Engaging Offsite Clinical Locations in a Hazard Vulnerability Analysis (HVA)

This presentation illustrates the engagement and outreach strategies developed to conduct a Hazard Vulnerability Analysis (HVA) at offsite clinical locations. The goal of this project was to engage the more than fifty sites in the HVA, while building lasting relationships between OEM and clinical leadership. OEM Project Coordinators created location-specific assessment tools to ensure concerns related to building accessibility based on geographical location, physical limitations, and other site-specific concerns were effectively represented. Furthermore, engagement with the HVA process was paired with “Rounding” efforts, where OEM staff surveyed the buildings with key clinical and management staff to ensure preparedness and response tools, such as Emergency Action Plans, phone trees, appropriate technology, and disaster kits are up to date. This Offsite HVA effort resulted in a well-rounded set of data for OEM to base it’s future disaster planning, as well as stronger partnerships between OEM and clinical site leaders.

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