

Because Every Day is Father's Day!



Let's play trivia!

- ❖ What year was the first enclosed backyard grill introduced?
- ❖ Roberto Clemente spent his entire 18-year Major League Baseball Career with one of the following teams:
 - Baltimore Orioles
 - Pittsburgh Pirates
 - Brooklyn Dodgers
 - Detroit Tiger
- ❖ What decade did the modern tie first appear?
 - 1900s
 - 1910s
 - 1920s
 - 1930s



Interagency Council on Homelessness

ERSO Committee



June 23, 2023



Convention for Recording ICH Committee Meetings:

- ❖ Recording for purposes of complying with the open meeting act requirements
- ❖ Available for anyone who requests a copy at ich.info@dc.gov.

Meeting Agenda



- I. **Welcome & Agenda Review (10 mins, includes 5 min icebreaker)**
 - a) Intros & Call for Announcements
 - b) Adopting Prior Meeting Notes & Managing the Listserv
- II. **System Check-In (20 mins)**
 - a) Air Quality Emergency Planning (HSEMA/DHS)
 - b) Operational Shifts (DHS)
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Intro & Call for Announcements



❖ Intros:

- Chat intros for attendees: name, pronouns, org, title/role
- Quick round of hellos from Co-Chairs and ICH staff with formal roles leading or supporting meeting

❖ Call for Partner Announcements/Reminders:

- Please “chat” any significant partner announcements, especially those changes/updates that impact the system
- We will make time on the agenda, as appropriate, or include in the notes

Adopting Notes & Managing the Listserv



❖ **Adopting Prior Meeting Notes:**

- Automatically adopted unless meeting attendees flag issues
- Generally, ICH team sends out meeting notes within a week
- Please review as soon as possible and flag any errors/issues
- If we don't hear back within a week, assuming good to adopt

❖ **Managing the Listserv:**

- Meeting materials are only distributed to listserv members
- If you are **not** on the listserv, you will **not** receive materials
- To join the listserv, email ich.info@dc.gov

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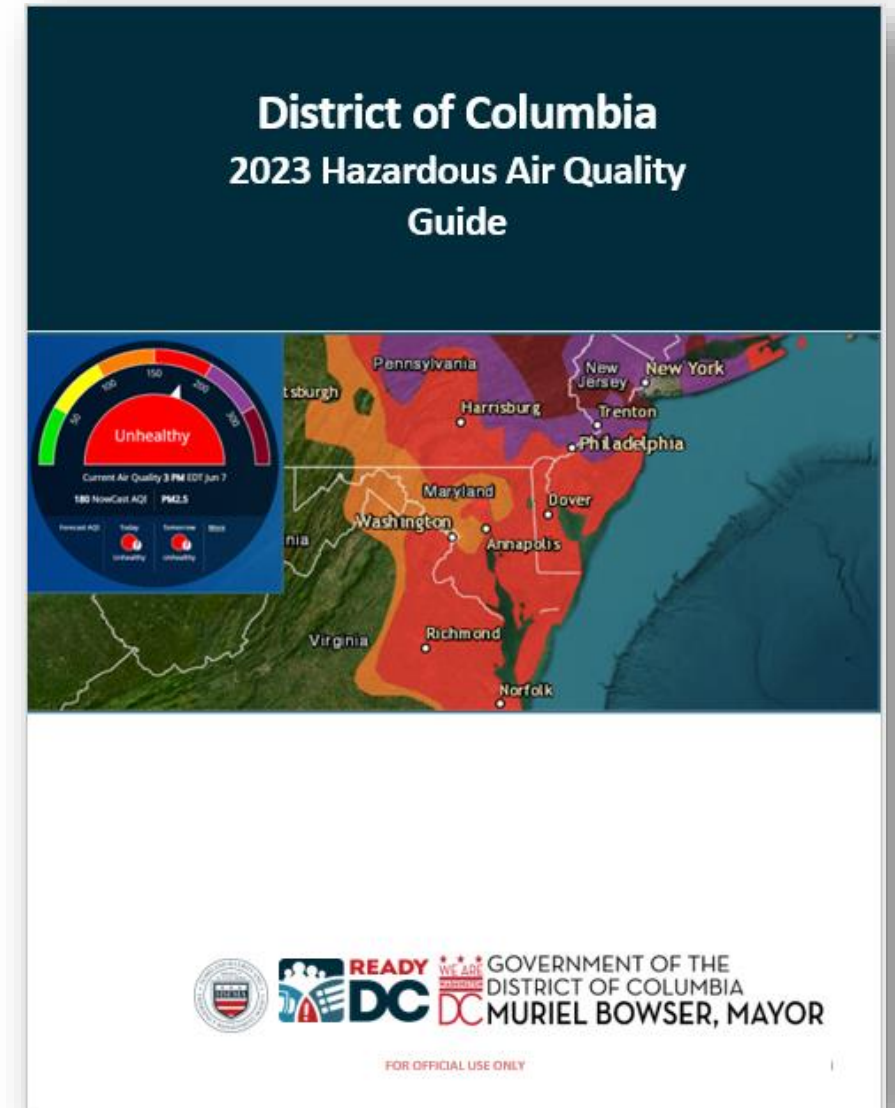


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Hazardous Air Quality Event – June 2023

■ Summary of Actions and Outcomes

- DOEE reported Code Red on 6/07/23 as a result of smoke from Canadian wildfires
 - DOEE coordinates with MWCOG and DC HSEMA for notification for Air Quality
- Emergency Operations Center escalated to a Level 3: Enhanced Watch to support partner coordination
 - Including: DOEE, DC Health, ICH, DHS, OCP, DPR, OSSE, DCPS, DCPL, DC Fire, EOM Communication, and more
 - Modification of government services
 - Health advisory information
 - Public notifications and services
- Outcomes
 - Tasked with the creation of the Hazardous Air Quality Guide
 - Messaging templates are pre-translated and approved to be ready to go for future events
 - Continued partner collaboration



Operation Shifts

- Additional water delivered to LBS and the community
- Extra masks were provided to reduce the risk of exposure
- Extended Day Center hours for Purple Alert Air Quality days
- Reality –the air quality is going to get worse
- District incorporating Air Quality into Continuity of Operations Planning efforts

Air Quality Continuity of Operations Planning

- Different agencies, partners, and vendors are collaborating to devise a COOP to address unusual situations such as air quality, hurricanes, etc.
- COOP will allow us to ensure we can continue to perform the mission-essential functions during a wide range of emergencies.
- To ensure the shelter system can continue essential daily functions.
- COOP requires planning for any event:
 - natural, human-caused,
 - technological threats, and
 - national security emergency – causing an agency to relocate to an alternate location if needed

Key Discussion Questions



- ❖ Did people know there was an air-quality event?
- ❖ Did our staff and consumers understand the shifts in severity?
- ❖ Did people come inside?
- ❖ When and how did your organization shift your operations? How did you mobilize your teams?
- ❖ How can we better support your teams?

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How To Engage with Law Enforcement



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Advantages of Non-Congregate Sites

- **Many clients avoid low barrier shelters**
 - Offers privacy not available in low barrier shelters
 - Offers an opportunity to clients who are not easily served
- **Clients with medical vulnerabilities cannot be adequately served in low barrier shelters**
 - Shelters offer clinic services, not daily nursing or professional staff
- **Creates "flow" throughout the CoC**
 - Requires case management
 - Includes built-in exit timelines
- **Supports the Mayor's commitment to making homelessness rare, brief, and non-recurring.**

Who will be served at the Aston

- I. Medically Vulnerable (*Chronic conditions*)
- II. Clients who are matched to a housing resource through CAHP
- III. Individuals who cannot be served in our other shelters:
 - A. Couples
 - B. Mix gendered adult families
Currently, adult families of different genders must access separate shelters
 - C. Clients in need of medical respite bed
Acute conditions; respite meaning short-term, acute, recuperative stays

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Medically Vulnerable

Documentation of one or more of the following:

End stage renal disease (dialysis dependent)	Severe respiratory illness such as severe COPD with O2 requirement
Paralysis that impairs Activities of Daily Living (such as stroke, trauma, etc.)	Major Neurocognitive disorder (formerly called dementia)causing severe impairment
Congestive Heart Failure with exacerbations	Liver disease
Active cancer diagnosis/treatment	Chronic lung disease
Difficult to control Insulin-Dependent Diabetes Mellitus(IDDM)	Severe neurodegenerative disorders such as ALS and severe MS
AIDS poorly controlled	Sickle Cell Disease
Severe vision impairment	Cerebrovascular disease

Low Barrier Shelter vs. Non-Congregate Shelter

	LBS	Non-Congregate
Admission	Low Barrier – All client are offered a bed subject to availability. Admission was first-come, first-served.	Transitional – Clients will be issued a bed subject to an admissions criterion such as medical vulnerability, unable to serve in our current shelters, or matched to housing. Clients will be admitted through our coordinated entry (CHAP) process.
Bed Configuration	High Density – Several congregate sleeping rooms with several clients in the same area, including some bunkbeds, shared bathrooms.	Pairs – Two to a room with a bathroom for each individual suite.
Case Mgt.	Even when offered, clients in a low barrier shelter are not required to participate in case management. DHS and provider staff.	Clients will be required to participate in case management as a condition of admission and in order to continually reside at the Aston. This is a key component of our NCS strategy.
Gender	Single Sex (*except LGBTQ)	Men, women, and non-conforming genders will be served.

Suggested Services and Needs?

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Winter Plan: Process & Timeline



- ❖ Identify key areas of amendments/modifications, including new sections to add
- ❖ ICH Team to edit the plan & send it to the Committee via email for review and feedback
- ❖ July ERSO meeting to review conflicting or unclear recommendations
- ❖ August ERSO meeting to review and finalize for
- ❖ September Full Council meeting and adoption of the Winter Plan

Key Question for Today



What are the key areas of amendments/modifications, including new sections to add?



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Feedback



Concerns, Q&A, Recommendations, etc:

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