

#	Question	Answer	Question Time	Answered Time	Answer Name
1	Does NYS use 2-Pam chloride or CANAs for nerve agent antidote since you brought up diazepam	The container has 2pam auto-injectors and vials that need to be reconstituted. They also have Diazepam, and atropine sulfate in auto-injector and vial forms. Seizalam (midazolam) vials have also been added to the containers a few years ago when there was a shortage on diazepam. A few containers in the state now have DouDote injectors as they have started to become available.	7/25/2023 13:12	7/25/2023 13:16	Robert Tinney
2	Are there any pediatric considerations? Dosing recommendations?	We don't have resources for specific dosing recommendations for dispensing the meds. The Atropine Sulfate auto-injectors come in .5 and 1.0 versions that can be used as appropriate for pediatric needs. Other than that the vials would need to be used.	7/25/2023 13:17	7/25/2023 13:20	Robert Tinney
3	Is every hospital in NYS either a HUB or a spoke of a HUB?	No, the Hub hospitals were selected years ago to distribute the resources around the state and spokes were split off of them. Not every hospital has the resources to be able to handle these types of patients. Outside NYC there are 72 sites that are Hub sites.	7/25/2023 13:21	7/25/2023 13:25	Robert Tinney
4	Is there any guidance that is available for those hospitals who have no resources? thank you for your response.	Not specifically from NYSDOH. I would suggest you discuss with your county EM coordinator to discuss the local plan and how your hospital might be involved or what you might do if the assets in the CHEMPACK container are needed at your site.	7/25/2023 13:30	7/25/2023 13:32	Robert Tinney
5	Can you split up one of the allocations if needed? If you need more for EMS than a spoke hospital, can a spoke hospital allocation go somewhere else either in part or whole.	short answer Yes, during an event. The hospital, county EM, State or ASPR might need to change things as needed to meet the specific need for the incident. The breakout sheets are for rapid response, but might be changed as needed. Additionally if additional resources are needed, we would help to coordinate opening containers outside the area for resupply.	7/25/2023 13:34	7/25/2023 13:38	Robert Tinney

		In the end it all comes down to the local plan, but if ever needed there can be coordination with other partners to expand as needed. The containers and where they are stored can not be split up for security and tracking purposes.			
6	How are event planners made aware to let someone (and who) know that a potentially high attendance event is being planned?	There are regulations in place for reporting high attendance events. We don't get involved in that part (I think it goes through BEMS). Most high attendance events have no need for additional CHEMPACK resources, if there was an event that had a credible threat or need for the assets the county and regional NYSDOH staff would be having discussions and a request for the special events container can be made. However a full plan for using the assets must be in place, responding to the event, and safety and security for the container all come into play. The special events containers being deployed happens very rarely, but if there is a need and the conditions are met we will support the request to the best of our ability.	7/25/2023 13:38	7/25/2023 13:45	Robert Tinney
7	Is there regulations on who can transport the assets? Is it required to be LE?	It does not have to be LE. As long as the proper paperwork for the transfer of the assets is filled out anyone can transport the products. The advantage of LE is the lights and sirens	7/25/2023 13:51	7/25/2023 13:53	Kevin Goldstein
8	Who can administer the antidotes? Does it have to be a clinician?	This depends on your local plans/regulations. We don't have guidance on this one, it does come down to the local plans.	7/25/2023 13:51	7/25/2023 13:53	Robert Tinney
9	During our tabletop, crossing jurisdictions was an important consideration	This comes up a lot, this is another case with using local law enforcement comes into play. If LE can't cross jurisdictional borders the fastest answer would be for the second LE to escort the first once they cross the border. This saves the time of switching assets from one vehicle to another	7/25/2023 13:52	7/25/2023 13:55	Robert Tinney
10	Are there any training tools for staff on ChemPack usage?	Yes, it comes up in a few more slides. We have 4 training containers that we can send out to Hub sites to use during trainings/exercises as needed.	7/25/2023 13:56	7/25/2023 13:56	Robert Tinney

11	Who do we contact to request the training containers ?	Contact the chempack@health.ny.gov and we will respond with the requesting paperwork	7/25/2023 14:08	7/25/2023 14:08	Kevin Goldstein
CHAT	Please explain what an in-person sustainment is.	<p>An in-person sustainment would include one person from ASPR/SNS and a person from NYSDOH Logs, will be on the road in NYS for 6 weeks total going from site to site with a FedEx truck delivering and replacing the expired meds as needed. In the past few years they have been switching to a dropship model where the meds will be delivered via UPS and exchanged by the pharmacist at the site.</p> <p>During an in-person sustainment is a great opportunity for in person training of other hospital staff, and outside partners that don't normally get to see the container opened.</p>		13:20	Robert Tinney
		STMS = SNS Temperature Monitoring System		13:27	Robert Tinney
		Colored labels are applied to each box in a container either by NYSDOH (for in person sustainment) or by the Pharmacist (Hub hospital during dropship sustainment), according to the breakout sheet that is stored on the front of each container.		13:29	Robert Tinney
	Is transport defined by ground only?	<p>If it was an in-person sustainment, yes the transport would be all on the ground as DOH and Fed staff would be traveling with the delivery truck. If it was a drop shipment then it would be up to the delivery company how it arrives</p> <p>Transport doesn't need to be by ground only, in the North country they use the helicopter as part of their transport plans if needed to get the resources to a hospital that might not be able to be reached in under the 1hour timeline.</p>		13:30	Robert Tinney

		EMS containers (and EMS spokes in Hospital containers) contain more auto-injectors and hospital based spokes would typically contain more injectables.		13:34	Robert Tinney
	there are three spoke hospitals with no hub attached, how do they get their Chempack?	There are no spoke hospitals without a hub hospital, but there are hubs without spokes. There are a set number of containers assigned by ASPR by SNS and that number will not change at this point. Unless a hospital closes or chooses to no longer participate in the program, containers will no be reassigned to other sites. If there is valid reason to add a spoke to a hub hospital that conversation can happen, but would begin an the local level.		13:41	Robert Tinney
		In the rare occurrence of a product not being usable for some reason the Hub site will be notified and a quarantine notice attached to the container.  Another great thing about in-person sustainments, we will let you open the container and practice!		13:48	Robert Tinney
	Can we please get a list of all of the HUBS in NYS and spokes?	We don't share that information about specific sites. If you contact your county EM they can get you involved in the local plan as needed/appropriate.		14:03	Robert Tinney
		Occasionally we in Logistics get asked to review the local plans, while we don't/can't help write your plans or offer too much guidance we can offer some insight into planning or fill in some best practices that might be added.		14:08	Robert Tinney
		If you do want to request a training container we suggest the further out the request time the better. We can lock in your dates before someone else requests the same times		14:02	Kevin Goldstein