

Healthcare Threat & Hazards Impact and Risk Assessment

BACKGROUND

The WV Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management requires that each county conduct, document, and submit a **Threat and Hazards Identification and Risk Assessment (THIRA)** as a focused, actionable tool for preparedness planning. The objectives of the THIRA are to: 1) help the county develop targets for Core Capabilities in the National Preparedness Goal, 2) assess current capacity for every capability, 3) identify resources needed to meet each target, and 4) develop a list of actions to help build and sustain capability. [Reference: *FY 2014 State Guidance for Completing Local Threat and Hazard Impact and Risk Assessment*, WVHSEM, March 2014]

As a critical component of county infrastructure, healthcare facilities need to define their specific vulnerabilities and provide related information on current capabilities/resources to their local emergency management agency. The Healthcare THIRA has been designed as a tool to provide this collaborative information to optimize preparedness planning and resource allocation for healthcare needs. It should be updated and submitted to emergency management by the designated date or more often if operations, conditions, and/or capabilities change at the healthcare facility.

COMPLETING THE HEALTHCARE THIRA

STEP 1 – **Identify Healthcare Vulnerabilities** (Chart 1)

List the threats and hazards identified in the facility's Hazard Vulnerability Assessment (HVA).

STEP 2 – **Describe the Most Likely Disaster Scenarios for the Healthcare Facility** (Chart 2)

For each of the top 3 threats to the healthcare facility:

Detail a scenario and convey potential impacts to include: a) *geography of the facility or campus, b) infrastructure/equipment, c) population (i.e. # and/or % of staff, patients, visitors, and other populations served or supported), and d) operational impacts.*

List necessary resources (from sources outside of your healthcare facility)

This list should include plans, procedures and other guidance; administrative and operational personnel; equipment and other supplies; training and educational needs; exercises and other validation measures; and other resources needed to ensure viability and effective planning/response for this scenario.

Describe recommended actions needed to develop, expand, and/or sustain your facility's planning or response to this scenario. This would include coordinated efforts involving other response partners and coalition members.

STEP 3 – **Save and Submit Your Healthcare THIRA**

Save your completed THIRA form and rename the file (i.e., Boone Memorial THIRA 093014)

Provide copies of your facility's updated THIRA to your county emergency management agency, the Regional Coordinator for your WV Hospital Region, and the WV Hospital Association.

~ First submission is due by June 1, 2015 ~

STEP 4 – **Document submissions** of the facility's THIRA document (Chart 3)

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HEALTHCARE FACILITY IDENTIFICATION

Date:

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Healthcare System/Facility Name:

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Primary Healthcare System/Facility Address:

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Other Locations within the Healthcare System (Addresses):

Healthcare System/Facility Contact:

Name	
Phone #	
Email Address	

Other Person(s) involved in completing this THIRA document:

Name	Organization

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CHART 2:

MOST LIKELY DISASTER SCENARIOS for the HEALTHCARE FACILITY

On Chart 2, complete the following information for the top 3 rated Threats/Events in your Facility's HVA:

Scenario Description *should include specific impacts and/or defining features unique to your facility to include: a) geography of the facility or campus, b) infrastructure/equipment, c) population (i.e. # and/or % of staff, patients, visitors, and other populations served or supported), and d) operational impacts.*

Needed Resources *(from sources outside of your healthcare facility) should include plans, procedures and other guidance; administrative and operational personnel; equipment and other supplies; training and educational needs; exercises and other validation measures; and other resources needed to ensure viability and effective planning/response for this scenario.*

Recommended Actions *for your facility and/or other response partners to address in developing, expanding, and/or sustaining planning or response actions for healthcare impacts of this scenario.*

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#1 SCENARIO DESCRIPTION

NEEDED RESOURCES (in addition to what is currently available in your facility)

RECOMMENDED ACTIONS (in addition to what is currently planned for your facility to prepare or respond)

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#2 SCENARIO DESCRIPTION

NEEDED RESOURCES (in addition to what is currently available in your facility)

RECOMMENDED ACTIONS (in addition to what is currently planned for your facility to prepare or respond)

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#3 SCENARIO DESCRIPTION

NEEDED RESOURCES (in addition to what is currently available in your facility)

RECOMMENDED ACTIONS (in addition to what is currently planned for your facility to prepare or respond)

