Medical countermeasure dispensing and administration is the ability to provide medical countermeasures to targeted populations to prevent, mitigate, or treat the adverse health effects of a public health incident. This capability focuses on dispensing and administering medical countermeasures, such as vaccines, antiviral drugs, antibiotics, and antitoxins.

**Function 1: Determine medical countermeasure dispensing/administration strategies**

Is your jurisdiction capable of performing these tasks?

**Task 1:** Develop jurisdiction-specific strategies to prepare for medical countermeasure dispensing/administration.

- Yes  
- No

**Task 2:** Establish a network of dispensing/administration sites.

- Yes  
- No

**Task 3:** Identify and assign required response roles.

- Yes  
- No

**Preparedness Resource Elements**

Does your public health department or emergency response partner have *preparedness documents* that include the following?
**P1:** Multidisciplinary planning group(s), consisting of subject matter experts and key partners, to formulate and confirm medical countermeasure dispensing/administration strategies and roles.

- Yes  - No

**P2:** Procedures in place to identify medical countermeasures required to respond to current or projected incidents.

- Yes  - No

**P3:** Procedures in place to guide the dispensing/administration of medical countermeasures

- Yes  - No

**P4:** Network of sites for dispensing/administering medical countermeasures, which might include PODs, vaccination clinics, pharmacies, hospitals, health care facilities, school clinics, or temporary mass vaccination sites.

- Yes  - No

**Skills and Training Resource Elements**

Does your public health department or an emergency response partner in your jurisdiction have *supporting documentation* for the following?

**S/T1:** Personnel trained to dispense/administer medical countermeasures.

- Yes  - No

**S/T2:** Personnel trained to conduct tabletop, functional, and full-scale exercises in accordance with HSEEP in order to test and evaluate jurisdictional medical countermeasure strategies.

- Yes  - No
Status

Overall, how well does your jurisdiction perform this function?

Select your jurisdiction's ability to perform this function.

Function 2: Receive medical countermeasures to be dispensed/administered

Is your jurisdiction capable of performing these tasks?

Task 1: Evaluate jurisdictional medical countermeasure inventories.

☐ Yes  ☐ No

Task 2: Request medical countermeasures.

☐ Yes  ☐ No

Task 3: Receive medical countermeasures at dispensing/administration sites.

☐ Yes  ☐ No

Preparedness Resource Elements

Does your public health department or emergency response partner have preparedness documents that include the following?

P1: Procedures in place to assess medical countermeasure inventories and determine the need for additional medical countermeasures.

☐ Yes  ☐ No

P2: Procedures in place to request, order, and receive medical countermeasures at dispensing/administration sites according to guidelines provided by the supply source, including the Strategic National Stockpile
(SNS), jurisdictional immunization programs receiving vaccine from Biomedical Advanced Research and Development Authority (BARDA), or other applicable sources.

Yes  No

**P3:** Procedures in place for the storage and handling of medical countermeasures at dispensing/administration sites.

Yes  No

**Equipment and Technology Resource Elements**

Does your public health department or emergency response partner in your jurisdiction have, or have access to, the following?

**E/T1:** Information system(s) to track the medical countermeasures dispensed or administered to determine resupply request needs, understanding populations reached, and monitoring adverse events.

Yes  No

**E/T2:** Equipment, supplies, and systems needed to support dispensing/administration.

Yes  No

**Status**

Overall, how well does your jurisdiction perform this function?

Select your jurisdiction's ability to perform this function.
**Function 3:** Activate medical countermeasure dispensing/administration operations

Is your jurisdiction capable of performing these tasks?

**Task 1:** Activate medical countermeasure dispensing/administration operations based on needs of the incident.

- Yes  - No

**Task 2:** Notify and assemble personnel who will support medical countermeasure dispensing/administration.

- Yes  - No

**Task 3:** Provide medical countermeasures to public health responders and critical workforce.

- Yes  - No

**Task 4:** Implement security measures for medical countermeasure dispensing/administration.

- Yes  - No

**Task 5:** Provide information to the public.

- Yes  - No

**Preparedness Resource Elements**

Does your public health department or emergency response partner have *preparation documents* that include the following?

**P1:** Procedures in place to activate dispensing/administration sites and the trained, skilled personnel and volunteers to support those sites.

- Yes  - No
**P2:** Procedures in place to dispense/administer medical countermeasures to public health responders and critical workforce either pre-incident or during the early stages of an incident.

- Yes  - No

**P3:** Security measures, specific to each medical countermeasure dispensing and vaccine administration site, as necessary, to ensure personnel safety, product security, and crowd management during an incident.

- Yes  - No

**P4:** List of identified partners and stakeholders for private sector dispensing/administration and procedures to activate private sector partners, as applicable.

- Yes  - No

**P5:** Communication messages and procedures in place to develop tailored messages that address various threats and incidents, such as cases of a novel agent.

- Yes  - No

**Equipment and Technology Resource Elements**

Does your public health department or emergency response partner in your jurisdiction have, or have access to, the following?

**E/T1:** Equipment and digital media accounts that are accessible to PIOs or spokespersons in order to receive messaging from the jurisdiction's public health alert system or network.

- Yes  - No

**E/T2:** Information systems and communication tools to inform the community, target populations, and health care providers about key medical countermeasure information.

- Yes  - No
**E/T3:** Information systems to support the development and maintenance of staffing models, such as RealOpt©.

○ Yes  ○ No

**E/T4:** Equipment and Internet connection to access an individual's immunization status as found in an immunization registry, or information about medical conditions as found in an electronic health record.

○ Yes  ○ No

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**Status**

**Overall, how well does your jurisdiction perform this function?**

Select your jurisdiction's ability to perform this function.

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**Function 4:** Dispense/administer medical countermeasures to targeted population(s)

**Is your jurisdiction capable of performing these tasks?**

**Task 1:** Dispense/administer medical countermeasures to target populations.

○ Yes  ○ No

**Task 2:** Provide essential information to those who receive medical countermeasures.

○ Yes  ○ No

**Task 3:** Monitor and adjust medical countermeasure dispensing/administration throughput and coverage.

○ Yes  ○ No
**Task 4:** Track medical countermeasures that are dispensed/administered.

- Yes  
- No

**Preparedness Resource Elements**

Does your public health department or emergency response partner have *preparedness documents* that include the following?

**P1:** Procedures in place to dispense/administer medical countermeasures to affected, targeted, and prioritized populations that align with current science, incident characteristics, and public health guidelines.

- Yes  
- No

**P2:** Drug or vaccine information available to the public and to persons receiving medical countermeasures.

- Yes  
- No

**P3:** Procedures in place to request additional personnel and supplies based on incident characteristics.

- Yes  
- No

**Skills and Training Resource Elements**

Does your public health department or an emergency response partner in your jurisdiction have *supporting documentation* for the following?

**S/T1:** Personnel trained on jurisdictional medical countermeasure tracking systems, such as immunization information systems, electronic health records, or other tracking databases.

- Yes  
- No

**Equipment and Technology Resource Elements**
Does your public health department or emergency response partner in your jurisdiction have, or have access to, the following?

**E/T1:** Information statements, such as drug or vaccine information statements, for persons who receive medical countermeasures.

○ Yes  ○ No

**E/T2:** Information system(s) for dispensing and administering medical countermeasures, such as inventory tracking systems to manage medical countermeasure supplies or state IISs to track vaccinations given to individuals.

○ Yes  ○ No

**Status**

Overall, how well does your jurisdiction perform this function?

Select your jurisdiction's ability to perform this function.

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**Function 5: Report adverse events**

Is your jurisdiction capable of performing these tasks?

**Task 1:** Prepare for adverse event reporting.

○ Yes  ○ No

**Task 2:** Activate adverse event reporting procedures.

○ Yes  ○ No

**Task 3:** Promote and facilitate reporting of adverse events.

Yes  No
Preparedness Resource Elements

Does your public health department or emergency response partner have *preparedness documents* that include the following?

**P1:** Procedures in place to guide the reporting of adverse events, including receipt of reports, dissemination of adverse event information, and provisions for adverse event reporting.

☐ Yes  ☐ No

**P2:** Procedures in place to generate and disseminate pertinent information related to adverse event reporting.

☐ Yes  ☐ No

Skills and Training Resource Elements

Does your public health department or an emergency response partner in your jurisdiction have *supporting documentation* for the following?

**S/T1:** Personnel trained on adverse event reporting system procedures (both federal and jurisdictional), including the designation of a vaccine safety coordinator.

☐ Yes  ☐ No

Equipment and Technology Resource Elements

Does your public health department or emergency response partner in your jurisdiction have, *or have access to*, the following?

**E/T1:** Access to national and jurisdictional adverse event reporting systems, such as VAERS, FDA MedWatch, or local reporting systems.

☐ Yes  ☐ No
**Status**

**Overall, how well does your jurisdiction perform this function?**

Select your jurisdiction's ability to perform this function.

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**Supporting Information**

Please provide the following information that helped support the review of this Capability.

**Partners:**

Please indicate the community partners that assisted you with this review.

- [ ] Local Health Department
- [ ] Tribal Health Department
- [ ] Local Emergency & Rescue Services
- [ ] Local Disaster & Emergency Services Coordinator
- [ ] Hospital
- [ ] Local Medical Clinic/Doctor's Office
- [ ] Local Long-Term Care Facility
- [ ] Local Laboratory
- [ ] Local Community Service Organization
- [ ] Non-Government Organization
- [ ] Other

**Documents:**

Please list any plans, procedures, documents, policies, or other *written* guidance that support the review of this capability.

*(Note: Partner or jurisdictional documentation might be acceptable if relevant)*
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**Training:**

List any *documented* training your personnel have that supports the review of this capability.

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