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The progress of the establishment of public health emergency response mechanism

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I. Establish a commanding system for public health emergency response

The state council and governments at all levels will establish headquarters for emergencies, which are responsible for guiding, coordinating and integrating the efforts of relevant departments so as to take effective measures.
The emergency response office in MOH are responsible for:

1. coordinating the handling of public health emergencies according to the law
2. drafting relevant laws, regulations; organizing the formulation of relevant guidelines, policies and measures; formulating emergency response plans, rehearsing the plans
3. establish and improve public health monitoring and early-warning system
4. organize the training of professionals, guide the implementation of plans at all localities, help and guide the relief work for the sick and the injured
5. coordinate the work related to public health in major incidents such as disaster relief, anti-terrorism, poisoning, radiation leak etc.
6. organize the treatment and relief for the injured in major accidents
II. improve the information network of public health emergencies and key contagious diseases

Establish and improve the information notification system for contagious diseases. Establish a disease information network covering the all the provinces and villages and guided by the central government.
III. further enhance the disease prevention and control system

At the national, provincial, municipal and country level, disease prevention and control institutions are established, responsible for the prevention and control of disease, early-warning and treatment of public health emergencies, disease information collection and report, monitoring, checking and assessment, health education and public health promotion and safeguarding safety.
IV. enhance the establishment of emergency medical care and relief

Implement the Plan for the Establishment of Public Health Medical Care and Relief System. And basically establish a medical care system within three years, which is in line with the national realities, covering urban and rural areas, with multiple functions, sensitive, coordinated and sustainable.
V. Establish a team of emergency relief staff

All localities should establish medical relief staff teams to respond to unexpected emergencies. These teams will be the major taskforces.
VI. Formulate National Emergency Response Plans for Public Health Emergencies

In the spirit of “prevention is most important and always be ready”, the plan had specific requirements for technology, materials, finance. At the same time, the Plan has standardized the reporting, notification and information disclosure of public health emergencies and emphasized the importance of scientific research, international cooperation, public education and mobilization of all social sectors in the response to public health emergencies.
Procedures for the handling of public health emergencies.

According to the principle of response at different levels, headquarters at relevant levels should be established to coordinate and guide the work, such as:

1. disease monitoring and reporting
2. medical relief
3. disease investigation and control
4. information disclosure, press publicity and health education
5. financial and material guarantee of emergencies
6. international exchanges and cooperation
7. disease closure and assessment
The effective and proper handling of public health emergencies involves the sustainable economic development and social stability as well as national security. To enhance the public health emergency response mechanism will help safeguard people’s life security and health and will contribute to sustained and coordinated development of the economy and society.
Thank you!