

**Infectious Disease Task Force Meeting Summary**  
**June 17, 2009**  
**625 Fifth Street, Santa Rosa, CA**  
**North City View Room**

**Present:** Laura Barnthouse, Ann Cadgene, Kim Caldewey, Marty Castro, Joshua Danner, Lucinda Gardner, Gary Green, Marion Johnston, Ron Keith, and Rebecca Purcell

**Action Items brought forward:**

- Mark and Ann will meet to discuss past accomplishments of the IDTF
- Mark will look into inviting a representative from EMS and the local veterinary association to join IDTF
- Mark will address in his next meeting with the State on the issues of MRSA and posting to our PH Website.
- Mark will print-out our last survey, the table in the PH Summary Report and the MRSA guidelines

**Action Items:**

- Marty will send out the link to Mark
- Members will continue to assess the communication issues

**Updates:**

**Pandemic H1N1 update – Lucinda**

Lucinda gave her report covering statistical information in local, national and global areas covering active cases, deaths, confirmed cases and the targeted age groups. It was noticed that there were issues around communication in a surge capacity. We have had five Health Alerts so far and Lucinda was inquiring if the email alerts worked? There is continuing activity and we are monitoring it. We expect the H1N1 Flu Vaccine will be available in the Fall. For additional information and updates, please visit our website: [www.sonoma-county.org/health/ph/index.htm](http://www.sonoma-county.org/health/ph/index.htm)

**Fairweather Flu Exercise – Kim**

Kim reminded members of the statewide “Fairweather Flu” Exercise that is scheduled on 6/18/2009. Most of our partners will participate in a functional setting and Public Health Preparedness is not required to participate, but will exercise Communication using Ham Radio operations.

**What’s “Hot in Disease Control – Rebecca**

Rebecca reported on the H1N1 Pandemic Flu outbreak in Sonoma County. These reports include an outbreak in a Community Living Center where seven healthcare workers tested positive and a Summer Camp where two camp counselors tested positive. She also reported on the increased activity of Rabies, Gold Fever and Pertussis in Sonoma County. She mentioned that Pertussis is no longer seasonal.

**West Nile Virus – Marty**

Marty gave his report covering statistical information on West Nile Virus testing positive in Mosquito, birds, and horses and in Sonoma. Also included in this report were the deaths that resulted from the West Nile Virus. Statewide, West Nile Virus is down from last year. Dr. Green reported on statistical information on data collection of Ticks for Lab processing. For additional information, please visit our website: [www.msamosquiot.com](http://www.msamosquiot.com)

**NEXT MEETING:**  
**Wednesday, June 17, 2009**  
**Time: 9:00 a.m. to 10:30 p.m.**  
**South City View Room**