

AGENDA FOR CONFERENCE

Collaborative Efforts toward Understanding Disasters and Future Preparedness in the Gulf Coast:

Knowledge Dissemination, Planning, and Readiness

Sponsored by: Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration
Louisiana State Department of Health and Hospitals, Office of Behavioral Health
Departments of Psychiatry and Pediatrics at Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center

Day 1, June 13, 2012

8:15-8:45 Registration

8:45-9:00 Disaster Preparedness, Response and Recovery: Lessons Learned and Plans for the Future

Video Presentation by Nicole Lurie, M.D., M.S.P.H. Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

9:00-9:45 Opening Plenary: Understanding Disasters in the Gulf Coast

*Joy D. Osofsky, Ph.D., Barbara Lemann Professor, Departments of Pediatrics and Psychiatry
LSU Health Sciences Center*

*Howard Osofsky, M.D., Ph.D., Kathleen and John Bricker Chair, Professor and Head,
LSU Health Sciences Center, Department of Psychiatry*

*Anthony H. Speier Ph.D., Assistant Secretary Office of Behavioral Health
Louisiana Department of Health and Hospitals*

This session will focus on three objectives, to present information on/to:

Objective 1: Introduce objectives of Training

Objective 2: Give overview of effects of disasters along the Gulf Coast

Objective 3: Discuss issues related to importance of preparedness and how it relates to past and future disasters along the Gulf Coast

9:45-10:30 Effects of Cumulative Traumas: Developing Collaborations and Systems of Care

*Robert L. Hartman, Executive Vice President/Chief Operating Officer,
DePelchin Children's Center, Houston, Texas*

This session will focus on three objectives, to present information on/to:

Objective 1: Effects of cumulative trauma as it pertains to disasters

*Objective 2: Developing collaborations to address regions with high levels of complex trauma,
such as the Gulf Coast*

Objective 3: Navigating systems of care for individuals with cumulative trauma

10:30-10:45 Break

10:45-11:15 Knowledge Gleaned following Cumulative Traumas in Alabama

University of South Alabama, Department of Psychology

11:15-11:45 Knowledge Gleaned following Cumulative Traumas in Louisiana
Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center, Department of Psychiatry

11:45-12:15 Knowledge Gleaned following Cumulative Traumas in Mississippi
University of Southern Mississippi, Department of Social Work

Each session listed above will focus on three objectives, to present information on:
Objective 1: knowledge from pre-oil spill disasters along the Gulf Coast
Objective 2: results of the SERG Tri State Consortium following the DWH Oil Spill
Objective 3: next steps translating disaster knowledge into preparedness

12:15-1:45 Lunch on your own

1:45-2:15 Introduction to Disaster Psychosocial Assessment and Surveillance Toolkit (Disaster PAST)

Tonya Hansel, Ph.D., LMSW, Assistant Professor, Department of Psychiatry, LSU Health Sciences Center

Erin Reuther, Ph.D., Post Doctoral Fellow, Department of Psychiatry, LSU Health Sciences Center

This session will focus on three objectives, to present information on/to:

Objective 1: Discuss importance of collecting accurate data about mental health functioning following disasters

Objective 2: Introduce contents of the Disaster-PAST toolkit and how to use the toolkit to collect data following a disaster.

Objective 3: Participants will gain a working knowledge of how to use the Disaster-PAST toolkit to collect data about mental health functioning following disasters.

2:15-3:00 Public Health Perspectives on the Gulf Coast following the DWH Oil Spill

William C. Reeves, MD, MSc, Senior Advisor, Office of Surveillance, Epidemiology and Laboratory Services, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

This session will focus on three objectives, to present information on/to:

Objective 1: Discuss the results of public health data collected following the DWH Oil Spill

Objective 2: Discuss existing survey methodology to capture current needs following disaster

Objective 3: Discuss how using data can improve response to future disasters along the Gulf Coast

3:00-3:15 Break

3:15-4:00 Environmental Hazards and the Connection to Mental Health

Maureen Y. Lichtveld, MD, MPH, Professor and Chair, Freeport McMoRan Chair of Environmental Policy, Associate Director Population Sciences, Louisiana Cancer Research

Consortium, Director GROWH Research Consortium, Tulane University School of Public Health and Tropical Medicine, Department of Global Environmental Health Sciences

This session will focus on three objectives, to present information on/to:

Objective 1: The connectedness of environmental and mental health

Objective 2: Methods of disaster response focusing on this interconnectedness

Objective 3: Ways to improved the current disaster response system—a public health perspective

4:00-4:15 Closing: Interactive Discussion on Public, Environmental and Mental Health Research

Day 2, June 14, 2012

8:15-8:45 Late Registration

8:45-9:00 Day Two Opening: Gulf Coast Future Preparedness

Karen B. DeSalvo, MD, MPH, MSc

City of New Orleans Health Commissioner, Senior Health Policy Advisor to the Mayor

9:00-9:45 Panel Presentation: Lessons Learned for Collaborative Efforts

SERG Tri State Consortium Presenters

Moderator: Howard J. Osofsky, M.D., Ph.D., LSUHSC Department of Psychiatry

This session will focus on three objectives, to present information on/to:

Objective 1: Briefly discuss tri-state collaboration following the DWH oil spill between Louisiana, Mississippi, and Alabama

Objective 2: Discuss how collaboration has helped to understand effects of the DWH oil spill regionally

Objective 3: Field questions from participants related to collaborative efforts following the DWH oil spill

9:45-10:30 Meeting the Mental and Behavioral Needs of Underserved Communities

Stephen Bradberry

Sean Nguyen, Health Program Coordinator, Vietnamese American Young Leaders Association

This session will focus on three objectives, to present information on/to:

Objective 1: Resource Connection in Underserved Communities

Objective 2: Integrating Resources into Federally Qualified Health Clinics

Objective 3: Building Capacity for Future Disaster Preparedness

10:30-10:45 Break

10:45-12:15 Long Term Effects of Oil Spills and Community Models for Response

Lawrence Palinkas, Ph.D. Albert G. and Frances Lomas Feldman Professor of Social Policy and Health, University of Southern California

This session will focus on three objectives, to present information on/to:

Objective 1: Discuss general effects following the *Exxon-Valdez* oil spill

Objective 2: Participants will understand effects of disasters on communities, including models related to community recovery models

Objective 3: Participants will understand the importance of preparedness on the community level

12:15-1:45 ***Lunch on your own***

1:45-2:45 **Panel Presentation: Disaster Response and Data to Help Capacity Building for First Responders Following Disasters**

Barry Chauvin, Chief Executive Officer Options for Independence

Kevin Champagne, MA MHA, Health Services Director Options for Independence

Danny Adams, 1st Responder Lead, DHH Office of Behavioral Health

Rebecca Benelli, EMS Volunteer Coordinator, Retired NOPD

Moderator: Art Kirkland, Tulane's Emergency Preparedness Director

This session will focus on three objectives, to present information on/to:

Objective 1: Community response following disasters

Objective 2: First responders and readiness for future disaster response

Objective 3: Data to help strengthen preparedness

2:45-3:00 ***Break***

3:00-4:00 **Panel Presentation: Reports from the Field and Next Steps**

LSUHSC Department of Psychiatry Faculty Members

Moderator: Joy D. Osofsky, Ph.D. LSUHSC, Departments of Pediatrics and Psychiatry

This session will focus on three objectives, to present information on/to:

Objective 1: Community and clinical impressions of mental health functioning in areas highly impacted by cumulative trauma

Objective 2: Discuss how LSUHSC has been involved in the recovery

Objective 3: Discuss future plans for disaster recovery

4:00:4:15 **Closing: Interactive Discussion on Future Preparedness**