

# The Metro Health & Medical Preparedness Coalition Executive Summary

### **Purpose:**

The goal of the Metro Health & Medical Preparedness Coalition is to facilitate integrated planning, response and recovery activities critical to an effective response to an event or emergency with public health and medical implications in the metro area.

### Scope:

Within the parameters of statutory requirements and jurisdictional Emergency Operations Plans, and as outlined in operational support compacts, mutual aid agreements, memoranda of understanding or other operational agreements, the Coalition will support public health and medical response and recovery to include, but not limited to:

- Provide regional coordination of planning, training and exercising for metro health and medical entities;
- Provide health and medical situational information to support a regionally coordinated response;
- Facilitate health and medical resource sharing through multi-agency coordination;
- Address the appropriate capability targets as defined by Emergency Management, Public Health and Healthcare.

#### Authority:

The Metro Health & Medical Preparedness Coalition has no specific legal authority. Each entity represented has discipline specific authority and will integrate that authority to coordinate and leverage planning and response.

- MN State Statute Chapter 12 Emergency Management
- <u>Minnesota Local Public Health Act (MN Stt. 145 A)</u> outlines the shared public health responsibilities of the state and local governments in Minnesota
- MN Department of Health -MN Emergency Operations Plan
- Local authority as embodied in local EOPs or local jurisdictional plans (Public Health)
- Voluntary agreements for regional coordination of the Metro Hospital Compact
- Voluntary agreements among Regional EMS providers for regional coordination for EMS activities

## Membership:

The Metro Health & Medical Preparedness Coalition is comprised of, but not limited to, hospitals, healthcare entities and skilled nursing facilities, local public health departments, Minnesota Department of Health, EMS agencies, University of Minnesota, and Emergency Management agencies throughout the Metro Region as defined by the participating disciplines.

Future coalition membership will be determined as needed.

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