ASPR TRACIE Technical Assistance Request

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inquired about existing hospital-specific highly pathogenic infectious disease plans. He also noted that he is not focused on Ebola resources.

Response:

The ASPR TRACIE team conducted an online search for materials on hospital-specific highly pathogenic infectious disease plans and other related resources. We also reviewed existing ASPR TRACIE Topic Collections; namely, the Epidemic/ Pandemic Flu, SARS/ MERS and VHF/ Ebola Topic Collections. Resources collected are listed below.

I. Epidemic/ Pandemic Flu-Specific Resources


This plan can help healthcare providers manage an H1N1 outbreak or other large scale epidemic or pandemic. Developed during the 2009 H1N1 pandemic, it provides a checklist/template for hospital preparedness.


This checklist can help hospital staff with decision making and influenza flu plan development.


This checklist is intended to assist hospitals in evaluating current pandemic influenza plans or developing new ones.
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. (2010). *Coordinating Pediatric Medical Care During an Influenza Pandemic: Hospital Workbook.*

This workbook was designed to assist hospitals in coordinating the care of pediatric patients during an influenza pandemic. The workbook guides hospitals in thinking about needed actions to inform their preparedness planning.


This guide is intended to assist community hospitals in identifying issues with response capabilities and resource availability during an influenza pandemic as well as to develop strategies to address them.


This toolkit consists of a Pandemic Influenza Triage Algorithm to triage patients with influenza-like illness, a Community Site-of Care Tool to determine the appropriate care site for patients based on the Pandemic Influenza Triage Algorithm, and the Community Healthcare Decision Pathway to assess resource and medical surge to determine appropriate care sites.

Los Angeles County Emergency Medical Services Agency. (2010). *Recommended Actions for Hospitals to Prepare for and Respond to Pandemic Influenza.*

This document provides guidelines to hospitals to prepare for an influenza pandemic. It includes a summary of recommended actions and their triggers, checklists, sample response guides, general background information, and links to additional resources.


This toolkit is intended for use by hospital emergency departments, and tests how long it takes for a potential patient with a highly infectious disease to be identified and for staff to begin exposure mitigation procedures; how long it takes for a patient to be transferred to an isolation room; and the capability of the facility to make notifications internally and to the health department. The Toolkit includes scenarios for Ebola Virus Disease, Middle East Respiratory Syndrome, and Measles, but may be modified to suit healthcare facilities of any nature and any type of disease outbreak.

### II. SARS/ MERS-Specific Resources


This is an Incident Planning Guide for hospitals to use in conjunction with their Incident Command System and emergency management plans. It provides a scenario and planning
factors to consider pertaining to infectious disease outbreaks. Note: Click on the Word or PDF version provided under the Infectious Disease category.


This is an Incident Response Guide for hospitals to use in conjunction with their Incident Command System and emergency management plans. It describes actions by response role for identifying, triaging, isolating, treating, and tracking a surge of potentially infectious patients and staff. Note: Click on the Word or PDF version provided under the Infectious Disease category.


This webpage contains links to guidance on SARS infection control in various settings.


This web page contains links to information on MERS for the public, healthcare providers and laboratory professionals including a frequently asked questions resource. Preparedness checklists for providers and healthcare facilities are included.


This algorithm assists clinicians and public health workers in the management of potential cases of MERS-CoV infection in the United Kingdom.


This article focuses on three key business aspects of treating patients with highly infectious diseases: communication; human resources and staffing; and HIPAA concerns.

III. Ebola Websites

NOTE: The requestor noted that he did not require Ebola-specific materials; however, we would like to provide the following resources for your reference.

ASPR TRACIE VHF/ Ebola Topic Collection.

National Ebola Training and Education Center.

Note: The Nebraska Resources section of this webpage provides the Nebraska Biocontainment Unit Protocols and other resources.

University of Nebraska Medical Center.