



NC Department of Health and Human Services

PHP&R Eastern Regional Office (ERO)

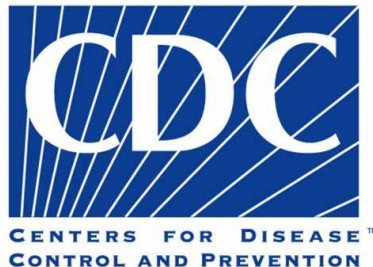
**Public Health Preparedness and Response (PHP&R)
Eastern Regional Office (ERO) Team**

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Who We Are



OVERVIEW



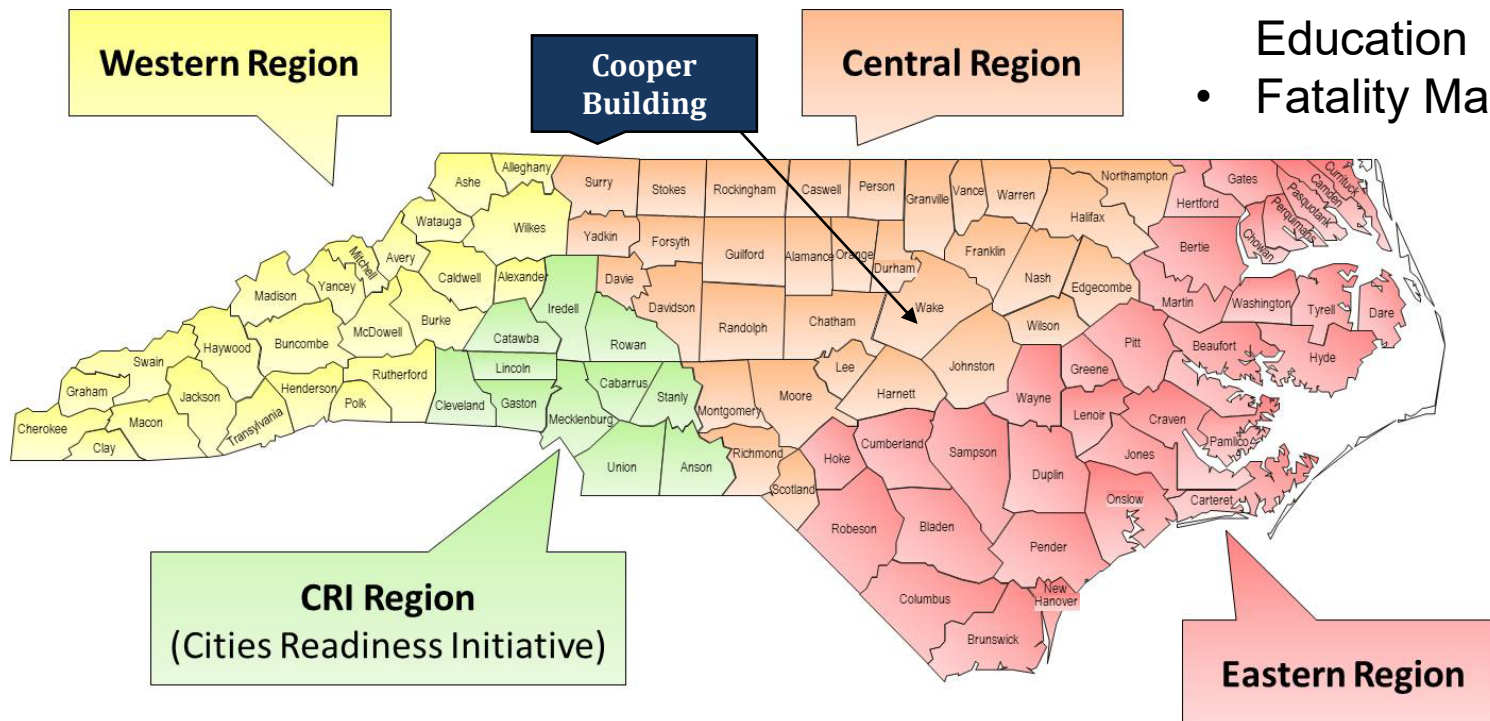
- A branch within the Epidemiology Section of the NC Division of Public Health
- Monitors and strengthens the abilities of our public health and healthcare systems to protect the public's health in disaster situations.
- Funded by the CDC's Public Health Emergency Preparedness Program

PHP&R Mission:

To promote and protect the public's health before, during, and after all-hazards events through an integrated public health preparedness system that is robust, resilient, and scalable.

PHP&R Organizational Units

- Planning, Training, Exercise & Evaluation
- Medical Countermeasures
- Industrial Hygiene
- Business Operations
- Communications & Health Education
- Fatality Management



PHP&R Website: <https://epi.dph.ncdhhs.gov/phpr/>

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What We Do

Primary Duty

To provide technical assistance and support to the local health department preparedness staff and partners.

PHP&R Programs

- **Strategic National Stockpile (SNS)**
- **CHEMPACK**
- **Local Health Department (LHD) Respiratory Protection Program**
- **Communications**
- **Emergency Preparedness and Response Capabilities**
- **Plans, Training, Exercise, and Evaluation Support**

Strategic National Stockpile - Purpose

- **Designed to supplement and re-supply state and local public health agencies during a public health event in which state and local assets have been or will be depleted**
- **To save lives and prevent illness**



What is in the SNS?

- **12-Hour Push Packages**
- **Managed Inventory**
- **Federal Medical Stations**
- **CHEMPACK**



What's a CHEMPACK

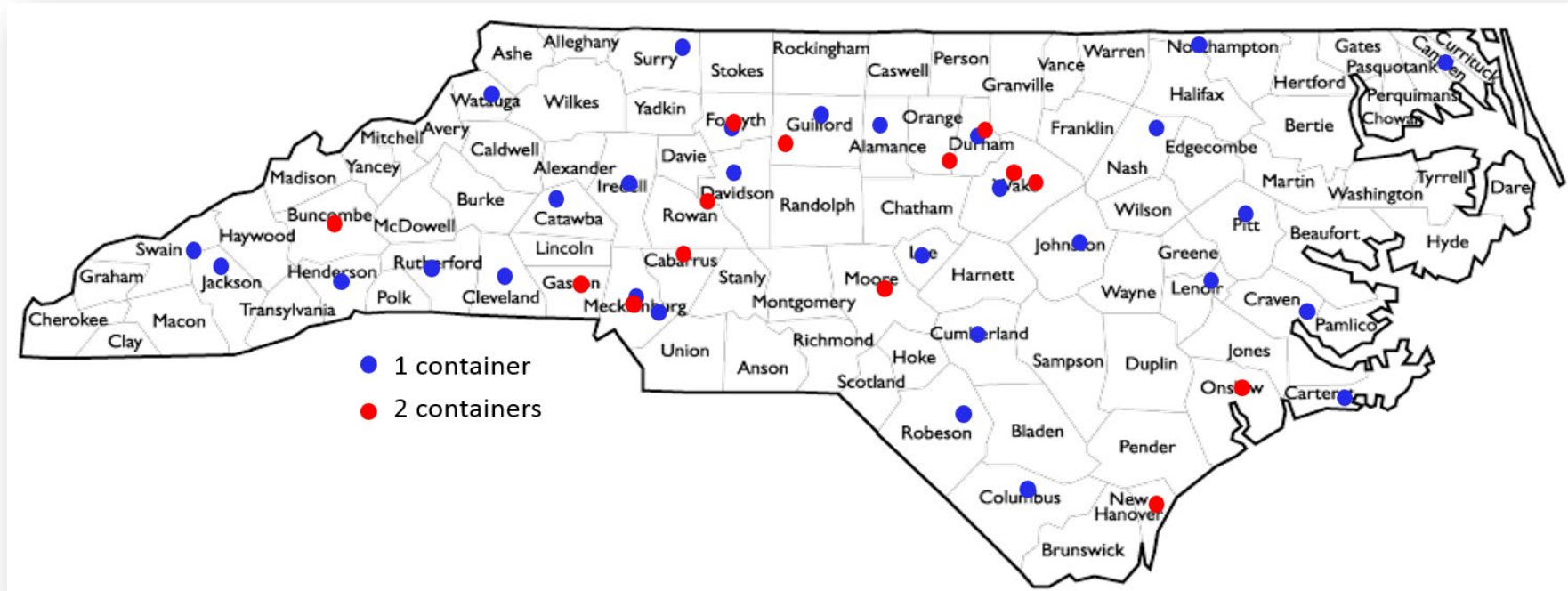
Containers of nerve agent antidotes placed in secure locations in local jurisdictions around the country to allow rapid response to a chemical incidents.



NC CHEMPACK Locations

NC has 57 containers housed in 43 locations

No one is more than 50 miles from a CHEMPACK container



All locations posted at: <https://www.ncmhtd.com/oems/>

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Respiratory Protection

**Respiratory Protection Program
Administrator Training and technical
assistance for local health departments and
long-term care facilities.**





Communications

- **Public Information Officers (PIO) Planning and Training Assistance**
 - [Crisis and Emergency Risk Communications \(CERC\)](#)
- **Telecommunications - Radio Assistance**
- **Health Education**
 - **National Preparedness Month**
<https://www.ready.gov/september>

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Emergency Preparedness Capabilities

SIX DOMAINS OF PREPAREDNESS

The Public Health Emergency Preparedness program works to advance six main areas of preparedness so state and local public health systems are better prepared for emergencies that impact the public's health.



Community Resilience

Preparing for and recovering from emergencies



Countermeasures and Mitigation

Getting medicines and supplies where they are needed



Incident Management

Coordinating an effective response



Surge Management

Expanding medical services to handle large events



Information Management

Making sure people have information to take action



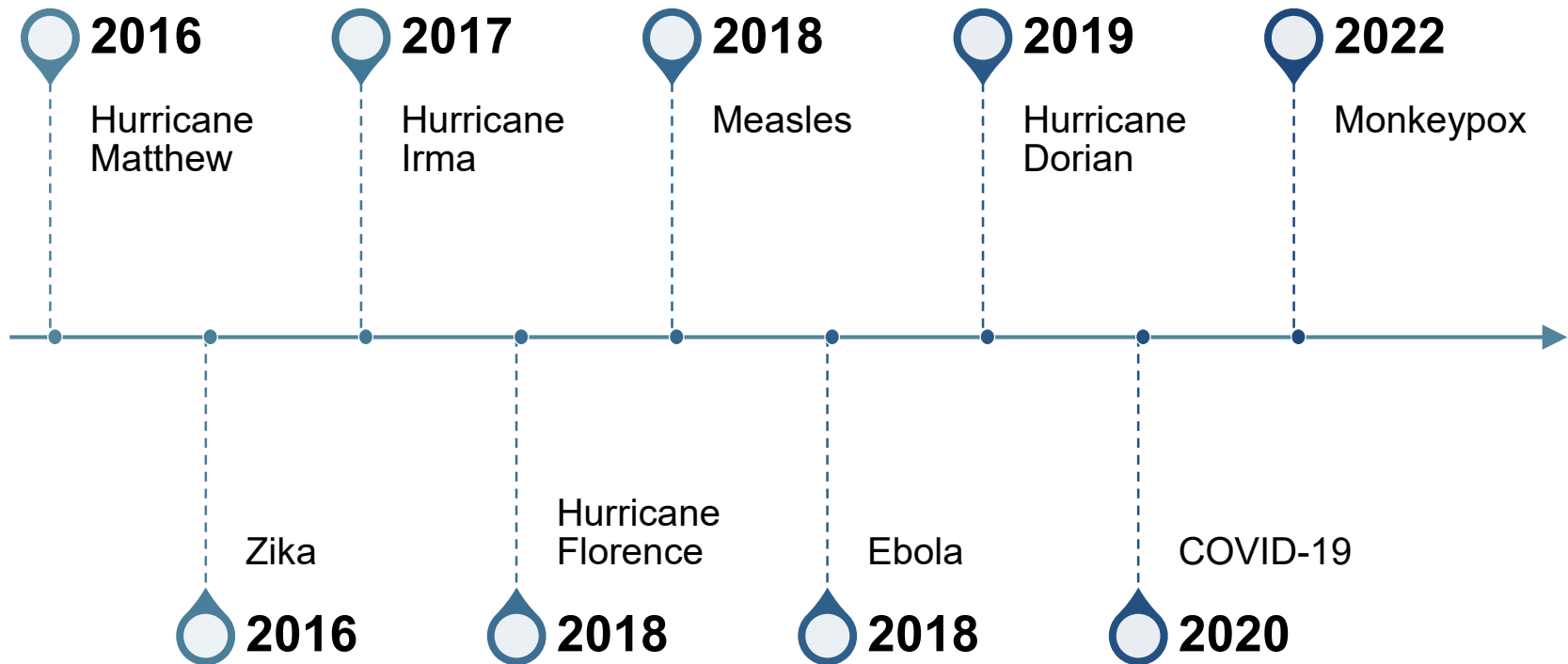
Biosurveillance

Investigating and identifying health threats

www.cdc.gov/phpr/readiness



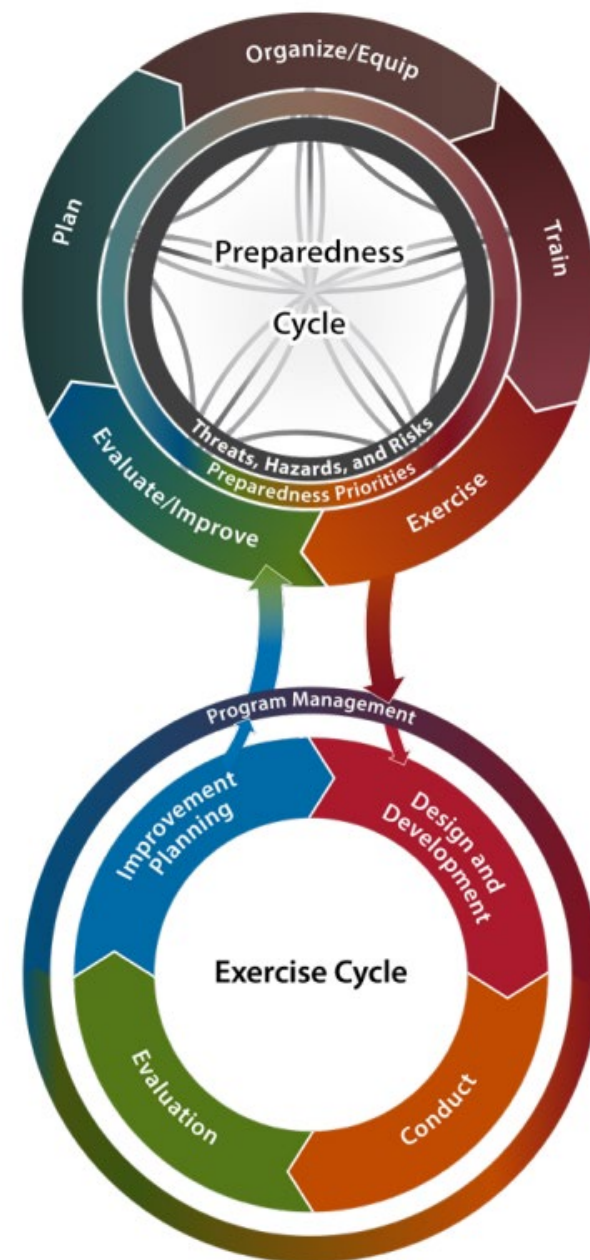
Emergency Response Capabilities



Plans, Training, Exercise, and Evaluation

Homeland Security Exercise and Evaluation Program (HSEEP)

A consistent approach to capabilities-based exercise program management that uses a common methodology to measure progress toward building, sustaining, and delivering core capabilities.



Thank you!

