Ready Together

to

Protect and Respond

during a Public Health Emergency





Public Health Emergency

- Single Incident
- Large Disaster

An incident that poses a risk to the health of Thurston County Residents

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Preparedness

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- Building on the strengths of what we do everyday.

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Capacity to Respond



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- Staff Training Prepared at home and work
- Integration into all divisions of Public Health.
- Pre identify staff and roles they may fill during a response
- Continuity of Operations Assure there are adequate resources and staff to continue protection of public health
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Public Health Emergency Response Plan Coordinated with other response plans in Thurston County

All Hazards

Communications

Public Information

Incident Specific

- Pandemic Influenza Plans
- Biological Terroism
- Alternative Care System
- Mass Fatality
- Mass Casualty
- · Strategic National Stockpile (SNS)

Capabilities

Everyday business can become a Public Health Emergency

Public Health & Social Services Incident Management Team (PHSS IMT)

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Prepare in advance

Training and Exercises

Practice responding to what could really happen and with who will really be working with us.

Evaluate and make changes