

Preble County  
General Health District

Emergency Response Plan

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PREBLE COUNTY GENERAL HEALTH DISTRICT  
EMERGENCY RESONSE PLAN

EMERGENCY SUPPORT FUNCTION

ESF 8 (ANNEX H & I)

PUBLIC HEALTH & MEDICAL SERVICES

**PRIMARY AGENCY:** Preble County General Health District (PCGHD)

**SUPPORT AGENCIES:** Dayton Area Chapter of the American Red Cross  
Preble County Board of Developmental Disabilities (PCBDD)  
Preble County Council on Aging (PCCOA)  
Preble County EMS Agencies  
Preble County Law Enforcement Agencies  
Ohio Environmental Protection Agency-Southwest District Office  
Preble County Coroner's Office  
Preble County Fire Chief's Association  
Preble County Mental Health and Recovery Board (PCMHRB)  
Preble County Prosecutor's Office  
West Central Ohio (WCO) Regional Medical Response System (RMRS)

## I. INTRODUCTION

### A. Purpose

Emergency Support Function ESF 8 (ANNEX-H and I), Public Health and Medical Services provides the mechanism for coordinated local resources in response to public health and medical care needs, to include veterinary and/or animal health issues when they impact human health, based on all hazards, both natural and intentional. Public Health and Medical Services include responding to medical needs associated with mental health, behavioral health, and substance abuse consideration of incident victims and response workers. Services also cover the medical needs of members of the "at risk" or "special needs" population described in the Pandemic and All Hazards Preparedness Act and in the National Response Framework (NRF). It includes a population whose members may have medical and other functional needs before, during, and after an incident.

Public Health and Medical Services includes behavioral health needs consisting of both mental health and substance abuse considerations for incident victims and response workers and as appropriate, medical needs groups defined by the PCGHD as individuals in need of additional medical response assistance and veterinary and/or animal health issues.

## **B. Scope**

ESF 8 (ANNEX-H) is coordinated by the Preble County General Health District. County level ESF 8(ANNEX-H) resources can be activated upon request of the Preble County Emergency Management Agency (EMA) when local public health resources are needed to support local disaster response activities.

ESF 8 (ANNEX-H) addresses the following concerns for the Preble County during disasters:

1. Assessment of health and medical needs
2. Public health disease surveillance, prevention and control
3. Monitoring of the availability and utilization of health systems' assets
4. Provision of public health and medical-related services, supplies and personnel
5. Identification of areas where public health problems could occur
6. Public health recommendations and notification to the public
7. Consultation on potential health hazards and medical problems
8. Assistance and support for mass casualty and mass fatality incidents
9. Coordination with local, state and federal partners
10. Public health citizen preparedness, Isolation and Quarantine

## **II. SITUATION**

- A. This plan is to serves the entire Preble County population across the life span. Resources and service coordination during an event will address not only the population in general, but also populations with special needs. These populations will include but will not be limited to senior citizens, people with disabilities, people with special medical or dietary needs, people with limited socio-economic resources, people who are non-English speaking, and pregnant women, children and infants.
- B. Disasters occurring in the Preble County typically impact community health standards and typically require a public health response. Waste water, solid waste, potable water, air quality, health supplies and public health services are commonly affected. This necessitates public health advisories and interventions including disease control measures. Communities may become overwhelmed addressing the medical needs of disaster victims.
- C. Disasters impact the provision of health services in community health settings and hospitals. Providers in these settings will be called upon to provide health services to the affected population in accordance with any advisories issued. In addition, providers will be tasked with providing general information to public health officials about the health status of the population they serve (i.e., disease reporting, syndromic surveillance and specimen submission).
- D. Chemical, biological, radiological, or nuclear (CBRN) disasters may lead to secondary events that could seriously impact communities and overwhelm state and local public health response organizations.

- E. During an event involving hazardous materials, the lead agencies of ESF 8(ANNEX-H) will ensure that response activities that overlap the two ESFs are coordinated and lead responsibilities are determined for all participating agencies.
- F. PCGHD provides countywide public health services and coordination.
- G. PCGHD has first-line responsibility for response to public health-related emergencies, except for chemical and radiological events. If PCGHD is overwhelmed during emergencies, PCGHD may request state support from ESF 8 through the State Emergency Operations Center (Ohio EOC).
- H. WCO RMRS provides regional coordination for emergency medical needs in WCO and will coordinate requests for medical assistance from PCGHD during emergencies.
- I. PCGHD in collaboration with local and regional EMS has primary responsibility for delivering public health emergency response activities related to emergency medical response and mass fatality services. Local EMS units are primarily located in local fire departments. EMS units may also be privately or publicly owned, or operated by law enforcement or military organizations.
- J. PCGHD, in coordination with local support agencies, will ensure access to public health and medical care for the affected population.
- K. In a large-scale Chemical, Biological, Nuclear (CBNRE) disaster which may overwhelm and deplete the Local and Regional medical resources and affect large populations in Ohio, the Health Commissioner of the PCGHD will recommend that the Director of Preble County EMA requests the Strategic National Stockpile (SNS) from the State of Ohio. The PCGHD is the lead agency for the request, deployment, receipt, stage, store and transportation of the SNS assets received from the State of Ohio to local PODs and local agencies throughout Preble County. The PCGHD Mass Prophylaxis Plan ANNEX D provides guidance on SNS request, receipt, storage, security, distribution, and transportation.
- L. PCGHD is responsible to dispense/vaccinate identified populations.
- M. The WCO Mass Fatality Management & Response Team will be activated if an incident that results in Mass Fatalities and will provide support to Preble County coroners regarding the identification and disposition of the deceased

### **III. ASSUMPTIONS**

- A. PCGHD will notify ODH of the status of local health emergencies and the need for assistance.
- B. Emergency events may render PCGHD inoperable.

- C. Although a primary hazardous event may not initiate a public health emergency, secondary events stemming from the initial event such as CBRN may do so.
- D. PCEMA will notify Ohio EMA of emergencies in Preble County.
- E. Disruption of sanitation services and facilities, loss of power and massing of people in shelters may increase the potential for disease and injury.
- F. A disaster may exceed the resources of PCGHD and medical community. Regional, state, and federal resources may be required.
- G. Requests for support will be coordinated through PCEMA.
- H. PCGHD enters into MOU/MOA with local and regional private, governmental and non-governmental entities for emergency public health and medical response support.

#### **IV. CONCEPT OF OPERATIONS**

##### **A. Overview – Public Health Functions**

1. Preble County EMA will notify Primary and Support organizations for ESF 8 (ANNEX-H) when an event requires their presence in the Preble County EOC.
2. The Preble County General Health District (PCGHD) is the lead agency for ESF 8 (ANNEX-H). PCGHD liaison will be available for consultation by phone, email, MARCS Radio to communicate with the Preble County EOC or PCGHD may have a liaison at the Preble County EOC if staff is available to coordinate with PCGHD emergency response operations with ESF 8 (ANNEX-H) support organizations at the EOC to answer the needs of affected communities.

These needs may include the following.

- a. Public health assessments of conditions at the site of the emergency to determine health needs and priorities.
- b. Population surveillance and investigations to determine disease patterns and potential disease outbreaks and implement prevention and control strategies.
- c. Logistic and administrative support for PCGHD personnel in the field.
- d. Coordination among various health organizations at the site of the emergency.
- e. Supply, restocking, and prioritization of health-related equipment and supplies.
- f. Assess and make recommendations concerning the public health needs of emergency responders.

- g. Provision of behavioral health assistance to disaster victims and responders.
  - h. Provision of public health advisories and related information to the general public.
  - i. Assistance in assessing potable water and wastewater/solid waste disposal issues and coordination to provide potable water and wastewater/solid waste disposal equipment.
3. Activities of emergency medical units in Preble County are directed by fire chiefs when the units are attached to fire departments and by the owners/operators of private or government-owned companies.
  4. First responders at the scene coordinate EMS and request county and regional assistance through the PCEMA.
  5. PC EMA reports to the State Emergency Operation Center (Ohio EOC) and requests regional and state emergency assistance from the Ohio EOC. The PCEMA will coordinate with ESF 8 (ANNEX-H) representative for the PCGHD report to Ohio EOC and assistance request from the Ohio EOC. In coordination with the PCEMA, PCGHD may report directly to Ohio Department of Health Emergency Operation Center (ODH EOC) and request assist from the ODH EOC.
  6. The County Coroner has jurisdiction over the deceased and is responsible for setting up temporary morgues and coordinating with the Ohio Funeral Directors Association when necessary.
  7. Hospital and other medical care facilities requiring regional and state assistance coordinate their requests through the PCEMA.

## B. Phases of Emergency Management

Emergency management operations are carried out within four distinct phases: mitigation, preparedness, response, and recovery.

1. **Mitigation:** Mitigation includes actions that are taken before or after an emergency to eliminate or reduce the long-term risk to human life and property from natural, technological, and civil hazards. The goals of mitigation activities are to protect people and property and to reduce the costs of response and recovery operations.
2. **Preparedness:** Preparedness is pre-emergency activities that assure that designated organizations will effectively respond to emergencies. Emergency management for preparedness involves four primary activities: training, exercising, planning, and resource identification and acquisition.
3. **Response:** Response is actions taken to during or directly after an emergency to save lives, to minimize damage to property and enhance the effectiveness of recovery. Response begins

with when an emergency event is imminent or immediately after an event occurs. Response encompasses all activities taken to save lives and reduce damage from the event.

4. Recovery: Recovery is post-emergency short-term activities that return infrastructure systems at the site of an incident to minimum operating standards and long-term activities designed to return the site to normal operations. Recovery begins right after the emergency.

C. Relationships among Levels of Government

- a. ESF 8 (ANNEX-H) organizations maintain a working relationship throughout emergency response and recovery operations to ensure that emergency public health needs are identified, assessed, prioritized and addressed.
- b. ESF 8 (ANNEX-H) organizations will coordinate with ESF 8( ANNEX-H ) organizations from other counties when required during emergencies. In particular, PCGHD will coordinate with adjacent counties.
- c. Local-level emergency requests for state public health resources and services communicated to the Ohio EOC will be directed to ESF 8 (ANNEX-H) personnel for action.
- d. Local requests for ESF 8 (ANNEX-H) assistance will be referred to the appropriate state agency through the Ohio Department of Health.
- e. The Comparison Chart for ESF 8 (ANNEX-H) Organizations, below, lists the organizations in the federal and state ESF 8. When there are comparable organizations at local level, they will be listed in the chart or special circumstances will be referenced in the footnotes. This is to ensure that all organizations have the proper interface when activated during Presidential declarations of emergencies.

| Comparison Chart for ESF 8 (ANNEX-H & I) Organizations  |   |   |
|---|---|---|
| Local Organizations   | State Organizations   | Federal Organizations   |
| PCGHD<br>Preble County EMS Agencies<br>Preble County Mental Health & Recovery Board<br>Preble County Board of Developmental Disabilities<br>WCO Regional Medical Response System (RMRS)<br>Preble County Council on Aging | Ohio Department of Health<br>Div. of Emergency Medical Services<br>Ohio Dept of Mental Health<br>Dept of Developmental Disabilities<br>Dept of Alcohol and Drug Addiction Services<br>Ohio Medical Transportation Board | U.S. Department of Health and Human Services<br><br><br><br><br><br><br>U.S. Depart of Transportation |
| American Red Cross, Dayton Area Chapter   | None  | The National American Red Cross   |
| Preble County Law Enforcement Agencies  | Ohio Adjutant General’s Dept<br>Ohio National Guard (ONG)<br>Ohio State Highway Patrol  | U.S. Dept of Defense  |

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| Preble County Commissioners   | Dept of Administrative Services                                       | General Services Administration           |
| *   | Ohio Dept of Agriculture  | U.S Dept of Agriculture                   |
| Preble County Fire Chiefs Association                               | Ohio Dept of Commerce<br>State Fire Marshal's Office                  | U.S. Dept of Homeland Security            |
| Ohio EPA-South West District Office                                 | Ohio Environmental Protection Agency                                  | U.S. EPA                                  |
| Preble County Coroner's Office<br>Preble County Prosecutor's Office | Ohio Funeral Director's Association<br>Ohio Attorney General's Office | U.S. Dept of Justice                      |
| *   | *   | U.S. Dept of Energy                       |
| *   | *   | U.S. Dept of the Interior                 |
| *   | *   | U.S. Dept of Labor                        |
| *   | *   | U.S. Dept of State                        |
| *   | *   | U.S. Dept of Veterans Affairs             |
| *   | *   | U.S. Agency for International Development |
| Local Post Office   | *   | U.S. Postal Service                       |

\* There is no comparable organization at this level to coordinate with the organization(s) listed for other levels of government.

## **V. DIRECTION AND CONTROL**

A. EOC Activation: Health Commissioner or its designee reports to the EOC upon activation of the EOC to coordinate public health related response activities, to advise decision-makers, and to coordinate with other ESF.

## **VI. ORGANIZATION AND ASSIGNMENT OF RESPONSIBILITIES**

A. ESF 8 (ANNEX-H) organizations will be activated by Preble County EMA for assessment, response, and recovery operations based on the needs of the emergency or disaster. Primary and Support Agencies for the county's public health and emergency medical services functions will coordinate with each other in the Preble County EOC and in the Department Operation Center (DOC) to ensure the most effective use of personnel and equipment, to avoid redundant activities and to cooperate on emergency health and medical missions.

B. Assignment of Responsibility

### ***1. Preble County General Health District (PCGHD)***

- A. The Health Commissioner or designee plans and coordinates all public health services on a daily basis and is responsible for directing operational response of the health district personnel during a major emergency.
- B. The Preble County Board of Health sets policy and oversees the operations of the district. The board may assign additional program responsibilities to individuals as required.

### **Health Commissioner**

- a. Provide direction and control and transfer of authority for health activities during emergency.
- b. Conduct health assessments of conditions in the communities affected by the emergency and, where possible, determine where public health problems could occur.
- c. Determine the scope and severity of public health impacts of the incident.
- d. Prioritize the public health response activities based on the public health incident assessment.
- e. Establish public health incident response objectives based on the scope and severity of public health impact of the incident.
- f. Coordinate county response to health problems at the Preble County EOC throughout assessment and response.
- g. Coordinate health recovery efforts at the DOC as needed.
- h. Establish place of assembly, communication, staff and volunteer identification, credentialing and staff assignment.
- i. Maintain liaison with all emergency response support organizations including volunteer organization.
- j. Implement the public health emergency response annex as necessary.
- k. Develop resource plans for the provision of health services, including POD site.
- l. Provide appropriate information to PIO on protective measures to be taken by the public.
- m. Ensure physiological and psychological health and safety of internal and external emergency response staff during response period.
- n. Approve public health advisories and media release.
- o. May suspend routine public health services during emergencies.

- p. Authorize emergency purchase of supplies and equipment.
- q. Ensure the preservation of vital records.

### **Medical Director**

- a. Plan for syndromic and epidemiological surveillance of biological disease agents and coordinate emergency response activities with hospitals, physician's offices, and medical care facilities.
- b. Serve as the medical advisor providing guidance on emergency response activities, community education, and mass prophylaxis operations.

### **Environmental Health Division**

- a. Evaluate possible health risks with a hazard and recommend corrective measures.
- b. Provide information on household and public building clean up, disposal, re-entry, and reclaiming of household items.
- c. Inspect foods, water, and other consumables for purity, usability, and quality control.
- d. Coordinate with the water, public works, or sanitation departments to ensure the availability of safe portable drinking water and a satisfactory means of sewage disposal, sanitary garbage disposal, and repair of flooded plumbing and sewage systems.
- e. Provide recommendation for household sewage disposal, housing sanitation, vector control, and public health nuisances.
- f. Monitor food handling; ensure a safe food supply, mass feeding and sanitation services in emergency facilities, including increased attention to sanitation in commercial food services facilities.
- g. Ensure adequate sanitary facilities are provided in emergency shelters and point of dispensing site.
- h. Implement actions to prevent or control vectors such as flies, mosquitoes and rodents.
- i. Consult veterinarians to prevent the spread of disease through animals and provide recommendation for the disposal of the deceased animals.

### **Nursing Division**

- a. Establish preventive health services, including control of communicable diseases.
- b. Implement and direct mass vaccination and dispensing operations at the POD site.

- c. Communicate and coordinate operational needs at POD to DOC.
- d. Direct setting up of POD site and communicate appropriate information to public health officials.
- e. Assure notification of the incident to the ODH, local healthcare providers, and LHD in WCO region.
- f. Coordinate joint investigations of the incident with law enforcement as needed.
- g. Assure compliance with ODH Infectious Disease Control Manual and Centers for Disease Control and Prevention guidelines for outbreak investigation and HIPPA.
- h. Provide public health related emergency medical response activities such as vaccination, mass prophylaxis and emergency response activities.
- i. Support the delivery of non-emergency health care programs by local support agencies throughout the emergency.
- j. Provide pharmaceuticals, medical equipment and supplies as needed to local business and agencies during the emergency.

#### **Health Education/Health Information Division**

- a. Conduct epidemiologic surveillance, case investigations, mapping, and follow up.
- b. Coordinate epidemiologic surveillance and investigation with LHDs in WCO region and ODH.
- c. Maintain ongoing human health surveillance of affected communities in order to rapidly identify and coordinate public health medical response activities.
- d. Coordinate health education activities with local public and private response agencies.
- e. Coordinate logistics for general and mass emergency immunization or quarantine procedures.
- f. Establish public health information hotline for health care providers and the public.
- g. Ensure redundant communication systems are operational to ensure interoperable communication with local and state emergency response agencies.
- h. Provide early warning and notification to the public and emergency response staff using Preble County PAS 119 notification system.
- i. Provide public health media briefings within 3 hours as needed.

- j. Keep health district website up-to-date with current public health information.

## ***2. Dayton Area Chapter of the American Red Cross***

- a. Coordinate with regional agencies regarding health and mental health issues in shelters, Service Centers, Outreach Teams, Emergency Assistance Teams (EAS) and Integrated Care Teams (ICT).
- b. Provide emergency first aid and preventative health services to people affected by disasters in shelters, Service Centers, Outreach Teams, Integrated Care Teams, and Emergency Aid Centers in designated safe zones.
- c. Observe persons in shelters for signs/symptoms of possible exposure to any known contaminants during a Weapon of Mass Destruction (WMD) event and ensure they receive proper medical care.
- d. Distribute public health/mental health information to persons affected by disasters.
- e. Provide health services and mental health support at Family Reception Centers and Respite Centers in designated safe zones.
- f. Assist people affected by disasters by facilitating connections with public health, medical, and mental health agencies to coordinate services ARC shelters, service centers, emergency aid stations, and on outreach teams.

## ***3. Preble County Law Enforcement Agencies***

- b. Coordinate with other law enforcement agencies in County and adjacent Counties.
- d. Provide security during delivery of medication and medical supplies to a POD
- e. Provide traffic safety and control support for medical service operations at POD during emergencies.
- f. Provide site security support for local EMS teams and health care operation at POD
- g. Assist with patient movement as needed.

## ***4. Preble County Mental Health and Recovery Board***

- a. Coordinate the activities necessary to provide the staff, supplies and resources to provide alcohol and drug addiction services and treatments to victims suffering from disaster-related drug and alcohol abuse-related disorders.
- b. Coordinate the activities necessary to provide the staff, supplies and resources to treat victims suffering from disaster-related mental disorders.

- c. Coordinate and monitor the Preble County behavioral health activities to address victim needs and to provide appropriate interventions.
- d. Provide behavioral health clinical consultation services to Preble County EOC staff.

**5. *Preble County Fire Chiefs Association***

- a. Assist with the activation of the Preble County Fire Chiefs' Association Emergency Response Plan/MOU/MOA.
- b. Assist in providing resources to local fire-based EMS.

**6. *Preble County Board of Developmental Disabilities***

- a. Provides the supports necessary to assist PCGHD in providing for the emergency needs of individuals with intellectually and/or developmentally disabled emergency victims.

**7. *Preble County EMS Agencies***

- a. Provide representatives in the Preble County EOC to coordinate local requests for EMS assistance during emergencies.
- b. Collaborate with the PCGHD on ongoing medical surveillance of affected communities in order to rapidly identify and address emergency medical problems.
- c. Support public health emergency medical response activities by providing medical services and supplies in collaboration with RMRS and Preble County EMA.
- d. Coordinate with Ohio ESF #8 when Ohio medical assistance is activated for Preble County.
- e. Coordinate with RMRS requesting activation of medical assistance from Ohio EMS.
- f. Provide briefing information in the Preble EOC on countywide emergency medical activities.
- g. Provide assessments of medical needs in the affected communities.
- h. Support mass fatality management efforts in affected communities.
- i. Provide medical-related information to the public.
- j. Provide research and consultation on emergency medical problems as needed.
- k. Assist in the identification, purchase and delivery of needed medicines, medical supplies and services during emergencies.

### ***8. Ohio Environmental Protection Agency- Southwest District Office***

- a. Coordinate drinking water, waste disposal and environmental safety information with local and state health departments.
- b. Provide a listing of laboratories offering microbiological, organic and inorganic analysis.

### ***9. WCO Regional Medical Response System/Dayton MMRS***

- a. Provide regional coordination as requested for public safety during a medical or public health emergency in WCO.
- b. Coordinate request for EMS assistance from Preble County EMA/PCGHD during emergency.
- c. Provide decontamination and mass casualty equipment, caches of antidotes, antibiotics, and respiratory Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) for public safety.

### ***10. Preble County Coroner's Office***

- a. Coordinate activation of regional and state mortuary response team during mass fatality incident.

### ***11. Preble County Prosecutor's Office***

- a. Provide legal guidance to the Health Commissioner.

### ***12. Preble County Council on Aging***

- a. Assist the PCGHD providing public health emergency education, training, and response activities for elderly population.

## **VII. RESOURCE REQUIREMENTS**

A. ESF 8 (ANNEX-H) organizations maintain organizational Standard Operating Procedures and Resource Listings that document the equipment, supplies, and services available to them during emergencies.

## **VII. PLAN DEVELOPMENT AND MAINTENANCE**

The Public Health Emergency Preparedness Coordinator reviews the PCGHD Emergency Response Plan annually and update as needed. In addition, the plan is reviewed and updated after exercise, emergency, changes to governmental structure and existing statute. The Emergency Preparedness Coordinator works with Support Agencies to review their roles and responsibilities in the PCGHD Emergency Response Plan.

## **VIII. COORDINATION AND APPROVAL**

After all Support Agencies annually review and comment on their roles and responsibilities described in the PCGHD EOP, the Emergency Preparedness Coordinator updates the plan. The EPC reviews the plan with the Support Agencies after the plan is updated, then, submit the final draft to the PCGHD Board for approval.

## **IX. AUTHORITIES AND REFERENCES**

The following are the list of Authorizations and References that provide the PCGHD authorities and guidelines for the allocation and assignment of local resources in response to emergencies.

- a. The Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. Section 5121, et seq
- b. Ohio Revised Code, Sections 5502.21 through 5502.51 and 5502.99, Emergency Management
- c. Ohio Revised Code, Section 3701.03 and 3701.04
- d. National Response Framework, 2007
- e. The National Incident Management System, 2004

## **X. MUTAL AID**

PCGHD maintains mutual aid agreement, Memorandum of Understanding/Agreement (MOU/MOA) with governmental and non-governmental agencies to support public health emergency response activities. The copy of MOU/MOA is maintained at Administrative Office or Emergency Preparedness Coordinator's Office.

## **XI. NIMS ACRONYMS**

The definition and acronyms used in the PCGHD's EOP must be NIMS compliant in order to standardize the terms.

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| ALS    | Advanced Life Support                      |
| DOC    | Department Operations Center               |
| EMAC   | Emergency Management Assistance Compact    |
| EOC    | Emergency Operations Center                |
| EOP    | Emergency Operations Plan                  |
| FOG    | Field Operations Guide                     |
| GIS    | Geographic Information System              |
| HAZMAT | Hazardous Material                         |
| HSPD-5 | Homeland Security Presidential Directive-5 |
| IAP    | Incident Action Plan                       |

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| IC        | Incident Commander                                |
| ICP       | Incident Command Post                             |
| ICS       | Incident Command System                           |
| IC or LIC | Incident Command or Unified Command               |
| IMT       | Incident Management Team                          |
| JIS       | Joint Information Center                          |
| MMRS      | Metropolitan Medical Response System              |
| LNO       | Liaison Officer                                   |
| NDMS      | National Disaster Medical System                  |
| NGO       | Nongovernmental Organization                      |
| NIMS      | National Incident Management System               |
| PCBDD     | Preble County Board of Developmental Disabilities |
| NRP       | National Response Plan                            |
| PCGHD     | Preble County General Health District             |
| PCMHRB    | Preble County Mental Health and Recovery Board    |
| POLREP    | Pollution Report                                  |
| PIO       | Public Information Officer                        |
| PVO       | Private Voluntary Organizations                   |
| R&D       | Research and Development                          |
| RESTAT    | Resource Status                                   |
| RMRS      | Regional Medical Response System                  |
| ROSS      | Resource Ordering and Status System               |
| SDO       | Standard Development Organizations                |
| SITREP    | Situation Report                                  |
| SO        | Safety Officer                                    |
| SOP       | Standard Operating Procedure                      |
| LIC       | Unified Command                                   |
| US&R      | Urban Search and Rescue                           |
| WCO       | West Central Ohio                                 |