

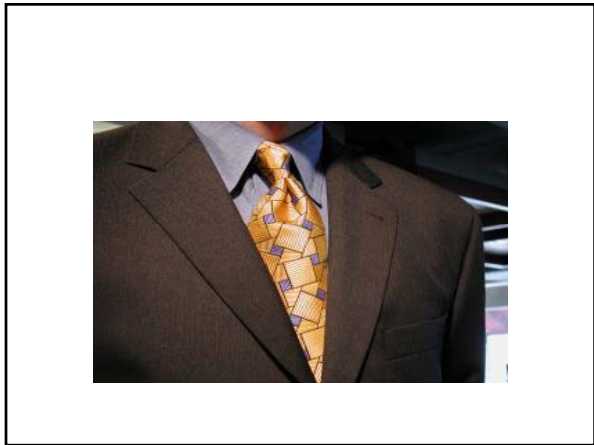
**BETTER TOGETHER:
COUNTY/PROVIDER PARTNERSHIPS**

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**What do the following things have
in common?**



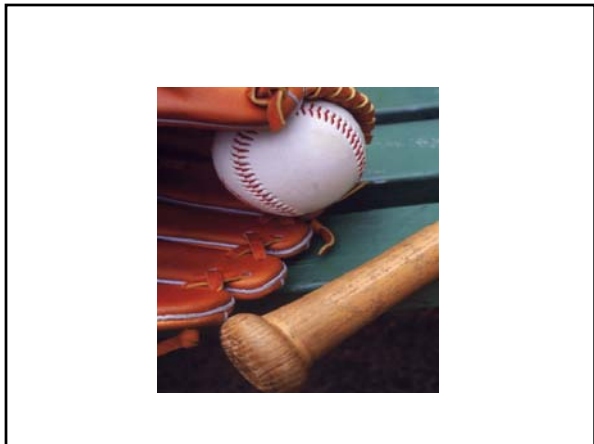














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HOW IT ALL STARTED

2006

- Contra Costa Public Health focused on forming partnership with SNFs
 - Not as regulatory agency but a local planning partner
 - SNFs are valuable resources to the community
 - Health Services reviewed emergency plans
 - Link to community resources, technical assistance and support to improve SNFs emergency plans
 - Start the process of coordinating with local officials

2007



2008

- Pan Flu Table top exercise
- Alternate Care Site Planning Team
 - Surge Capacity Survey of SNFs in Contra Costa
 - Eye opener for the County
 - Interim Healthcare Surge Plan 7/2008
- Medical/Health Preparedness Forum

HPP GRANT

- Priority Project:
 - Partnership between healthcare entities (SNFs) and public health
 - Strengthen emergency planning and response
 - Sharing of information and resources
 - Document plans of communication
 - Expanding providers participating in partnership
 - Drills and exercises
 - Use of HPP Grant money

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- Emergency Preparedness for Long-Term Care Facilities Symposium
 - Best Practices in SNF Emergency Preparedness
 - Licensing and Certification Expectations
 - Communications Workshop

2009

- H1N1 – county-wide debriefing (June 18,2009)
 - LTC representatives met in small round table groups with Dr. William Walker, Health Services Director for CCC
- 440Mhz radios installations in 32/34 SNFs
- ALARMS access given to LTC facilities
- Half-day training sessions on the Incident Command System (ICS) and National Incident Management System (NIMS)
- CAHAN training/access

ASSET LOGISTICS AND RESOURCE MANAGEMENT SYSTEM - ALARMS



CALIFORNIA HEALTH ALERT NETWORK - CAHAN



MOVING FORWARD

- LTC is a focus in the 2009-2010 HPP Grant
- Implementation of monthly 440 MHz Radio Drills
- Training – ICS and NIMS
- Get all SNFs registered with ALARMS and CAHAN
- Implementation/Operational use of Radios
- Continued partnership between SNFs and County Emergency Services and Public Health Agencies

HOW CAN YOU BECOME A PARTNER WITH
YOUR COUNTY?

“YES”

WHY WOULD YOU WANT TO PARTNER WITH
YOUR COUNTY?

We are Better Together!
