

Event Name: [EXERCISE] MVP VHASS Communications Drill – December 4, 2019

Event Type: EXERCISE

Public Health Category: Other

Distribution Category: Release outside of organization as needed

Situation: The CVHC Regional Healthcare Coordination Center (RHCC) will be conducting a regional emergency communications drill with all healthcare organizations that serve medically vulnerable populations (Long Term Care, Dialysis, Home Health, Hospice, Ambulatory Surgery Centers, ICF//IID, etc.) today Wednesday, December 4, 2019 from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Facility Impacted: Other: Other : Central Region Medically Vulnerable Populations

Region(s): Central

Immediate Impact and/or At 9 a.m. today, Wednesday, December 4, 2019, the CVHC RHCC will create a VHASS Event called "Exercise-CVHC VHASS Regional Communications Drill –December 4, 2019" and send

Required Action: a text alert to all MVP users with an active profile. Participating facilities and organizations will have a 3 hour window to participate in the drill. Completing the communications drill takes approximately 2 minutes.

Background: CMS requires MVP organizations to conduct and exercise their communications plans and resources. The CVHC RHCC provides a regional communications drill as an opportunity for the member organizations to document and meet these annual CMS requirements.

Discussion: MVP organizations need to establish and maintain a current VHASS account, establish essential and key personnel with individual VHASS accounts to include a verified text alert phone number and engage the regional communications drills, exercises and training opportunities throughout the year.

Recommended Action: Log into VHASS and post a message acknowledging the drill in the VHASS Event Log by 12 p.m. on December 4, 2019. Dialysis and Long-Term Care organizations will also need to post an update to their respective VHASS Status Boards prior to 12 p.m. on December 4, 2019. (Please use the Dialysis job aid/LTC job aid links on the CVHC website if needed).

Action Taken: CVHC RHCC will send out a VHASS text alert that the communications drill has begun. CVHC RHCC will activate the event in VHASS, monitor the VHASS Event Log, and advise when the communications drill is https://msdh.ms.gov/msdhsite/_static/resources/7289.docx completed. CVHC will also follow up with all the essential deliverables so member organizations can document participation in the regional communications drill.

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Event Update History

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