

Title: Conversion from the Alaska-1 Disaster Medical Assistant Team Pharmacy Cache to the Alaska Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response Pharmacy Cache

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Abstract Text:

Purpose:

- To implement the conversion from a Disaster Medical Assistance Team (DMAT) Pharmacy Cache to an Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response (ASPR) Multi-functional Pharmacy Cache in a geographically isolated area.

Methods:

- Local U.S. Public Health Service (USPHS) pharmacists were assigned to regularly maintain the pharmacy cache coordinating with HHS, Office of the Surgeon General, ASPR, Office of Emergency Management (OEM) and Mission Support Centers in California and Maryland.
- In 2016 the Alaska USPHS team of pharmacists was tasked to convert the initial AK-1 DMAT pharmacy package into ASPR Multi-functional Pharmacy Cache.

Results:

- Since the installation of the first AK-1 DMAT pharmacy package, the work of the Alaska USPHS officers and AK-1 DMAT staff has saved ASPR approximately \$100,000 (~\$25,000/rehabilitation).
- The conversion to the ASPR Multi-functional Pharmacy Cache contributes to stream-lining emergency response processes as well as contributing to HHS anticipated cost-savings of \$800,000 nationwide.

Conclusions:

- Local USPHS pharmacists contributed to the HHS cost-savings mission by stream-lining emergency response processes and implementing the conversion from a DMAT Pharmacy Cache to an ASPR Pharmacy Cache in a geographically isolated area.

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