Event Name: [EXERCISE] MVP VHASS Communications Drill – August 7, 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, August 7, 2019 from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Facility Impacted: Other: Central Region Medically Vulnerable Populations

Region(s): Central

Immediate Impact At 9 a.m. today, Wednesday, May 1August 7, 2019, the CVHC RHCC will create a VHASS

and/or Event called "Exercise-CVHC VHASS Regional Communications Drill - May 1, 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 August 7, 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 August 7, 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 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

Date/Time	Status	Name	Region	Organization	EN Access	Contact No.
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