

# Big MAC and Shake 2016



## Exercise Summation

On April 20th 2016 a Functional Exercise took place from 0900 to 1600 hours at the Portland Bureau of Emergency Management.

The participants were the Health and Medical Multi-Agency Coordinating Group (H/M MACG) within Oregon Region 1 and Washington Region 4 of the Health Preparedness Program and the Regional Multi-Agency Coordinating Group (RMACG) Agency Administrators (AA) within the five Oregon and Washington counties.

The existing Multi-Agency coordination handbook(s) and Multi-Agency Coordination System (MACS) concept of operations plans were used in part throughout as a tool to assist representing membership of the Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) Region for the Portland metro area. A Support Organization was in place as well to assist both the Regional MAC Group and the Health and Medical Multi-Agency Coordinating Group. Each of the Groups playing had an Exercise Evaluator assigned to them.

The exercise summation does not include suggestions about improvements to the exercise. Those comments about the exercise structure will be applied to the next exercise. Participants and evaluator’s observations recommendation(s) and corrective actions from Appendix D of the Participant Feedback Form, Part 1, are illustrated as follows:

Areas for Future Improvement	Strengths Observed
Regional MAC Group Incident Prioritization Worksheet (IPW) needs revision	The Ethical Framework
Health and Medical Multi-Agency Coordinating Group (H/M MACG) should create a Hospital Incident Prioritization (similar to the IPW...)	Credible experience and input from Evaluators
A type of form is needed from the Counties conveying the consequences if scarce resources are not received	Good interchange and discussions
Regional MAC Group needs a dedicated Public Health Officer	The RMACG worked well together
Health and Medical Multi-Agency Coordinating Group (H/M MACG) and their Support Organization need to clarify who is responsible for obtaining information from Hospitals.	The MAC Group Support Organization did well with few staff
Support Organization needs full staff to support both MAC groups including Documentation positions	Opportunity to work with the Support Organization
MAC Group(s), Support Organization, and ECC staff roles, relationships and responsibilities need more emphasis during trainings	Discussions during resource allocation by the RMACG
MAC Group(s) Agency Representatives <b>MUST</b> attend M-480	The MAC Group Coordinators

Areas for Future Improvement	Strengths Observed
Regional MAC Group Agency Representatives and Alternates need to be identified, selected, and trained	Problem solving by the MAC Group
Regional MAC Group Agency Representatives and Alternates need to obtain delegations of authority	The MAC Group Handbooks (comment from both MAC Groups)
Both MAC groups need example(s) of a Daily MAC Group Schedule	Incident Prioritization Worksheet for the RMACG
Both MAC groups need an example of the MAC Group Meetings Schedule	
Assistance is needed in order to obtain delegation(s) of authority from multiple Agencies	
Increase frequency of exercise(s) (2-4 hr. trainings or short tabletops) for <u>all Groups</u> involved	
Ethical Framework must be part of the decision making process	
The two MAC Groups need to schedule their meeting at different times if they are being supported only by one support organization	
Groups need to affirm clear consensus	
Have pre made wall sized forms available for the support organization	
More special training for MACC, support organization, AREPS	
Understanding of how H-M MAC Group and RMACG relate to each other	