Regional Full-Scale Exercise Executive Summary

FEBRUARY 2020

Regional FSE Background

The 2019 Regional Full-Scale Exercise was a one-day exercise designed to increase the proficiency of the San Diego Operational Area to respond to mass casualty/ complex coordinated attacks that require a coordinated multi-agency/multi-disciplinary response.

Regional Full-Scale Exercise Date: November 6, 2019

- Two field locations (Legoland and NICUA)
- Operational Area EOC
- Family Assistance Center

Regional FSE Participation

# of **Players** *(across all locations)*	1,000
Total # of **Participants** *(players, staff, volunteers/actors)*	1,200

Total # of Participating Agencies	**72**
# Participating Hospitals	22
# Participating Law Enforcement Agencies	15
# Participating Fire Agencies	14
# Participating Emergency Management Agencies	9
# of Other Participating Agencies	12

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After Action Report & Improvement Plan

- Input gathered from exercise evaluators, participants, post-exercise surveys, hotwashes and in-person interviews.
- Contains analytical outputs distilled into strengths and areas for improvement.
- Corrective actions are outlined in the integrated Improvement Plan.

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MAJOR STRENGTHS

- First responders effectively organized and improvised to overcome coordination and communication challenges.
- Emergency Operations Centers effectively shared information, coordinated public messaging, and addressed key policy decisions affecting each jurisdiction.
- Authorities at all levels considered family assistance and reunification needs.
- The Local Emergency Medical Services Information System (LEMSIS) was successfully activated and used to track patients across healthcare facilities.
- Media engagement and press briefing coordination between jurisdictions was effective.

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PRIMARY AREAS FOR IMPROVEMENT

- Accountability of onsite field responders as well as on-scene victims was limited and difficult to establish.
- Integration and coordination of operational communications was a challenge – regional radio communication resources were leveraged sporadically.
- The Medical Examiner's Office was not engaged by Incident Command or local EOCs for fatality management.
- OAEOC Director was stretched to fulfill concurrent roles, providing guidance/oversight to the OAEOC while also maintaining presence with the Policy Group.
- LEMSIS achieved a 72% entry rate and a variety of input issues occurred.

Regional TTX Planning

ACTION	TENTATIVE DATES
Concept & Objectives Meeting	February 27, 2020
Secure Contractor	Early March
Initial Planning Meeting	March 2020
Mid-Term Planning Meeting	May 2020
Final Planning Meeting	June 2020
Regional TTX	**July 2020**

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