



WARREN COUNTY EPR/LEPC COMMITTEE

1340 State Route 9, Lake George, NY 12845: www.WarrenCountyNY.gov

Public Health Emergency Response and Preparedness Committee/LEPC MEETING MINUTES

July 29, 2026 @ 9:00am

Introductions:

Meeting was called to order at 9:12am by Dan Durkee. This meeting continues to be hybrid with in-person attendance being held in the Municipal Center Conference Room

Attendees:

Combs, Joe	Northern GI
Coughlin, Robert	Red Cross/COAD
DiLorenzo, Corey	NYS Public Health
Durkee, Dan	Warren County Public Health
Durkin, James	CISA/DHS
James, Donald	AuxComm/Red Cross
Lewis, Michael K	NY State Troopers
Lloyd, Mallory	Washington County
Maimone, Francesco	EPA
Mason, Ann Marie	Director, Emergency Services
Lehman, Don	Warren County Public Affairs
Martin, Connor	HHHN
Jennifer Ramsey	Emergency Services Coordinator
Ressel, Sean	DHSES
Rivers, Ashley	Deputy Director, Emergency Services
Schrammel, Jaime	OES Hazmat
Stebbins, Laura	Glens Falls Hospital
Susan Sylvia	Warren County Public Health
Vaisey, Wendell	SUNY ADK Public Safety
Watters, Jay	SUNY ADK Public Safety

1.) Francesco Maimone – EPA Region 2, Air Compliance Branch, Regulatory Requirements:

EPA Region 2 presentation on the Risk Management Program (RMP), covering regulatory requirements, facility universe in Warren County, and LEPC coordination obligations.

- Francesco opened his presentation with sending Kudos to Ann Marie Mason who has been an excellent partner with him and his team
- The focus of his presentation was to emphasize the need for the continued partnership with all the local community departments and how EPA and these departments can work together as a team.
- He explained his and his team's responsibilities.
- RMP database: Facilities submit their RMPs to EPA electronically. On EPA's end, they access those RMPs and run reports that give results by county. These types of items can be coordinated through the EPA if requested/.
- Attached please find Francesco's PowerPoint Presentation



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Email: R2_RMP@epa.gov or Maimone.Francesco@epa.gov

Member Updates:

2.) Glens Falls Hospital 2nd Quarter Review, Updates and Available Training – Laura Stebbins



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- **Education and Training May-August**
 - 5/19 Smoke demonstration and Med Sled evacuation equipment demonstration. Focus on fire prevention and C in RACE (Rescue, Alarm, Close doors/Contain, Evacuate/Extinguish). Rehab staff received Med Sled training.
 - 5/21 Person with weapon at Evergreen Medical Center drill
 - 6/5 Missing infant drill
 - 6/16 Person with a weapon TTX at Moreau Lab (GFH & HHHN to plan drill)
 - 6/25 System IT ransomware TTX
 - 7/1-7/30 Severe weather warnings from NWS & DOH (thunderstorms, high winds/tornado, wildfire)
 - 7/21 EMS Extrication webinar –Medically Directed Rescue
 - 7/22 Measles “road show” for off campus sites July-August
 - 7/23 Surgical Services fire/evacuation drill
 - 8/5 Safe Pediatric Transport for EMS class
 - 8/30 Annual EP and PWW modules for all staff

- Connor Martin HHHN and GFH partnering on the drills and exercises
- **Ebola Preparedness**
 - Ebola Annex developed in 2014-reviewed/revised annually
 - Annual Ebola drills since 2014
- 2026**
 - 3/29 Ebola drill in ED
 - Purchase of new PAPRs (Powered Air-Purifying Respirator) revised checklist
 - 5/28 Clinical Practice Alert to staff
 - Signage at hospital and off campus points of entry
 - 6/1 DOH PPE supply survey
 - 6/1 Opened (2) Airborne Infection Isolation Rooms (AIIR)/negative pressure in ED
 - 6/23 Ebola tabletop with response leaders and Public Health & OES partners
- **Preparedness Activities Upcoming**
 - Mass gatherings –Schools open in September, Balloon Festival, World’s Largest Garage Sale, Oktoberfest
 - **9/24** Annual Pediatric Emergency Preparedness Seminar-UAlbany
 - Develop series of 1-hour pediatric workshop/TTX for HEPC & EMS
 - Chempack exercise
 - Person with a weapon exercise with HHHN at Moreau
- **Glens Falls Hospital Monthly Tabletop Exercises,**
 - **August 19th** - Fire in Wound Care
 - **September 16th** – Chemical Exposure
 - **October 21st** – Disease Outbreak in a School
 - **November 18th** – Northeast Power Outage.
 - All TTX’s begin at 12:00pm and unless otherwise noted are held in the hospital’s community room.
 - Contact Laura Stebbins for additional details
- **Regional Updates:**
 - HEPC (Healthcare Emergency Preparedness Coalition) developing Chempack workgroup. LS to co-chair. Family Reunification Center work group and Pediatric workgroup to continue in 2027.
 - DOH approving the Pediatric & Obstetrical Toolkit revisions.
 - AMC –System Ransomware IT Project 2026-2027
 - Saratoga –Special Pathogens Grant: PPE, biocontainment unit, POC testing, EMS transport agreements in development

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3.) James Durkin – DHS – Discussions/Training available for Free:

The Department of Homeland Security/CISA is offering services to historically regulated companies. I have attached what we can offer. Please reach out if interested in any assistance. All of the services are voluntary and are created to assist your company in all aspects for safe operation.

Some of the things I can discuss that we provide for FREE.

- **Assist Visits | CISA**- These visits are a cornerstone of the voluntary outreach effort to critical infrastructure owners and operators. An Assist Visit, conducted by Protective Security Advisors (PSAs) with critical infrastructure facility representatives. They work to establish and enhance the DHS relationship with critical infrastructure owners and operators, inform them of the importance of their facility, provide an overview of the CISA resources available to the facility to enhance security and resilience. During an Assist Visit, we focus on coordination, outreach, training, and education. Assist Visits are often followed by security surveys or Security Assessment at First Entry (SAFE) visits.
- **Security Assessment at First Entry | CISA** - The Security Assessment at First Entry (SAFE), is a stand-alone assessment, featuring standard language, high level vulnerabilities, and options for consideration. It is designed to assess current security posture and produce a report in under two hours.
- **ChemLock**- The ChemLock program for facilities with chemical holdings offers a tailored visit by chemical security subject matter experts and can range from a security awareness consultation, to a security posture assessment or a security planning visit.
- **Subscribe to Updates from CISA | CISA**. These notifications ensure that folks know when we've added new Known Exploited Vulnerabilities to our catalog, released Indicators of Compromise (IOCs) or malware analysis reports, or issued a joint advisory with FBI and/or our partners in the intelligence community or overseas.
- **Cyber Security Evaluation Tool (CSET)(Publicly Available)**: is a stand-alone desktop application that guides asset owners and operators through a systematic process of evaluating Operational Technology and Information Technology. It contains about 60 different assessments. Some of the more popular assessments are the Cybersecurity Performance Goals (CPG) which has 38 questions, the Ransomware Readiness Assessment (RRA) which has 48 questions, and the new Incident Management Review (IMR) which has 88 questions. You can complete these on your own or James would be happy to stop by and run thru them with you.
 - CSET is available at <https://github.com/cisagov/cset/releases> .
 - Feel free to let me know if you have any questions or would like jump on a call and answer any of the questions together.
- **CISA Services Portal**: CISA provides a secure means for constituents and partners to report incidents, phishing attempts, malware sample analysis, and vulnerabilities (IT and/or OT).
 - To submit a report, please sign in method in the link
 - Training | CISA – This is a link to many FREE trainings CISA offers.
 - <https://www.cisa.gov/resources-tools/training>

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4.) **Dan Durkee, Public Health Updates:**

- Dan mentioned that Sandra LeBarron wasn't able to join but wanted to mention Finch Pruyn is no longer going to make their own pulp, cutting down on the number of or the amount of chemicals that they have:
 - Nitrosaminium will no longer be used
- Family Assistance Center (need to set up an account with DHSES to register) October 20th – 21st Time: 8:00 am - 5:00 pm Location: Warren County Municipal Center, 1340 State Route 9, Lake George, NY 12845 For Course Description/Registration: [Family Assistance Center \(NYS-FAC\)](#) – Highly recommend
- Citizens Preparedness Course – October 1 and 2 in the Warren County Human Resources Building.
An event flyer is attached. Please be aware that anyone who wants to attend this event must register online using the link below or by visiting our website and locating the event on the training calendar: <https://www.dhses.ny.gov/citizen-preparedness-training-calendar>
Registration Link:
<https://pspapps.dhses.ny.gov/CitizenPreparednessCorps/views/registrant/add.xhtml?lang=en&eventId=809>
- ***See Ann Marie Mason for further information.***



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- Outreach events:
 - Senior Fall Festival – September 24
 - Suicide Prevention and Prevention Walk – September 9
- Other Public Health Issues:
 - Rabies – reports of a possible rabid Beaver
 - Food parasites – lettuce – locally have not had any reported cases in NY

5.) **Rob Coughlin – COAD – Community Organizations Assisting in Disaster Chair: Red Cross**

- There is a national blood crisis, please give blood or if you want to sponsor a blood drive, contact the local Red Cross or Rob
- COADs are best practices adopted by FEMA and DSHS

Contact Information for Rob Coughlin, Red Cross & COAD

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Remaining 2026 Tentative Meeting Dates

October 28th

Meeting closed at 10:37am

Minutes submitted by:

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Warren County OES

August 17, 2026