

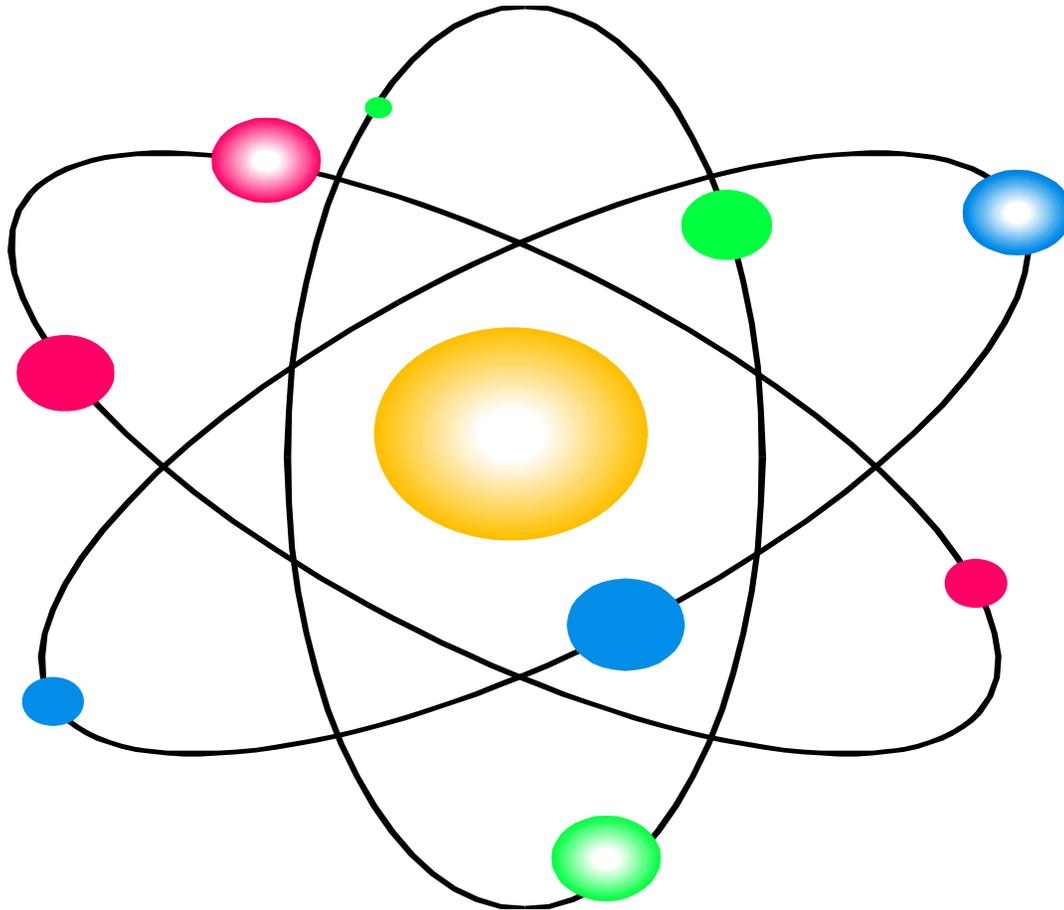


Emergency Planning Issues and Public Health Response

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Hazardous Materials



Bio EMG Planning Priorities

- ◆ Early integration with local planners/responders
- ◆ Lead agency will be public health
- ◆ However, this varies from state to state
- ◆ For example, Emergency Management could be the lead agency for any all-hazard event, with PH in a liaison or section chief role
- ◆ Additional planners could include veterinarians, agriculture

What will they expect from DOE?

- ◆ A list of agents, forms, concentrations
- ◆ Assurance of lab safety procedures
- ◆ What kind of ongoing detection and monitoring is occurring?
- ◆ How will you know you have a breach?
- ◆ What kind of surveillance is in effect, to include health surveillance.

Expectations of DOE/NNSA

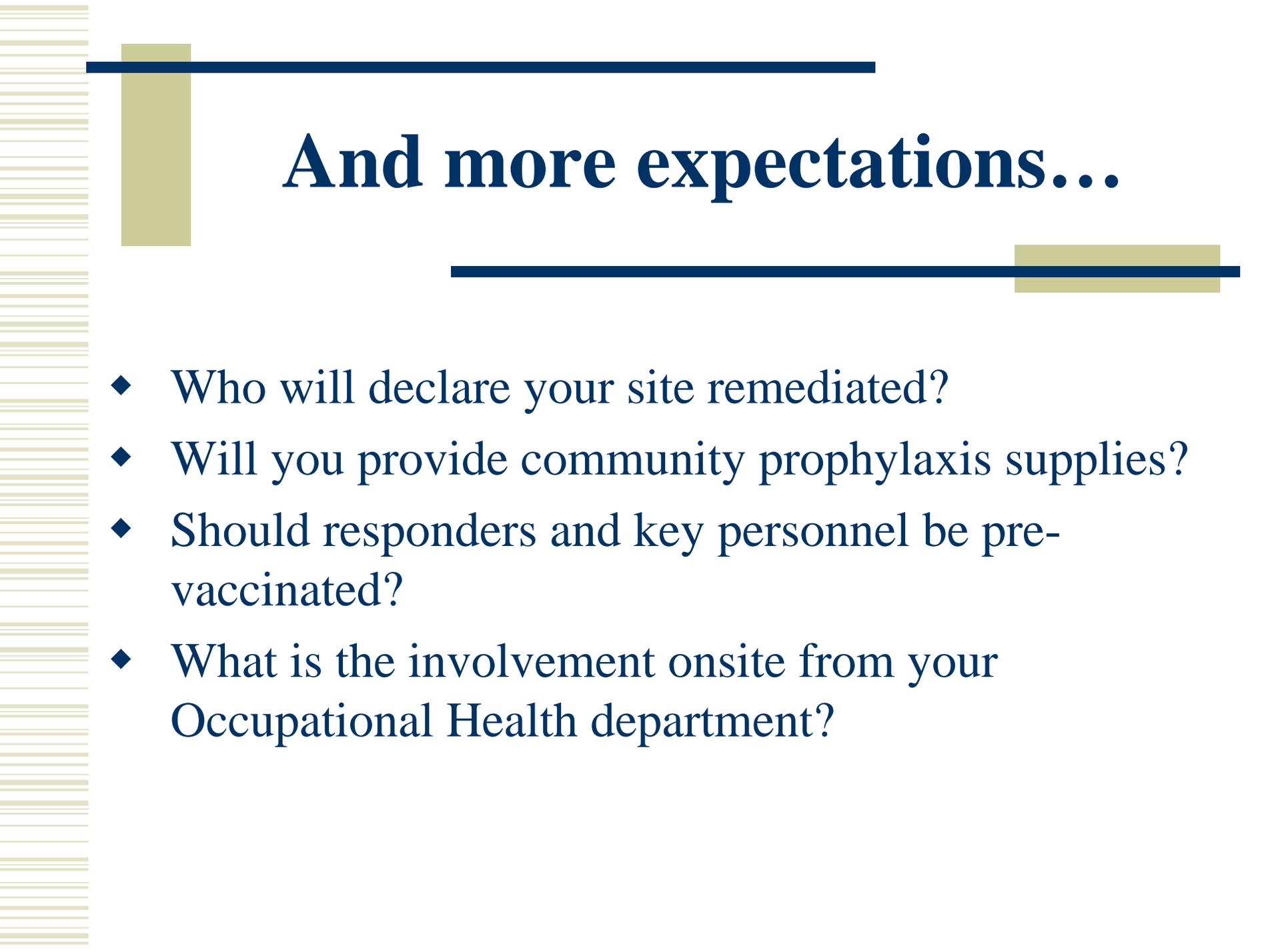
- ◆ What type of symptoms should be monitored for?
- ◆ What does your employee education program cover regarding safety, infection control standards, and health surveillance?
- ◆ Where will you employees go if they get sick with a possible bio agent infection?

Expectations...

- ◆ How will you know if you have a release?
- ◆ Who will you notify, and when?
- ◆ What advice will you offer to PH, other responders, and the community?
- ◆ What will your employees be instructed to do?
- ◆ Do you have an onsite employee prophylaxis stockpile and distribution plan?

More expectations...

- ◆ Does your prophylaxis plan include employees families?
- ◆ Do you have a shelter in place plan and what is your capability for self sustainment?
- ◆ What is your evacuation plan, and does it address decontamination?
- ◆ What is your plan and process for site remediation post-release?



And more expectations...

- ◆ Who will declare your site remediated?
- ◆ Will you provide community prophylaxis supplies?
- ◆ Should responders and key personnel be pre-vaccinated?
- ◆ What is the involvement onsite from your Occupational Health department?

And even more...

- ◆ Who are your key spokespeople in an event, and what is their 24/7 contact information?
- ◆ What supplies, including pharmaceuticals, should the community have on hand in the event of a release?
- ◆ Will you tell the community even if the release was contained?



What you can expect from Public Health?



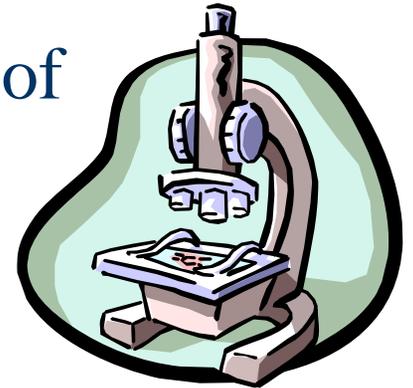


Essential Services of Public Health

- Monitor health status
- Diagnose and investigate
- Inform, educate, and empower
- Mobilize community partnerships
- Develop policies and plans
- Enforce laws and regulations
- Link people to needed services / assure care
- Assure a competent workforce
- Evaluate health services
- Research

Diagnose and Investigate Health Problems and Hazards in the Community

- ◆ Timely identification and investigation of health threats
- ◆ Availability of diagnostic services, including laboratory capacity
- ◆ Response plans to address major health threats



Mobilize Community Partnerships to Identify and Solve Health Problems



- ◆ Constituency development and identification of system partners and stakeholders
- ◆ Coalition development
- ◆ Formal and informal partnerships to promote health improvement

Develop Policies and Plans That Support Individual and Community Health Efforts

- ◆ Policy development to protect health and guide public health practice
- ◆ Community and state planning
- ◆ Alignment of resources to assure successful planning



Enforce Laws and Regulations That Protect Health and Ensure Safety



- ◆ Review, evaluation, and revision of legal authority, laws, and regulations
- ◆ Education about laws and regulations
- ◆ Advocating of regulations needed to protect and promote health
- ◆ Support of compliance efforts and enforcement as needed



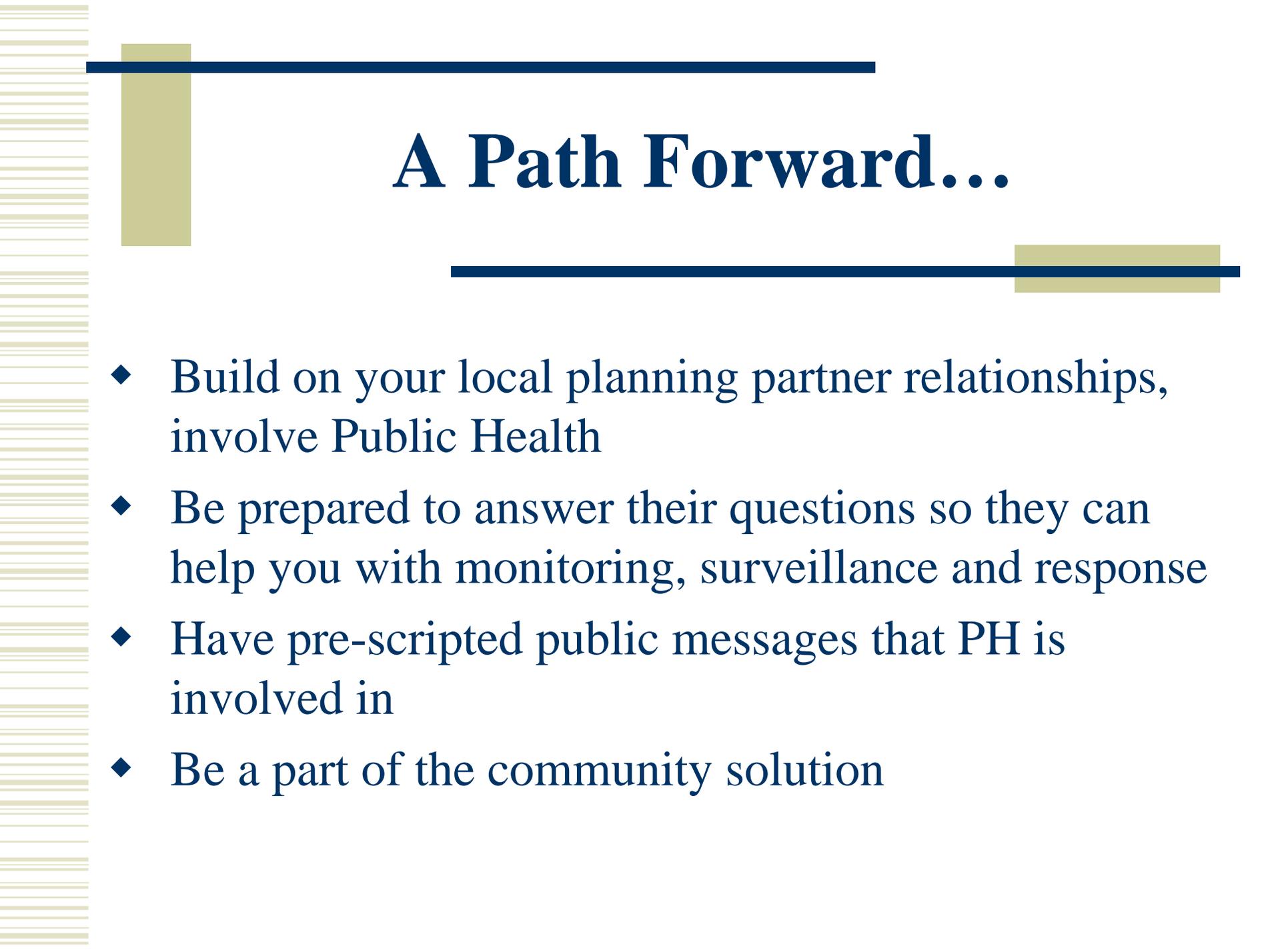
Link People to Needed Personal Health Services and Assure the Provision of Health Care when Otherwise Unavailable

- ◆ Identifying populations with barriers to care
- ◆ Effective entry into a coordinated system of clinical care
- ◆ Ongoing care management
- ◆ Culturally appropriate and targeted health information for at risk population groups
- ◆ Transportation and other enabling services



What does this mean to you?

- ◆ They have the only legal authority in most States to declare quarantine
- ◆ They have the ability to access the Strategic National Stockpile which provides bulk emergency pharmaceuticals you may need
- ◆ They have the Health Alert Network linked to the CDC for rapid communication
- ◆ They are the legal entity that tracks infectious disease outbreaks
- ◆ They have epidemiologists and environmental health staff



A Path Forward...

- ◆ Build on your local planning partner relationships, involve Public Health
- ◆ Be prepared to answer their questions so they can help you with monitoring, surveillance and response
- ◆ Have pre-scripted public messages that PH is involved in
- ◆ Be a part of the community solution