Preparing your system for...

THE WORST CASE SCENARIO

Conflicts

- There are no conflicts to report...
  
  We all just want to be ready

School Violence

- 40% of active shooters (all) commit suicide
- Statistically a single perpetrator (98%)
- 97% male
- Average active shooter incident lasts 12 minutes
- Deadliest school incidents
  - 2012 Sandy Hook Elementary: 27 killed
  - 2007 Virginia Tech Massacre: 33 killed
  - 1927 Bath Township School Disaster (bomb): 45 killed
Goals

- Help identify challenges
- Share successes & best practices
- Provide tools & plans

Players:
- Law enforcement
- EMS (transport and/or nontransport)
- Facilities

Definitions

**Tactical EMS:** EMT’s & paramedics in a SWAT environment

**Dynamic Exercise:** Scenario evolves

**Static Exercise:** Circumstances do not change

**Role Players:** Actors playing parts in scenario

**Participants:** Those being tested

**Proctors/Controllers/Evaluators/Observers**

Our Experience

- 5 Exercises
  - 4 Dynamic Drills & 1 Static Drill
- 4 Academic Facilities
  - 2 High schools, a Junior high school (2 days, 4 total drills), and a University
- 6 Law enforcement agencies
- 4 Dispatch centers, 1 EOC & a disaster control facility
- 4 Fire departments
- 1 Ambulance service
- Approximately 300 responders, 150 role players, 40 controllers/proctors
**PACE**
- Dynamic drill with 2 shooters & explosives
- Planned in 16 days
- Tested our Response (Sandy Hook)
- Video footage being used for training

**What We Learned**
- Victims only left under their own power
- Law enforcement won't extricate
- Drama kids are dramatic

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**Davis High School**
- Dynamic drill with 2 shooters & hostages
- Extrication was a priority
- Planned in 4 months to test school procedures

**What We Learned**
- Cops want to shoot bad guys
- We protect our own
- Only 1 color needed for triage inside
- Law enforcement doesn't do ICS well

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- Dynamic drills with very little planning
- Testing ad hoc rescue teams
- 2 days with 2 drills each

**What We Learned**
- Increased drama improves intensity
- Ad hoc teams work, but need practice
- Tarps are good, backboards are not
- Need to list condition on patients
CSU Stanislaus

- 250 acre rural campus
- 9,000 students
- 800 faculty & staff
- Required to train on emergency preparedness
  - 1 tabletop per year
  - 1 drill per year
  - Functional exercise every other year
  - Full scale exercise every 5 years

CSU Stanislaus

- Static drill
- Planning took over a year
- Tested university PD and staff/faculty response

**What We Learned**

- Tactical EMS can lead the way
- School medical staff not a fit for disasters
- Politics of CSU & student residents unique

FEMA Training Resources

[www.training.fema.gov/is](http://www.training.fema.gov/is)

- IS-120.a An Introduction to Exercises
- IS-139 Exercise Design
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