

Emergency Support Function (ESF) # 8

Public Health, Hospital, and Medical Services



Preface

Emergencies may cause the potential to create widespread public health problems and medical emergencies. Providing public health services and pre-hospital and hospital emergency medical care to protect life is an integral part of the City-County's emergency response system.

The purpose of this support function is to provide public health and medical coordination during times of emergency or disaster, and coordinate additional health and medical assistance from local, regional state and federal resources.

Primary Agency

**Butte-Silver Bow Health Department, St. James Healthcare,
A-1 Ambulance**

Emergency Operations Center ESF # 8 – Public Health, Hospital and Medical Services

Purpose:

1. Ensure comprehensive public health during an emergency, including the emergency medical services provided by the Hospital, Ambulance provider, and the Fire Department and Mass Fatality Management is addressed in ESF # 22.
2. Provide public health and medical coordination during times of emergency or disaster and coordinate additional public health and medical assistance from local, regional, state and federal resources.

Primary:

Butte–Silver Bow Health Department Support St James

Healthcare, A-1 Ambulance:

Butte–Silver Bow Public Schools

Fire Departments: Career and Volunteer

911 Communication Center

Law Enforcement Department

Assistance Living Centers

Area Nursing Homes

BSB Coroner’s Office

Private Sector Medical Clinics

Public Works Department

Animal Services

American Red Cross

Community Based Organizations: private, Non-profit, faith based

Community Mental Health Providers

Likely Tasks:

Staff Health Group in the EOC Operations Section Human Services Branch.

Determine condition, status of City-County health resources.

Determine present and future need for health resources.

Obtain, coordinate health resources as requested by field incident commanders, to include Mass Care, Housing & Human Services and shelter sites.

Coordinate Medical Reserve Corp (MRC) activities, if available.

Likely Tasks Continued:

- Coordinate the assessment of general health needs of the affected population, including:
 - Provide for dissemination of emergency public health information.
 - Surveillance and monitoring of conditions that could impact general health.
 - Evaluation of food, drug or medical safety.
 - Assessment of worker health and safety.
 - Identification of biological, chemical, radiological or physiological hazards.
 - Evaluation of mental health of emergency workers and victims
 - Advice on potability of water sources and disposition of solid waste and wastewater.
- Establish, maintain contact with State ECC through the Butte – Silver Bow EOC.
 - Provide information on damages, status of Butte – Silver Bow public health systems.
 - Request additional health resources, as needed.
- Coordinate animal related advisories with the Public Health Department.
 - Provide information and/or services for the disposal of dead animals.
 - Staff EMS Group in the EOC Operations Section Public Safety
 - Assist with medical support for shelters
 - Maintain a list of Emergency Medical resources
 - Activate the communications links between emergency medical resources
 - Provide, coordinate the following resources: ambulance vehicles; Paramedics; EMT’s; emergency medical equipment and supplies; Infection Control Liaison and Information; logistical needs; administrative support;
 - Coordinate assistance to Medical Examiner in victim identification and mortuary services;
 - Determine condition, status of City-County health resources

State of Montana

Primary

- Public Health and Human Services

Support

- MT-VOAD
- Montana Hospital Association
- Department of Environmental Quality
- MT National Guard (DMA)
- Disaster and Emergency Services
- Agriculture
- Livestock
- MT National Guard

Actions:

- Public health
- Medical
- Mental health services
- Mass fatality management

Federal Government

Primary

- Department of Health and Human Services **Support**
- Federal agencies as required. **Actions**
- Provides supplemental assistance in identifying and meeting the public health and medical needs of victims.
- This support is categorized in the following core functional areas:
 - Assessment of public health/medical needs (including behavioral health).
 - Public health surveillance.
 - Medical care personnel.
 - Health/medical equipment and supplies.
 - Patient evacuation.

Actions Continued – Patient care.

- Safety and security of human drugs, biologics, medical devices, and veterinary drugs.
- Blood and blood products.
- Food safety and security.
- Agriculture safety and security.
- Worker health/safety.
- All-hazard public health and medical consultation, technical assistance, and support.
- Behavioral health care.
- Public health and medical information.
- Vector control.
- Potable water/wastewater and solid waste disposal.
- Victim identification/ mortuary services. – Protection of animal health.

Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan

Emergency Support Function # 8

Public Health, Hospital, and Medical Management

Primary Agency: Butte-Silver Public Health Department
St. James Health Care
A-1 Ambulance

Primary Coordinator: Public Health Director
St. James Healthcare Safety and Risk Manager
A-1 Ambulance Medical Director

Support Organizations: Butte-Silver Bow Public Schools
Fire Departments: Career and Volunteer

Butte-Silver Bow Animal Services
Public Works Department
American Red Cross
Community Based Organizations: private,
nonprofit, and faith based
Community Mental Health Providers
Law Enforcement
911 Communications Center
BSB Coroner's Office
Private Sector Medical Clinics

I. INTRODUCTION.

A. PURPOSE.

1. Ensure comprehensive public health care during an emergency, excluding the hospital and medical services provided by the Hospital and Medical Services ESF # 11. Fatality Management is addressed in ESF # 20.
2. Provide measures for communicable disease prevention and control (disease surveillance, investigation, containment and communication), including environmental health.

B. SCOPE.

This Public Health, Hospital and Medical Services ESF is designed to provide a flexible organizational structure capable of meeting the requirements of many emergency scenarios with the potential to require activation of the BSB EOC and implementation of the CEMP. Most agencies involved in public health, hospital and medical services activities have existing emergency plans and procedures. ESF #8 is not designed to take the place of these plans, rather it is designed to complement and support existing plans and procedures.

C. SITUATION.

1. A major event would rapidly impact local government's resources and abilities to provide public health and medical services. Such an event would result in certain public health threats, including problems related to air and water quality, solid waste and physical and mental health. Additionally, Hospital and medical facilities may be severely damaged or destroyed resulting in a medical and pharmaceutical supplies/equipment shortage. Injuries and health conditions will be complicated by the impact of the emergency as well as in coordinating services of health care facilities and pharmacies.
2. Emergencies have the potential to raise stress levels in survivors and emergency responders, which may negatively affect their mental and emotional wellbeing.
3. Situations with potential threat to health and safety of the community require coordination of public health and medical response. These could include natural disease outbreaks.

D. POLICIES.

1. Continuation of public health functions and control of environmental factors related to public health is essential following an emergency to prevent the outbreak of disease and to monitor the spread of vectors associated with the emergency and its aftermath.
2. BSB will endeavor to assure the quality of care given to its citizens will be at the highest level possible. However, measures to protect life and health during emergencies in all likelihood will be exclusively dependent upon local and area resources in the first hours and days after an emergency. Austere conditions may limit the amount and quality of care it is possible to deliver.
3. Expedient health services are provided by the staff of the public health and private health care facilities.

4. Appropriate information on casualties/patients will be provided to the American Red Cross for inclusion in the Disaster Welfare Information System for access by the public according to established protocols.

E. PUBLIC HEALTH AREAS OF RESPONSIBILITY

1. **Assessment of Public Health/Medical Needs:** Mobilizes and deploys ESF #8 personnel to assess public health and medical needs, including the needs of at-risk population groups, such as language assistance services for limited English proficient individuals and accommodations and services for individuals with disabilities. This function includes the assessment of the health care system/facility infrastructure.
2. **Health Surveillance:** In coordination with supporting departments and agencies, establishes or enhances existing surveillance systems to monitor the health of the general and medical needs population; carries out field studies and investigations; monitors injury and disease patterns and potential disease outbreaks, blood and blood product biovigilance, and blood supply levels; and provides technical assistance and consultations on disease and injury prevention and precautions.
3. **Safety of Drugs, Food, Biologics, and Medical Devices:** ESF #8 may task components to ensure the safety and efficacy of regulated foods, drugs, biologic products, and medical devices following a disaster. Coordinate the seizure, removal, or destruction of contaminated or unsafe products.
4. **Agriculture Safety and Security:** ESF #8, may task components to ensure the health, safety, and security of food-producing animals, animal feed, and therapeutics.
5. **Vector Control:** ESF #8 may task components and request assistance from other ESF #8 partner organizations, as appropriate, in assessing the threat of vector-borne diseases; conducting field investigations, including the collection and laboratory analysis of relevant samples; providing vector control equipment and supplies; providing technical assistance and consultation on protective actions regarding vector-borne diseases; and providing technical assistance and consultation on medical treatment of victims of vector-borne diseases.
6. **Public Health Aspects of Potable Water/Wastewater and Solid Waste:** Coordinate the assessment of potable water, wastewater, solid waste disposal, and other environmental health issues related to public health in establishments holding, preparing, and/or serving food, drugs, or medical devices at retail and medical facilities, as well as examining and responding to public health effects from contaminated water; conducting field investigations, including

collection and laboratory analysis of relevant samples; providing equipment and supplies as needed; and providing technical assistance and consultation.

7. **Public Health Information:** ESF #8 provides public health, disease, and injury prevention information that can be transmitted to members of the general public who are located in or near areas affected in languages and formats that are understandable to individuals with limited English proficiency and individuals with disabilities.
8. **Behavioral Health Care:** ESF #8 may task components and request assistance from other ESF #8 partner organizations in assessing mental health and substance abuse needs, including emotional, psychological, psychological first aid, behavioral, or cognitive limitations requiring assistance or supervision; providing disaster mental health training materials for workers; providing liaison with assessment, training, and program development activities undertaken by Federal, State, tribal, or local mental health and substance abuse officials; and providing additional consultation as needed.
9. **Chemical and Biological Hazards Consultation:** Will assist in assessing health and medical effects of chemical and biological exposures on the general population and on high-risk population groups; mobilize and deploy state resources to conduct field investigations, including collection and analysis of relevant samples; advise on protective actions related to direct human and animal exposure, and on indirect exposure through chemically or biologically contaminated food, drugs, water supply, etc.; and provide technical assistance and consultation on medical treatment and decontamination of chemically or biologically injured or contaminated victims.
10. **Radiological Hazards Consultation:** Will assist in assessing health and medical effects of radiological exposures on the general population and on high-risk population groups. Will mobilize to conduct field investigations, including collection and analysis of relevant samples; advise on protective actions related to direct human and animal exposure, and on indirect exposure through radiologically contaminated food, drugs, water supply, etc.; and provide technical assistance and consultation on medical treatment and decontamination of radiologically injured or contaminated victims.

F. HOSPITAL AND MEDICAL SERVICES RESPONSIBILITIES:

1. **Patient Transport and Evacuation:** ESF #11 is responsible for transporting ill or injured patients, and special medical needs populations from casualty collection points in the impacted area to designated reception facilities. ESF #11, in collaboration with the local EOC, coordinates State and/or Federal resource response in support of emergency triage and pre-hospital treatment, patient tracking, and distribution.
2. **Patient Care:** ESF #11 may task support components to provide available personnel to support pre-hospital triage and treatment, inpatient hospital care, outpatient services, pharmacy services, and dental care to victims who are seriously ill, injured, or suffer from chronic illnesses or who need evacuation assistance, regardless of location.
3. **Blood, Organs, and Blood Tissue Supplies:** ESF #11 may task support components and request assistance from other ESF #11 partner organizations to monitor and ensure the safety, availability, and logistical requirements of blood, organs, and tissues. This includes the ability of the existing supply chain resources to meet the manufacturing, testing, storage, and distribution of these products.

II. CONCEPT OF OPERATIONS

A. GENERAL.

1. Emergency operations for public health services will be an extension of their normal duties. However, during widespread, multiple-site emergencies, health personnel, resources and facilities may be inundated by a surge in workload.
2. Hospital and Medical Services (HMS) is an integral part of the first responder network providing emergency services (fire, rescue, medical, law enforcement) in Butte-Silver Bow. For many single site emergency situations, the function of emergency medical services will be an extension of normal duties. However, during widespread, multiple-site emergencies emergency medical personnel, resources and facilities may be in short supply.
3. Existing mutual aid agreements may be able to augment and satisfy a temporary increase in local needs. If local capabilities are exceeded, support may be available from state and federal health service groups.
4. Coordination between public health service and medical services agencies is necessary to ensure emergency operational readiness. Each support agency must develop operating instructions and resource listings to support this plan.

5. A listing of available emergency public health service resources is maintained by the Butte – Silver Bow Public Health Department and shared with the EOC.

B. TASKS AND RESPONSIBILITIES.

1. Pre-Emergency Tasks.

- a. Primary and support departments will coordinate with the BSBOEM to:
 - Maintain this Emergency Support Function (ESF).
 - Maintain inventories of resources and equipment.
 - Develop public education information concerning the use of untreated water, contaminated food, and other unsanitary practices following emergencies.
 - Develop format for preparing health-related public information for distribution to the EOC PIO for release to the general public.
 - Develop procedures for deploying personnel into affected areas to provide surveillance and monitoring of public health following major emergencies.
 - Participate in training and exercises.
 - Develop emergency action checklists.
 - Maintain mutual aid agreements.
 - Develop and test methods for providing large scale prophylaxis in the community.

2. General Emergency Tasks.

- a. Primary and support agencies will:
 - When requested during an emergency situation, report to the Butte – Silver Bow EOC.
 - Provide guidance on personal protective equipment and other exposure precautions
 - Ascertain need for public health surveillance.
 - Respond to the emergency scene with emergency medical personnel and equipment
 - Upon arrival at the scene, assume appropriate role in the Incident Command System (ICS).
 - Triage, stabilize, treat and coordinate transport of the sick and injured with area hospitals.

3. Specific Emergency Concepts and Responsibilities.

- a. **Butte–Silver Bow Health Department, St. James Health Care and A-1 Ambulance are the primary departments for ESF # 8 Public Health and will:**
 - Assume the role of primary department for this ESF and assumes the position of Public Health Group Supervisor in the

EOC Operations Section to carry out those functions within the EOC.

- Provide personnel, equipment, supplies and other resources necessary to coordinate plans and programs for public health activities.
- Inspect and advise on general food handling and sanitation matters.
- Coordinate through the EOC Public Information Officer the dissemination of emergency-related public health information to the public.
- Coordinate with hospitals and other health providers regarding response to public health needs.
- Provide investigation, surveillance, and take measures for containment of harmful health effects.
- Provide coordination of laboratory services.
- Consult with the Mass Care, Housing & Human Services Coordinator to identify shelters that may require public health services.
- Coordinate air and water quality assurance activities.
- Provide frequent updates to the EOC Operations Section Chief as to the status of the Public health function.
- Coordinate behavioral health support agencies for requested services.
- Support fatality management services by providing public health related disaster assessments and information.
- Provide public health guidance to the private medical community.
- Maintain records of cost and expenditures to accomplish this ESF and forward them to the EOC Finance/ Administration Section Chief.

b. **American Red Cross:**

- Provide medical and mental health support personnel as requested.

c. **Fire Departments-Career and Volunteer:**

- Provide assistance with public health related assessments.
- Record costs and expenditures and forward them to this ESF's Group Supervisor.

d. **Butte – Silver Bow Public Schools:**

- Provide nursing personnel, equipment, supplies and other resources needed to assist in health care for victims of the effected emergency area.
- Record costs and expenditures and forward them to this ESF's Group Supervisor.

e. **Mental Health Providers: Warm Springs State Hospital, Montana Mental Health, Butte Ministerial Association, Private Providers:**

- Provide behavioral health services.
- Assess behavioral health needs following an emergency considering both the immediate and cumulative stress resulting from the emergency.
- Provide State licensed medical and mental health support personnel as requested.
- Coordinate through the EOC Public Information Officer the dissemination of public education on critical incident stress and stress management techniques.
- Provide outreach to serve identified behavioral health needs.

f. **Public Works Department:**

- Assist with water quality control.
- Monitor sewerage treatment capabilities.
- Record costs and expenditures and forward them to this ESF's Group Supervisor.

g. **Animal Services:**

- Assist with the prevention and control of animal-borne diseases that have public health significance.
- Record costs and expenditures and forward them to this ESF's Group Supervisor.

C. ROLE OF BUTTE-SILVER BOW EOC.

1. When the EOC is activated, the EOC Manager may activate the Public Health, Hospital and Medical Services ESF # 8. The Public Health Group Supervisor is responsible for directing and coordinating emergency responses to situations relating to disease control, sanitation, and mental health. The Public Health Group Supervisor will make request to the state EOC through the EOC Commander for additional resources when all local public health services resources have been exhausted.
2. Public health personnel will be alerted according to prescribed departmental/agency policy. The Public Health Group Supervisor will assign the operational priorities for personnel. All personnel will report to their pre-designated locations unless otherwise directed by their supervisor at the time they are notified of the emergency. Pre-designation of duties and responsibilities will facilitate a reduction in response time.
3. Public Health Group Supervisor will establish and maintain lines of communication in the EOC during major response operations to facilitate coordination of activities and resources.

4. Public Health ESF # 8 likely tasks are found in the City-County box on the tab page at the front of this section.
5. The Hospital and Medical Group Supervisor is responsible for implementing the Hospital and Medical Services ESF #8 by directing and coordinating emergency programs relating to medical operations e.g., existing hospitals and hospital-type facilities, emergency treatment stations, first-aid stations, first aid, litter and ambulance teams, blood banks, blood collecting centers, blood distribution and allocating medical personnel and equipment to reception areas. The Hospital and Medical Group Supervisor will make requests to the EOC Operations Chief for additional resources when it is apparent that all local medical resource have been exhausted.
6. Medical Services personnel will be alerted according to prescribed departmental/ agency policy. Operational priorities for personnel will be assigned by the assigned represented of the co-leading agencies or designee. Personnel will report to pre-designated locations unless otherwise directed by their supervisor at the time they are notified of the emergency. Pre-designation of duties and responsibilities will facilitate a reduction in response time.
7. The Hospital and Medical Group Supervisor will establish and maintain lines of communication in the EOC during major response operations to facilitate coordination of activities and resources.

D. LIFE SAFETY ASSESSMENT.

An initial EOC priority is to gather as much intelligence about the extent of damage as soon as possible. As soon as possible, public health, hospital and medical services personnel will submit situation and damage reports to the EOC.

E. EVACUATION.

Evacuation will be coordinated with the EOC to ensure the evacuees are moved to an appropriate shelter to provide for the needs of special populations and individuals. Public Health, Hospital and Medical Services ESF # 8 will ensure appropriate public health and medical service support.

F. FIELD OPERATIONS.

1. Public Health Services emergency actions may include:
 - Immunizations and/or the distribution of prophylaxis.
 - Public Health inspections.
 - Public Health /Sanitation inspections of medical facilities, shelters, mass care centers, and food establishments impacted by disaster events.
 - Coordinate potable water testing.

- Environmental health activities in regard to waste disposal, refuse, food, water control, environmental monitoring and vector control.
 - Conduct or coordinate laboratory activities in regard to examination of food and water, and diagnostic tests.
2. Mental Health Services emergency actions may include:
 - Coordinating mental health programs and resources at incident sites.
 3. Hazardous Materials Response.
 - Public health service units responding to a hazardous material incident will ensure that they have a full understanding of the Incident Commander's assessment of the situation and that they take full and proper precautions to protect themselves.
 - Only personnel having proper training should be deployed to a hazardous material incident.
 4. Multiple Death Operations.
 - The City-County Public Health Department gathers vital statistics during mass injury or fatality operations for the EOC situation reports as requested.

III. ATTACHMENTS AND REFERENCES.

A. ATTACHMENTS.

1. Public Health (ESF # 8) Checklist.

B. REFERENCES.

1. Butte-Silver Bow Public Health Department Emergency Operations Plan.
2. Butte-Silver Bow Joint Information Center Plan.
3. Emergency Operations Center Operating Guide.
4. St. James Healthcare Emergency Operation Plan

C. PROVISIO.

This support annex has been prepared in accordance with the standards of the National Incident Management System and other Federal and State requirements and standards for emergency response plans applicable as of the date of the plan's preparation.

The plan provides guidance only; it is intended for use in further development for response capabilities, implementation of training and exercises, and defining the

general approach to incident response. The actual response an incident is dependent on:

1. The specific conditions of the incident, including incident type, geographic extent, severity, timing, and duration;
2. The availability of resources for response at the time of the incident;
3. Decisions of Incident Commanders and political leadership; and
4. Actions taken by neighboring jurisdictions, the State, and the Federal Government.

These and other factors may result in unforeseen circumstances, prevent the implementation of plan components, or require actions that are significantly different from those described in the plan.

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PUBLIC HEALTH (ESF # 8) CHECKLIST

<p>Pre-Emergency</p>	<p>Coordinate with the Homeland Security and Emergency Management Agency to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Maintain this Emergency Support Function (ESF). <input type="checkbox"/> Maintain inventories of resources and equipment. <input type="checkbox"/> Develop public education information concerning the use of untreated water, contaminated food, and other unsanitary practices following emergencies. <input type="checkbox"/> Develop format for preparing health-related public information for distribution to the EOC PIO for release to the general public. <input type="checkbox"/> Develop procedures for deploying personnel into affected areas to provide surveillance and monitoring of public health following major emergencies. <input type="checkbox"/> Participate in trainings and exercises. <input type="checkbox"/> Develop emergency action checklists. <input type="checkbox"/> Maintain mutual aid agreements. <input type="checkbox"/> Develop and test methods for providing large scale prophylaxis.
<p>Emergency</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> When notified, report to the Butte – Silver Bow EOC. <input type="checkbox"/> Monitor Public Health and well-being of emergency workers. <input type="checkbox"/> Ascertain need for public health surveillance.
<p>Emergency Operations Center (EOC)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Perform Public Health ESF # 8 functions as the Public Health Group Supervisor within the Butte – Silver Bow EOC Operations Section. <input type="checkbox"/> Determine condition, status of Butte – Silver Bow health resources. <input type="checkbox"/> Determine present and future need for health resources. <input type="checkbox"/> Obtain, coordinate Public Health resources as requested by field incident commanders. <input type="checkbox"/> Sources for resources can include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Mutual aid. – State ECC. – American Red Cross. <input type="checkbox"/> Coordinate assessment of general health needs of the affected population, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Providing for dissemination of emergency public health information. – Surveillance and monitoring of conditions that could impact general public health. <input type="checkbox"/> Coordinate the evaluation and dissemination of public health alerts of food, drug or medical safety. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Assessment of worker health and safety. – Assist with the identification of biological, chemical, radiological or physiological public health hazards. – Coordinate the evaluation of potential mental health issues of emergency workers and victims. – Advice on potability of water sources and disposition of solid waste and wastewater as it relates to public health issues. <input type="checkbox"/> Establish, maintain contact with State EOC through the EOC Manager, as appropriate:

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><input type="checkbox"/> Provide information on damages, status of Butte – Silver Bow Public Health systems.<ul style="list-style-type: none">– Request additional Public Health resources, as needed.<input type="checkbox"/> Provide mutual aid if requested:<ul style="list-style-type: none">– Do not commit mutual aid until it is determined that the City-County does not need the requested resources.
Recovery Actions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><input type="checkbox"/> Continue to monitor the public and environment for adverse effects.<input type="checkbox"/> Coordinate with and assist state and federal public health agencies as needed.

Attachment 2

HOSPITAL AND MEDICAL SERVICES (HMS) (ESF # 8) CHECKLIST

<p>Pre-Emergency</p>	<p>Coordinate with the Homeland Security and Emergency Management Agency to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><input type="checkbox"/> Maintain this Emergency Support Function (ESF).<input type="checkbox"/> Maintain inventories of resources and equipment.<input type="checkbox"/> Participate in drills, exercises.<input type="checkbox"/> Develop emergency action checklists.<input type="checkbox"/> Maintain mutual aid agreements.<input type="checkbox"/> Become familiar with the National Disaster Medical System.
<p>Emergency</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><input type="checkbox"/> Respond to the emergency scene with emergency medical personnel and equipment.<input type="checkbox"/> Upon arrival at the scene, assume appropriate role in the Incident Command System (ICS). If ICS has not been established, initiate in accordance with the Butte – Silver Bow’s emergency management system and report implementation to the EOC.<input type="checkbox"/> Triage, stabilize, treat, and coordinate transport of the sick and injured with area hospitals.<input type="checkbox"/> Establish and maintain field communications and coordination with other responding emergency teams (medical, fire, police, public works, etc.), and radio or telephone communications with area hospitals, as appropriate.<ul style="list-style-type: none">– Provide early notification to the hospital radio net on potential mass casualty incidents.<input type="checkbox"/> Direct the activities of private, volunteer, and other emergency medical units, and of bystander volunteers as needed.<input type="checkbox"/> When notified, report to the Butte – Silver Bow EOC. <p>(Continued Next Page)</p>

**Emergency
Operations
Center (EOC)**

- Implement this Hospital and Medical Services ESF by assigning an individual to assume the position of Hospital and Medical Group Supervisor within the EOC Operations Section.
- Activate the communications links between emergency medical responders and hospital.
- Determine condition, status of Butte – Silver Bow hospital and medical resources.
- Determine present and future need for hospital and medical resources.
 - Determine need for additional personnel to include Multiple Casualty Incidents.
 - Determine coordination needed regarding special needs shelters.
 - Examine need for medical equipment and supplies.
 - Ascertain need for patient evacuation.
- Coordinate medical support for shelters.
- Provide medical personnel at special needs shelters as requested.
- Provide, coordinate the medical resources to include:
 - Ambulance vehicles and transportation.
 - Medical personnel.
 - Medical equipment and supplies.
 - Logistical support.
 - Administrative and clerical support.
- Obtain, coordinate medical resources as requested by field incident commanders, includes:
 - Provision for pre-hospital and hospital emergency medical care.
 - Assist in identification, coordination and mobilization of medical equipment, supplies and personnel.
- Sources for resources can include:
 - Mutual aid.
 - State EOC.
 - American Red Cross.
 - Hospital and clinics.
 - Military (disaster medical assistance teams).
 - Private sector physicians, nurses, hospitals, clinics.
 - National Disaster Medical System.
- Coordinate assistance to Coroner in victim identification and mortuary services.
- Establish, maintain contact with State EOC through the EOC Manager.
 - Provide information on damages, status of Butte – Silver Bow hospital and medical system.
 - Request additional medical resources as needed.
- Evaluate mutual aid requests and determine which can be filled.

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Recovery Actions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><input type="checkbox"/> Continue providing essential medical care services.<input type="checkbox"/> Assist Recovery Operations; Identify barriers to recovery.<input type="checkbox"/> Assist restoration of the area's medical care delivery capacity.<input type="checkbox"/> Support Operations to provide pre-hospital medical care and health services.<input type="checkbox"/> Support USAR as needed.<input type="checkbox"/> Support DMAT as needed.<input type="checkbox"/> Maintain activity journal and documentation of labor, supplies and equipment.<input type="checkbox"/> Document damaged apparatus and equipment.<input type="checkbox"/> Maintain activity journal.
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