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Functional Needs Populations at Risk – Making Connections



Functional Needs Summit May 29, 2014



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Functional Needs – Making Connections



- Approached businesses that care for at-risk populations (brochure, templates, forms)
- Set-up as Closed PODs
- Signed MOUs
- Developed Plans
- Attend Annual Meeting



Functional Needs – Making Connections



Partnerships with Community Partners serving at-risk populations:



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	<u>Staff</u>	<u>Family</u>	<u>At-Risk Pop.</u>	<u>Bldg.</u>
VNA	220	440	2000	1500
AM	275	1000	2000	--
GW	<u>700</u>	<u>2100</u>	<u>920</u>	<u>--</u>
	1195	3540	4920	1500

Total = 11,155

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COAD – Community Organizations Active in Disasters

- About 80 faith-based organizations
- Provide a variety of services
- HCPH attends regular meetings along with Red Cross and EMA

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“Caring for Those with Disabilities Workgroup”

- Public Health
- Greater Cincinnati Health Council
- Red Cross
- EMA
- Hamilton County Developmental Disability Services
- County EMS Agencies

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People with Medical Dependencies –
Ventilators, Feeding Tubes, etc.

Functional Needs Support Services – help
people maintain their independence in
shelters

Children and adults requiring FNSS may have physical,
sensory, mental health, and cognitive and/or
intellectual disabilities affecting their ability to function
independently without assistance

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Way to Reach Out to these Populations:

Public Information Network (PiN) –

- growing network of organizations (currently 76) in the Greater Cincinnati Area that have voluntarily agreed to serve as a channel of information to vulnerable, special and at-risk populations



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PIN members receive the same information that is disseminated to the general public and news media and alter the messages in various ways to meet the needs of individuals serviced by the organization.

“Trusted Source”

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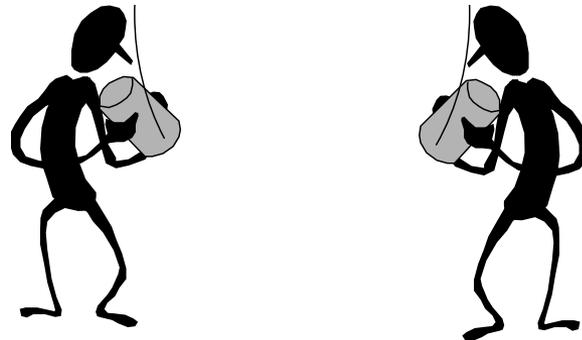
Examples of organizations that are a part of PIN include the following:

- Public Health Agencies
- Emergency Management Agencies
- First Responders
- Advocates and Alliances
- Ethnic Media Outlets
- Direct Service Providers
- Trusted Community Leaders such as Directors of faith-based organizations
- Organizations that have the trust of populations with functional needs.

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A high-speed calling system used to quickly deliver messages to organizations that are a part of PiN.



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Responsibilities of a PiN Member:

- Ensure PiN has up-to-date contact information for at least two members of each organization.
- Participate in exercise/drills to help maintain and evaluate this call out system.
- Adapt the emergency information/instructions to meet the communication needs of their clients (e.g. language translation).
- Distribute the information or alerts to a targeted audience in a timely manner.
- Assist with recruiting other members
- Advise PiN on new communication networks or techniques to reach vulnerable populations.

Questions????



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