazards emergency plan(s). Upon completing the HAH you can print a summary of your responses, which you can use to modify aspects of these plan(s). You are encouraged to update the HAH as changes to your plan(s) are made, and to include the HAH with your preparedness planning documents. The tool is geared towards...
hospital preparedness staff, including planners, administrators, and other key personnel. It is suggested that this group complete the HAH in multiple sessions over a period of time.

**Hospital Disaster Preparedness Self-Assessment Tool.** American College of Emergency Physicians. (attached)

This assessment tool was developed to assist hospitals in revising and updating existing disaster plans or in the development of new plans. The tool was originally used by a subject matter expert survey team to collect data for a Department of Homeland Security (DHS) grant so it is constructed in a survey format. The authors feel this assessment tool can also be utilized in a self-assessment format by the institution in the review of their disaster plans.

**Hospital Emergency Response Checklist: An All-Hazards Tool for Hospital Administrators and Emergency Managers.** World Health Organization.

This tool comprises hospital-based emergency management principles and best practices and integrates priority action required for rapid, effective response to a critical event based on an all-hazards approach. The tool is structured according to nine key components, each with a list of priority action to support hospital managers and emergency planners in achieving: (1) continuity of essential services; (2) well-coordinated implementation of hospital operations at every level; (3) clear and accurate internal and external communication; (4) swift adaptation to increased demands; (5) the effective use of scarce resources; and (6) a safe environment for health-care workers. It is designed for international hospitals to be consistent with European Union standards, but is applicable to internationally accepted standards.

**Public Health and Medical Surge Capacity Inventory Regional Assessment.** Pennsylvania Department of Health and Drexel University Center for Public Health Readiness and Communication. (attached)

This assessment tool is designed to assist in determining the readiness of a sub-state region or healthcare coalition to respond to the public health and medical consequences of disasters and emergencies. It is designed to assess, planning, training, staff, and inventory readiness. The assessment is designed for Pennsylvania, but in a Word version and easily modifiable for any State or region.

**Resource Vulnerability Analysis (RVA) Tool and Implementation Guide.** US Department of Health and Human Services, Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response. (2 documents attached)

The RVA is intended to be a voluntary tool to assist hospitals with identifying and prioritizing preparedness gaps and creating a yearly analysis and prioritization cycle, complementing the Hazard Vulnerability Assessment. The RVA examines the specific resources of the hospital including the plans, space, staff, and supply considerations.

**Sample Hospital Readiness Assessment 2010 – Sample Areas of Assessment and Partial Question Set.** Yale New Haven Center for Emergency Preparedness and Disaster Response. (attached)
The Yale New Haven Center for Emergency Preparedness and Disaster Response developed a Hospital Readiness Assessment series of topics and assessment questions that could assist in developing a tailored hospital readiness survey.

Surge Planning Checklist California Hospital Association.
The purpose of the Hospital Surge Plan Checklist and Resources is to assist hospitals in developing and/or updating their plans for response to a significant surge event, as well as to provide tools, examples and guides to assist with plan development and implementation.