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| **Welcome to the The Southwest Colorado Healthcare Coalition (SWCHCC) monthly newsletter!** The Southwest Colorado Healthcare Coalition is a collaboration of health care organizations, providers, public health departments, emergency medical services, emergency management agencies and community partners working together to enhance regional preparedness and response capabilities.SWCHCC promotes, develops, and works to enhance regional coordination for medical and public health system preparedness, response, and recovery.  **Our Mission**Coordinate and promote healthcare emergency preparedness and response activities for Coalition partners throughout the Southwest Colorado Region.  |

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| **SWCHCC Member Spotlight** |

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| This month we are highlighting the Pagosa Springs Medical Center EMS.  Pagosa Springs Medical Center EMS is the sole ground ambulance service providing Basic Life Support (BLS), Advanced Life Support (ALS) and Specialty Care Transport (SCT) to residents and guests of Archuleta County and parts of Hinsdale and Mineral Counties, covering 1800 square miles.  We are a hospital based service, operating under the Pagosa Springs Medical Center, a level IV Trauma Center.  We provide our community with 911 emergency response, interfacility transport, partner agency support and special event standby. Our team of 33 consists of highly skilled, professional full time and part-time/PRN Emergency Medical Technicians with IV certification, Paramedics and Paramedics with Critical Care Endorsement from the state of Colorado.  We boast some of the most progressive clinical protocols in the state of Colorado, recently being the first agency in the state to incorporate pre-hospital antibiotics for sepsis and trauma patients.  We have a total of 5 ambulances in service, 4 frontline units and 1 reserve unit.  The department typically staffs 6 people per day (enough to staff 3 ambulances) during peak volume periods and 5 people during off-peak periods.  Total call volume for 2018 year to date through October is 1,529. In addition to our clinical and operational services we operate a state recognized Training Center, providing continuing education for PSMC staff and regional partners, EMT courses and specialized trainings for EMS providers.  Through the training center we have created a robust community CPR program and have trained key community members in the Stop the Bleed campaign.  We believe that our responsibility reaches beyond clinical services, and that we have the opportunity to positively impact and influence the community through outreach and education.  |

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| **ASPR TRACIE**For those of you unfamiliar, ASPR is the Health & Human Services Office of the Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response.  ASPR leads the nation's medical and public health preparedness for, response to, and recovery from disasters and public health emergencies.  ASPR collaborates with hospitals, healthcare coalitions, biotech firms, community members, state, local, tribal, and territorial governments, and other partners across the country to improve readiness and response capabilities.  TRACIE is the Technical Resources, Assistance Center, and Information Exchange, created by ASPR to meet the information and technical assistance needs of regional ASPR staff, healthcare coalitions, healthcare entities, healthcare providers, emergency managers, public health practitioners, and others working in disaster medicine, healthcare system preparedness, and public health emergency preparedness.ASPR TRACIE provides a monthly newsletter full of resources that we can learn from and utilize.  In this section of the newsletter, we will highlight items from the monthly newsletter that seem relevant to our region.This month's newsletter has great information about Medical Surge and the Role of Health Clinics:   [https://files.asprtracie.hhs.gov/documents/aspr-tracie-engagement-of-health-clinics-in-surge.pdf](https://swchcc.us19.list-manage.com/track/click?u=4563d44d6255997806da8c35c&id=d5146acf79&e=6260cff1f5)  Also, a Hospital PPE Planning Tool, and an interview with Hospice services in Texas and their experience from the field: [https://files.asprtracie.hhs.gov/documents/aspr-tracie-hospice-and-emergency-preparedness.pdf](https://swchcc.us19.list-manage.com/track/click?u=4563d44d6255997806da8c35c&id=5cddb605f8&e=6260cff1f5)  |

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| **Thank you**Many thanks to our members who participated in the Access & Functional Needs Panel Discussion and who submitted HVA responses.  Your contributions to these activities help to strengthen the capabilities of the region.  |

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| **Deliverable Tracker**Interested in seeing how the SWCHCC is doing with their deliverables? Click on the "Grant Reporting Spreadsheet" button below.    |

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| [**SWCHCC Grant Reporting Spreadsheet**](https://swchcc.us19.list-manage.com/track/click?u=4563d44d6255997806da8c35c&id=e8dbb9dcb4&e=6260cff1f5)  |

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| **Upcoming Trainings & Events (Regional):**Psychological First Aid* **Location:** 281 Sawyer Drive, Durango - Larkspur Training Room
* **When:** Wednesday, December 19 from 9:00-12:00 pm
* **Registration:** [https://www.train.org/colorado/](https://swchcc.us19.list-manage.com/track/click?u=4563d44d6255997806da8c35c&id=d96e2155a0&e=6260cff1f5)
* **Registration ID:** 1020567
* [Psychological First Aid Flyer](https://swchcc.us19.list-manage.com/track/click?u=4563d44d6255997806da8c35c&id=94bfccc800&e=6260cff1f5)

Public Information Officer (PIO) & Joint Information Systems G290 & G291* **Location:** Berthoud Fire Protection District, Berthoud, CO
* **When:** Wednesday - Thursday, January 16-17 from 8:00-5:00 pm
* **Registration:** [https://www.train.org/colorado/](https://swchcc.us19.list-manage.com/track/click?u=4563d44d6255997806da8c35c&id=9ee598699d&e=6260cff1f5)
* **Registration ID:** 1024974
* [PIO Flyer](https://swchcc.us19.list-manage.com/track/click?u=4563d44d6255997806da8c35c&id=99476d0ff8&e=6260cff1f5)

Medical Countermeasures: Point of Dispensing (POD), Planning, and Response (MGT-319)* **Location:** La Plata County Fairgrounds
* **When:** March 19-20, 2019 from 8:00-5:00 pm
* **Registration:** [https://www.train.org/colorado/](https://swchcc.us19.list-manage.com/track/click?u=4563d44d6255997806da8c35c&id=d55fbafb50&e=6260cff1f5)
* **Registration ID:** 1081152

Pediatric Disaster Response and Emergency Preparedness (MGT-439)* **Location:** Mercy Regional Medical Center
* **When:** June 27-28, 2019 from 8:00-5:00 pm
* **Registration:** Contactsusantipton@centura.org970-764-1250
* [Peds Disaster Response Flyer](https://swchcc.us19.list-manage.com/track/click?u=4563d44d6255997806da8c35c&id=c11832e090&e=6260cff1f5)
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