

24	yes	DISSEMINATE notifiable disease information and reporting requirements and procedures to healthcare providers on a periodic basis			yes		yes						
25		ENSURE a system is established and functioning that provides rapid rule-out testing, referral, identification, confirmation, and characterization of biological threat agents including rapid reporting of results, during a BT event					yes						
26		ENSURE development and delivery of accurate event-specific, science-based risk communication messages to the public, to health care providers, to the media, and to the response community during a BT event			yes								
27	yes	ENSURE Level A laboratories can conduct "rule-out" testing, specimen packaging and handling, and referral of suspected biological threat agents to a higher level laboratory	yes	yes									
28		ENSURE that all BT plan components are developed by appropriate and knowledgeable staff by applying the following competencies:			yes								
29	yes	ENSURE that knowledge/skill gaps identified through emergency response planning, drills and evaluation are filled			yes								
30	yes	ENSURE that laboratories within the jurisdiction or agency have BT response plans	yes	yes									
31	yes	ENSURE that Level B and Level C laboratories have the capacity and proficiency to identify and confirm biological threat agents and can refer specimens to higher level laboratories for further characterization	yes										
32		ENSURE that the agency (or agency unit) has a written, updated plan for major categories of emergencies that respects the culture of the community and provides for continuity of agency operations			yes								
33	yes	ENSURE that the agency (or agency unit) regularly practices all parts of emergency response			yes								
34		ESTABLISH a public health communication infrastructure that receives and transmits data and information for decision support during a BT event			yes								
35	yes	ESTABLISH data collection protocols that systematically monitor community health indicators (e.g., aberrations in utilization trends or syndromic surveillance)					yes						
36	yes	ESTABLISH emergency communications roles and responsibilities for BT response			yes		yes		yes				
37	yes	ESTABLISH protocols for handling and distribution of the National Pharmaceutical Stockpile			yes		yes						
38	yes	ESTABLISH protocols to address public health surge capacity (+LO including use of volunteers)			yes	yes							
39		ESTABLISH redundant communication mechanisms for immediate and reliable voice and secure data communication during a public health emergency			yes								

40		ESTABLISH secure communication pathways for use in a BT event, including computer security policies and safeguards against data loss			yes								
41		ESTABLISH written Laboratory Response Network approved protocols		yes									
42	yes	ESTABLISH written policies and procedures for rapid specimen identification and electronic reporting of results		yes			yes						
43		EVALUATE every emergency response drill to identify needed internal/external improvements			yes								
44		EVALUATE/REVIEW the public health laws of the jurisdiction on a regular schedule, to assess that they are current and up-to-date pertaining to BT events			yes								
45		GENERATE a bioterrorism (BT) response plan for <your job category> that is integrated with the emergency response plan for the agency, by applying the following competencies:	yes	yes			yes			yes			
46	yes	GENERATE a public health bioterrorism (BT) response plan for the medical examiner's office that is integrated with the emergency response plan for the jurisdiction and includes a surge capacity plan							yes				
47		GENERATE plans to conduct risk assessments in public health emergencies			yes		yes						
48	yes	GENERATE regulations that provide the authority to conduct risk assessments in BT events			yes								
49		IDENTIFY Level A laboratories serving the jurisdiction or agency. (LB +Level B, C)		yes	yes								
50	yes	IDENTIFY pharmaceutical, veterinary, or other resources required for consultation by the agency or jurisdiction during BT response			yes								
51		IDENTIFY specific resources needed for BT response to critical biologic agents (Category A, B, C)	yes	yes	yes		yes						
52		IDENTIFY the needed components of a public health bioterrorism (BT) response plan that is integrated with overall emergency response plan for the agency			yes								
53		IDENTIFY your individual functional role in the agency's BT response plan (+CL including, as appropriate, protocols for administration of medication, equipment and supplies)	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes			yes	yes	yes	
54	yes	INTEGRATE the agency's BT response plan into the Incident Command or Unified Command System used by other responders (such as Fire, Police and EMS) in the jurisdiction			yes								
55	yes	MAINTAIN agent identification protocols to be used in the laboratory		yes									
56	yes	MAINTAIN agreements with partners from within the jurisdiction and from other jurisdictions to allow the public health agency to secure assistance and other resources			yes								

57		MAINTAIN an up-to-date directory of materials and resources on bioterrorism							yes		
58	yes	MAINTAIN contact and location information for Level B/C laboratories in the BT lab response network serving the agency or jurisdiction		yes	yes						
59	yes	MAINTAIN ongoing training to ensure specimen security, including transportation of specimens, limiting access to reference cultures, isolates, etc.		yes							
60		MAINTAIN regular communication with emergency response partners (includes maintaining a current directory of partners and identifying appropriate methods for contact in emergencies)			yes		yes				
61	yes	MAINTAIN regular communication with partner professionals in other agencies involved in emergency response (includes contributing to effective community wide response through leadership, team building, negotiation and conflict resolution)	yes			yes		yes	yes		yes
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63	yes	MAINTAIN written plans for 24/7 availability of specific staff and specialists required during a BT event	yes	yes	yes		yes		yes		
64		PARTICIPATE in continuing education to maintain up to date knowledge in areas relevant to emergency response (e.g., emerging infectious diseases, hazardous materials, diagnostic tests, etc.)	yes	yes		yes	yes	yes	yes		yes
65	yes	PREPARE public health personnel responding to a BT event regarding procedures of crime scene preservation, proper handling, transportation and storage of criminal evidence		yes				yes			
66	yes	SPECIFY safety measures to be taken by public health responders in a BT event, including use of personal protective equipment	yes	yes	yes	yes					
67	yes	TEST protocols for BT-specific communication and agency interaction at regular intervals with BT response partner agencies			yes						
68	yes	USE risk assessment of potential biological, chemical or radiological hazards in the community to determine the roles and responsibilities of those involved in public health BT response			yes		yes				
69	yes	ACTIVATE a call-down roster using 24-hour contact information to reach BT response staff and consultants			yes						
70		ACTIVATE emergency public health and infection control measures specific to the BT event			yes						
71		ACTIVATE enhanced active surveillance protocols to track the scope of the exposure or outbreak			yes		yes				
72		ACTIVATE redundant communication mechanisms for immediate and reliable voice and secure data communication during a public health emergency including two-way emergency communications			yes						
73		ACTIVATE the laboratory BT response plan			yes						
74		APPLY algorithms that trigger further epidemiological investigation					yes				

75	yes	APPLY appropriate techniques for preserving possible evidence at an incident site or medical facility				yes					
76	yes	COLLECT timely patient-based & health care utilization data on critical biological agent (Category A, B, C) (+ CD As appropriate to the specific emergency situation:)				yes	yes				
77	yes	COMMUNICATE decontamination and triage information on a specific BT event to partners in the response, as directed by PH Official or PH Incident Commander							yes		
78	yes	COMMUNICATE the need for assistance during a BT event to appropriate resources (+ PIO as directed by PH Official or PH Incident Commander)			yes				yes		
79	yes	CONTRIBUTE to the development of accurate event-specific science-based risk communication to the public, the media, health care providers and response community in a BT event	yes				yes				
80	yes	COORDINATE the development and delivery of event-specific information based on scientific principles of risk communication to inform the public, the media, health care providers and							yes		
81		members of the response community during a BT event									
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83		DEMONSTRATE proper safety and personal protection equipment procedures					yes				
84		DESIGNATE a media spokesperson during a BT event			yes						
85		DESIGNATE, or serve as, a media spokesperson during a BT event, as directed by PH Official or PH Incident Commander							yes		
86		ENSURE functioning of a system for rapid rule-out testing, referral, identification, confirmation, and characterization of biological threat agents including rapid reporting of results during a BT event		yes	yes						
87		ESTABLISH a system of triage for victims of BT events using incident-specific triage guidelines As appropriate to the specific emergency situation:				yes					
88	yes	ESTABLISH and/or SUPERVISE and/or PERFORM effective assessment, stabilization, diagnosis, and treatment of referral of victims of specific types of BT incidents involving a variety of agents, as appropriate to your functional role As appropriate to the specific emergency situation:				yes					
89	yes	FOLLOW written policies and plans in performing rule-out testing and referral in a BT event		yes							
90	yes	HANDLE human remains appropriately, addressing safety, psycho-social, and forensic needs						yes			
91	yes	IDENTIFY nuclear, biological or chemical agents from signs and clinical history, autopsy and other evidence						yes			

92	yes	IDENTIFY persons potentially exposed to a specific BT agent in need of public health and/or medical intervention As appropriate to the specific emergency situation:			yes	yes	yes				
93	yes	IDENTIFY the indicators, signs and symptoms for exposure to critical biologic agents (Category A, B, C) or to nuclear or chemical agents					yes				
94	yes	IDENTIFY the indicators, signs and symptoms for exposure to critical biological agent (Category A, B, C) As appropriate to the specific emergency situation:				yes					
95	yes	IMPLEMENT Laboratory Response Network approved protocols		yes							
96	yes	IMPLEMENT the public health emergency response plan			yes						
97	yes	IMPLEMENT your individual BT response functional role	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
98		INITIATE appropriate and coordinated communication with the public, the media, and health care providers and the response community during an incident							yes		
99	yes	ISOLATE and contain victims of a BT event, as appropriate				yes					
100		PERFORM your individual communication responsibilities during a BT event			yes						
101		PROVIDE public health support as needed for victims and responders within the jurisdiction's response plan			yes	yes					
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103		REQUEST implementation of the public health emergency response plan					yes				
104		SUPERVISE the triage of victims of BT events using incident-specific triage guidelines				yes					
105	yes	TRIAGE victims of BT events using incident-specific triage guideline				yes					
106	yes	USE established communication systems for coordination among the response community during a BT event (+ PIO as directed by PH Official or PH Incident Commander AND including those for privileged information)	yes	yes	yes	yes			yes		
107		USE event specific information and scientific principles of risk communication to develop and deliver information to the public, the media, health care providers and the response community during a BT event						yes			
108	yes	USE event-specific information and scientific principles of risk communication to inform the public, the media, health care providers and the response community during a BT event			yes						
109		USE proper safety and personal protection procedures and equipment				yes					
110	yes	USE the agency BT Incident Command management structure	yes		yes				yes		
111		USE the agency's BT-specific public information plans, protocols and materials in a BT event			yes						

112	yes	APPLY appropriate science-based public health measures to ensure continued population protection appropriate to the biological threat involved, (+ CD including follow up of those exposed, vaccinated, or quarantined)	yes		yes		yes				
113		DEFINE algorithms that trigger further epidemiological investigation					yes				
114	yes	ENSURE ongoing support for the psychological impact of a BT or weapons of mass destruction event on the families of victims						yes			
115	yes	ENSURE that knowledge/skill gaps identified through emergency response evaluation are filled			yes						
116	yes	EVALUATE every emergency response to identify needed internal/external improvements			yes						
117		MAINTAIN the delivery of appropriate and accurate information to the public, the media, health care providers and the response community as required by the specific event							yes		
118	yes	RECOGNIZE and TREAT the psychological impact of a BT event on victims and health care professionals, as appropriate to the event				yes					