**Exercise Safety**

**Controller/Evaluators**at each location will beresponsible for participant safety. The**Safety Officer (SOFR), Senior Controller and Exercise Director** have overall responsibility for Exercise Safety

**Controller/Evaluator Identification**

Controller/Evaluators will be identified with either a badge or vest.

**Weapons Policy**

No weapons of any kind are permitted in 1st Floor, MedSurg North venue of the exercise except simulated weapons approved by the SOFR.

**Actual Emergencies**

Real-world emergencies and participant safety take priority over exercise conduct. In a real-world emergency, notify the nearest **Controller** and state, **“This is a real-world emergency.”** Cease exercise play, and comply with exercise staff instructions.

**Accidents and Injuries**

All players have a basic responsibility to act as safety officers. Immediately report safety concerns, unsafe acts or conditions, injuries, and accidents to the nearest **Controller**.

**Exercise Schedule**

Thursday, October 4th, 2018

Moulaging Begins 0800

RTF Briefing and Participation 0845

C/E Check-in & Brief: 0900

Participant Check-in: by department

Start of Exercise (StartEx): 1000



**HOT WASH**

Time: Immediately after EndEx. A radio message to Controllers will designate time following the end of the exercise. HotWash will last no more than 30 minutes.

**Questions FROM PUBLIC**

**All personnel** should provide answers to patients, visitors, staff, and members of the public who are concerned about the exercise. Please tell anyone asking:

“Mercy Health is participating in an emergency preparedness exercise. During this exercise for our community, you may hear loud noises including gunshots or explosions. Please know that our hospital continues to be a safe place for you to receive care.”

Media contact should be directed to the nearest **Controller**, who will contact the Public Information Officer (PIO).

**Questions and Media Relations**

**All questions from media** regarding exercise play should be directed to **Media Liaison personnel from Mercy Health**. If no Media Liaison personnel are available, immediately notify a **Controller**.

**This is an exercise.**



**Dawn of a New Day MCI   
Full Scale and Functional Exercise**

**Player Information Handout**



**October 4th, 2018**

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**Purpose, Scope, and Scenario**

**Purpose**

This Full Scale/Functional Exercise is designed to test and evaluate the ability of **all** areas of hospitals to respond to a large influx of patients from a traumatic event. The exercise will also test the operations of Law Enforcement and EMS including use of the Rescue Task Force (RTF).

**Scope**

The Dawn of a New Day Full Scale Exercise will be conducted at Springfield Regional Medical Center on October 4, 2018 in response to a simulated terrorist threat. Some components will begin earlier, while the main exercise will begin at 10:00 AM. It is scheduled until approximately 1:00 PM, or until the **Exercise Director** and the **Senior Controller** have determined that the exercise objectives have been fully addressed.

**Scenario**

A simulated Joint Intelligence Bulletin is received stating that homegrown violent extremists appear to be interested in attacking healthcare institutions in our region. An attack then takes place using small arms fire and explosives. The attack results in a mass casualty incident (MCI) with numerous victims. Although in an actual incident, EMS would make every effort to distribute patients to multiple hospitals, for purposes of the exercise, victims will only be seen at Springfield Regional Medical Center and Mercy Health Urbana Hospital. EMS WILL TRANSPORT ONLY TO SRMC, with victims pre-staged at Mercy Urbana.

This exercise will be conducted as a no-fault learning environment and will evaluate existing plans, policies, and procedures as if players were responding to a real-world emergency. The exercise should not be viewed as a test or inspection of individual performance.

**target capabilities and exercise objectives**

The Exercise Planning Team has selected the following capabilities on which to focus the exercise. These capabilities form the basis of exercise evaluation.

Planning

Communications

Responder Safety and Health

Emergency Public Safety/Security Emergency Triage/Pre-Hospital

Treatment

Medical Surge

Community Preparedness and Participation

On-site Incident Management

**Communications**

Players MUST use all normal communication systems during the exercise including the Regional Hospital Notification System (RHNS), GDAHA Surgenet MCI Page, and the MCI Radio Talk Group, and all internal communications systems.

Players will communicate and coordinate only with participating entities included in the “Player Phone Book”. All other communication will go through the

**Simulations Cell (SimCell):**

937-523-1472 937-523-1473

937-523-1474 937-523-1475

937-523-1476

**All exercise messages begin and end with:**

**This is an exercise.**

**Participant Feedback Forms**

Please use the link on the Participant Feedback Form distributed at the end of the exercise to submit it online, or complete it and return it to a **Controller/Evaluator**.

**\*\*Assumptions and Artificialities**

* Nearly all areas of SRMC and Mercy-Urbana are playing, and players can call any department.
* **Personnel called at home should be asked how long it would take to respond, but TOLD NOT TO ACTUALLY COME TO THE HOSPITAL unless directed by their supervisor.**
* Use your plans, procedures, and best judgments, and try to respond as you would during an actual event. **Respond as if it were real!**
* Send patients to playing areas!
* Make all the phone calls! DO NOT simulate phone calls! If you need something, make the call! Virtually all areas of the hospital along with some other hospitals are playing (see Player Phone Book); use the SIMCELL for ANYONE else!
* If uncertain about anything, ask a supervisor, Controller, or the SimCell
* EDs and EMS will use (**GREEN**) Exercise Triage Tags.
* Treat patients. Move patients to all playing areas of the hospital
* There will be moulaged actors as injured victims; treat them, but ***NO INVASIVE PROCEDURES***(IVs, airway adjuncts, radiological examinations, etc.), and respect their privacy (i.e., do not strip them of all clothing).
* As practical, Players and Controllers should say out loud “This is an exercise message.”
* Each victim will have labeled, colored envelopes with progressive information. **Do not open envelopes except as indicated on the envelope!**