

Mississippi Health Care Association
Updated Guidance for Emergency Preparedness - Appendix Z
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Presented by - Melissa Parker, Frances Fair & Burton Schmitz
Mississippi State Department of Health

June 17, 2021 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

MHCA Virtual Training

SPEAKERS:

Melissa Parker, CPM - Director, Licensure and Certification, Mississippi State Department of Health

Frances Fair, RN, Director/Chief Nurse, Health Facilities, Licensure and Certification, Mississippi State Department of Health

Burton Schmitz– MEHC Emergency Planner

TARGET AUDIENCE: Physicians, Nurses, Pharmacists, LTC Administrators and anyone involved in planning for Annual Emergency Preparedness Implementation.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES:

- To review and increase understanding of updated Interpretative guidelines and updates for Emergency Preparedness related to Federal Regulations in Appendix Z of the State Operations Manual because of the revisions of the Medicare and Medicaid Programs; Regulatory Provisions to Promote Program Efficiency, Transparency, and burden Reduction (Conditions of Participation (CoPs); (CMS 3346-F) Final Rule for implementation in ALL Healthcare settings.
- To expand Knowledge of the Guidance related to Emerging Infectious Diseases (EIDs) based upon best practices, lessons learned and general recommendations for planning and preparedness for EID outbreaks.
- To discuss and increase understanding of Annual State Emergency Preparedness Planning and ways to streamline the process of developing the facility's Annual State Emergency Plan to include EIDs and required exercises.

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AGENDA

1:00 -1:30PM – Melissa Parker – Overview Emergency Plan – why and how it works

1:30 – 2:30 PM– Frances Fair - Updated Guidance for Appendix Z

2:30 – 2:45PM – Break

2:45 – 3:45PM Burton Schmitz - Facility EOP

3:45 – 4:00PM - Wrap Up and Questions - All

INFORMATION ABOUT PRESENTERS

Melissa Parker, CMP—Director of Licensure

Melissa has 30 years of service with the Mississippi State Department of Health, beginning in 1991 as a Health Physicist with Radiological Health. In 1998, she moved to the Bureau of Public Water Supply to eventually become its Deputy Director. In 2011, she became the Deputy Director of the Office of Environmental Health, and in 2017, Director of the Office of Licensure. Melissa has a Bachelor's degree in Biology from the University of Mississippi and is a Certified Public Manager.

Frances Fair, RN - Director of Health Facilities - Division of Licensure/Chief Nurse

Frances has worked with the Mississippi Department of Health for 19 years and served in the capacity of Director of Nursing in Hinds County for 10 Mississippi Health Department Clinics and Home Health Agencies; she served as State Nurse Epidemiologist for Mississippi, prior to coming to Licensure and Certification where she has served since 2012. Ms. Fair has served as an SMQT Qualified Long-Term Care Surveyor, and as Chief Nurse in Licensure since 2015, and took the position as State Agency Survey Director for Long Term Care and Non-Long-Term Care as of July 2019. Ms. Fair holds a BSN from the University of MS, and a BA from Belhaven College in Christian Education.

Burt Schmitz, M Div., CHEP

Burt has been serving as Mississippi Emergency Support Function 8 (ESF-8) Healthcare Coalition (MEHC) Emergency Planner with the Mississippi State Department of Health since 2012 developing Emergency Operations Plan (EOP) Templates and verifying EOPs for various facility types. Since early 2016, Burt has been working with county and regional level healthcare coalitions. He has assisted coalitions from launching through sustaining the coalition. Burt's experience in emergency preparedness began while he served in the U.S. Navy in operations for nine years. He then served as a Field Representative for the International Board in West Africa for 15 years where every day was living on the edge of a disaster.