

# Regional Meeting of Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPCs)

**Monday, January 22th, 2018 1:00PM-3:00PM**  
**Dartmouth Hitchcock Medical Center- Nashua**  
**Conference Room ABC**  
**2300 Southwood Dr. Nashua, NH 03063**

Facilitators: Chelsea St. George, Greater Nashua Public Health; Justin Kates, Nashua OEM & Karl Gerhard, Nashua Fire

## Minutes

**Attendees:**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Organization</b>
Kevin Ballantine	JCI Jones Chemicals	Don McCoy	Hollis OEM
Lisa Beaulieu	Harcros Chemicals Inc.	Jay Minkarah	NRPC
Dan Bennison	GNPH	David Muse	American Red Cross
Brian Borneman	Merrimack Fire Rescue	Denise Paradise	Aynsley Place
Matthew Cody	Liberty Utilities	Michael Penn	UltraSource, Inc.
Valerie Connelly	Worthen Industries	Thatcher Plante	Bedford Fire Department
Jack Duffy Jr	Hillsborough County ARES	Marc Provencher	Aynsley Place
Fran Dupuis	Northeast Rehabilitation Hospital Network	Bob Scheifele	Nashua Airport Authority
Deth Foy	Hunt Community	Adam Spencer	Elbit Systems of America (Kollsman)
Robert Guillemain	EPA Region 1	Chelsea St George	GNPH
Mike Hanides	Mercury Systems	Kim Willingham	Comcast
Mark Hastings	Southern NH Health	Kevin Wooldridge	UPS
Gene Kuczewski	Souhegan CERT	Steve Zack	Hitchiner Manufacturing Company
Elizabeth LaRocca	Eversource Energy	Don McCoy	Hollis OEM
Stephen Laroche	Goffstown Fire Department	Mike Lubsen	Spraying Systems Co.
Ed Lecius	Nashua Police Department	John Manuele	Merrimack Fire Rescue
Denis Linehan	Nashua Police	Patricia Mason	Lamprey Health Care
Fletcher Seagroves	ARES	Jack Kelly	Milford Fire Department
Richard Plourde	Eversource Energy	Michael Vaccaro	BAE Systems

Dean Desautels	Eversource Energy	Shawn Boyle	Eversource Energy
Robert Field	Manchester Fire/EM	Roger Costan	JCI Jones Chemicals
Korey Hlebichuk	Eversource Energy		

Old Business:

- Hazardous Materials Updates?
  - None to report, aside from sporadic, small residential incidences.
  - Minor incident in Merrimack River as a result of snow melt.
- Tier II RTK Requests Policy Development - EPA and NH State Fire Marshal's Office
  - Working on a template policy for what communities and facilities should do if they receive a Right To Know Request.
- Healthcare Facility Emergency Plan Technical Assistance
  - Nashua OEM and GNPH are continuing to provide technical assistance to healthcare facilities developing or updating their emergency plans to be in compliance with the CMS requirements.
  - Please contact either the Nashua OEM or Greater Nashua Public Health for emergency plan assistance.
- School/Childcare Emergency Plan Technical Assistance
  - The Nashua OEM has been working with schools in the area to update and review school & childcare emergency plans to meet guidance. New Childcare rule has added a number of new requirements.

Municipality Updates:

- Amherst - Not present
- Bedford - No updates
- Brookline - Not present
- Goffstown - Minor incidences of residential hazmat. No major incidents to report
- Greenville - Not present
- Hollis - Working with the NRPC to update the 5-year HMP. Also working with SAU 41 to develop safety committee with a representative from each school. The purpose of this committee will be to develop and improve emergency plans for the district.
- Hudson- Not present
- Lyndeborough - Not present
- Mason - Not present
- Merrimack - No significant hazmat incidents to report. However, there has been an increase in commercial properties bubbling up in the area. These properties may need to become involved in reporting if hazardous materials are on site.
- Milford - No updates
- Mont Vernon - Not present
- Nashua - Reports of oil slicks in the Merrimack River heading towards the Jackson Falls hydro dam came in. This is due to snowmelt.
- New Boston - Not present
- New Ipswich - Not present
- Temple - Not present
- Weare - Not present
- Wilton - Not present

- Manchester - Starting to re-energize the Manchester area LEPC. There was a case of an unknown substance in a body cavity reported at Elliot Hospital. The substance came back as opioids. Manchester is also working on updates to the HMP.

New Business:

- Volunteer Opportunities?
  - Looking to schedule Greater Nashua VOAD Meeting for January or February
- Citizen Outreach/Education Opportunities?
  - Preparedness Program Transition to Greater Nashua Public Health Network
  - Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) 02/09/2018-02/11/2018 @ DHMC
  - Until Help Arrives
- Training Opportunities
  - EPCRA Webinar 1/23 <https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/604928594724918018>
  - ICS-300 Intermediate ICS 01/30/2018-02/01/2018 @ Portsmouth Fire Department
  - AWR-345 Unmanned Aircraft Systems in Disaster Management: 2/13/18 @ NH Fire Academy
  - AWR-319 Leveraging Tools for Conducting Damage Assessments: 3/14/18 @ NH Fire Academy
  - AWR-148 Crisis Management for School-Based Incidents 03/14/2018 @ NH Fire Academy
  - Course Registrations: <https://www.nh.gov/safety/divisions/fstems/NFAEMIODP.html> & <https://www.nh.gov/safety/divisions/fstems/training/icscourses.html>
- Exercise Opportunities
  - Pediatric Emergency Exercise with SNHHS - Mark Hastings
    - Planning for prehospital pediatric incident. Exercise will take place in late October 2018
  - Nashua Active Threat Tabletop - Justin Kates
    - Previous exercises have graded rescue task forces. The tabletop will test the active threat SOG from initial resource all the way through unified command and the transfer of command.
- Other New Business
  - EPA Healthy Communities Grant Award
    - Nashua was awarded this grant from the EPA to help develop a resilience framework. This will be a great opportunity for the members of the area LEPCs to take part in planning and developing this framework.
    - Anna McGinty - Community Resilience Coordinator hired in January
  - Nashua Hazard Mitigation Plan Update
    - The 5-year update will focus on long-term impacts of HazMat Incidents. Format will mimic that of MA, with the inclusion of adaptation as part of the framework.
  - Meeting Format
    - Please complete survey for feedback.
  - Tier II Reports Due March 1st
    - Can send to [tier2@nashaunh.gov](mailto:tier2@nashaunh.gov)