



National Summit on Primary Care Emergency Preparedness

“Integrating Primary Care Providers into Regional Response Planning” – A Federal Perspective

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“A Nation Prepared ??”

- According to a recent U.S. Citizen Corps survey, nearly one third of people in our country admit that they have done NOTHING to prepare for an emergency.....with reasons given such as.....
 - 45% simply haven’t thought about it
 - 34% do not think “it will happen to them”
 - 25% think that nothing they do will be “effective” or make a difference”
 - 21% say that not knowing “what to do” accounts for their lack of preparedness
- In a recent community invitation to 1000 health care providers to attend a local pandemic flu tabletop exercise...only 30 attended
- In another quest for health care providers to “volunteer” as “emergency responders” for a community...only 15% said yes

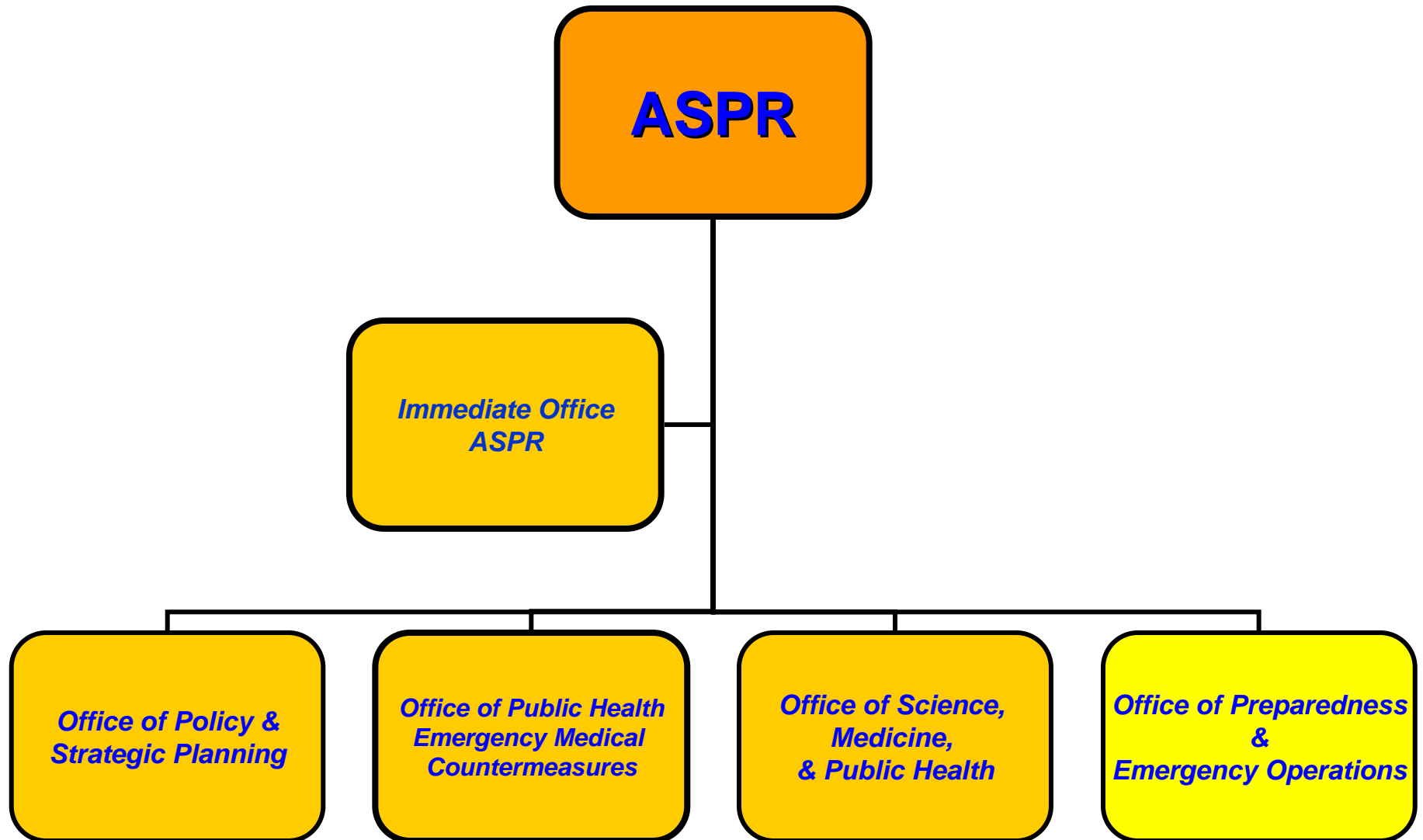
Objectives

- Describe the Organizational Structure of HHS's newly formed Office of the Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response (ASPR) as of January 2007
- Outline HHS/ASPR responsibilities under Emergency Support Function #8 (ESF#8) and the Pandemic and All Hazards Preparedness Act
- Discuss Federal ESF#8 Preparedness Efforts that reach out to the Primary Care Provider Community
- Explore Regional, State and Local Efforts as Proven Strategies to bolster Emergency Preparedness Efforts

“A Nation Prepared”

- **Mission:**
 - Lead the nation in preventing, responding to and reducing the adverse health effects of public health emergencies and disasters
- **Vision**
 - A nation prepared to prevent, respond to and reduce the adverse health effects of public health emergencies and disasters

Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response



ASPR's Program Emphasis

- Enhance State and Local Preparedness
- Support and Assist Regional Preparedness
- Lead ESF#8 and National Preparedness
- Establish Partnerships
 - Federal
 - State
 - Local
 - Business sector
- Promote Evidence-Based Response

ESF#8: Services

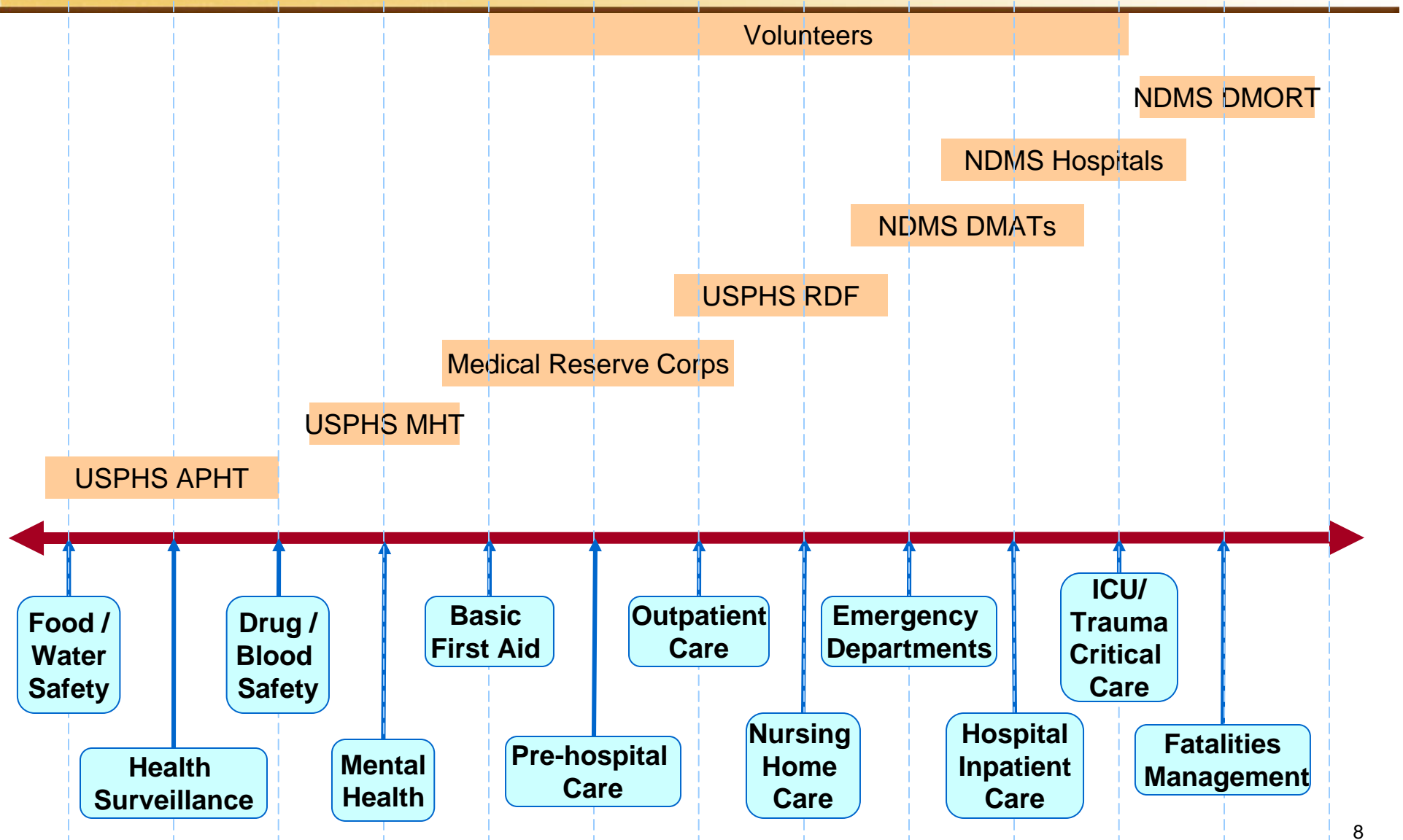
<p><u>Public Health</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Food, water safety Health surveillance Vector control Drug and blood safety Worker safety 	<p><u>Acute Care</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Victims Responders Casualty evacuation
<p><u>Primary Care</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Special medical needs populations Community outreach Nursing home residents Mental health 	<p><u>In-patient Care</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Victims Displaced hospital patients

**Cross cutting responsibilities: Medical equipment and supplies;
 Victim identification/mortuary services;
 Public information; Animal health**

ESF#8 Personnel Resources

- U.S. Public Health Service Commissioned Corps - Federal
 - Rapid Deployment Forces (RDF)
 - Applied Public Health Teams (APHT)
 - Mental Health Teams (MHT)
- National Disaster Medical System (NDMS) – Federal/Local
 - Disaster Medical Assistance Teams
 - Veterinary Medical Assistance Teams
 - Disaster Mortuary Response Teams
- Medical Reserve Corps (MRC) – Federal/State/Local
 - Medical Volunteer responders
- Hospital Preparedness Program – Federal/State/Local
 - Emergency Services Advanced Registry –Volunteer Health Professionals (ESAR-VHP)

The Spectrum of Care & Federal Medical Resources supported by Federal/State/Local Resources



Regional Preparedness begins at the Local Level!

- ASPR Regional Emergency Coordinators
 - Lead HHS preparedness and response activities in their Region
 - Work with State and local public health, emergency management, and homeland security offices
 - Coordinate Other Regional Assets
- Regional/State Logistics
 - Federal Medical Stations (ASPR)
 - Federal Ambulance Contract (ASPR in coordination with FEMA)
 - Regional Logistics Support (in coordination with FEMA)
 - Strategic National Stockpile (CDC)
 - ❖ **Mass Prophylaxis – PODs and CRI**
 - ❖ **Chempack**
 - ❖ **Radpack**
 - ❖ **Pandemic Influenza Antiviral Distribution**

Areas of Opportunity and Need for Primary Care Providers

Volunteer—Volunteer—Volunteer--Volunteer

- DMAT's, VMAT's, DMORT's
- Medical Needs Shelters (State/Local)
- Points Of Dispensing (Local)
- Alternate Care Facilities (Triage, Acute Care, Recovery) (State/Local)
- Preventative Services, Patient follow-up and education (Local)

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- Medical Reserve Corps (State/Local)
- NDMS – (Federal)



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Questions?