

ABOUT Us

Emergency Medical Services (EMS) **Health Emergency Management** collaborates with County departments, local cities and special districts to coordinate the OC Health Care Agency's all hazards planning and emergency response functions which include:



EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES (EMS)

HEALTH EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

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New Website

www.ochealthinfo.com/ems



Community and Healthcare

Preparedness



Community and Healthcare Resilience



Health Emergency Operations



Countermeasures and Mitigation



Health and Clinical Response

Coordination



**COMMUNITY HEALTH
PREPAREDNESS AND RESPONSE**



GET INVOLVED



Volunteer with the Orange County Medical Reserve Corps, a nationally recognized disaster response volunteer program at www.orangecountymrc.com.

Register for AlertOC, a mass notification system to keep you informed of emergencies and community events at www.alertoc.com.



FUNCTIONS & CAPABILITIES

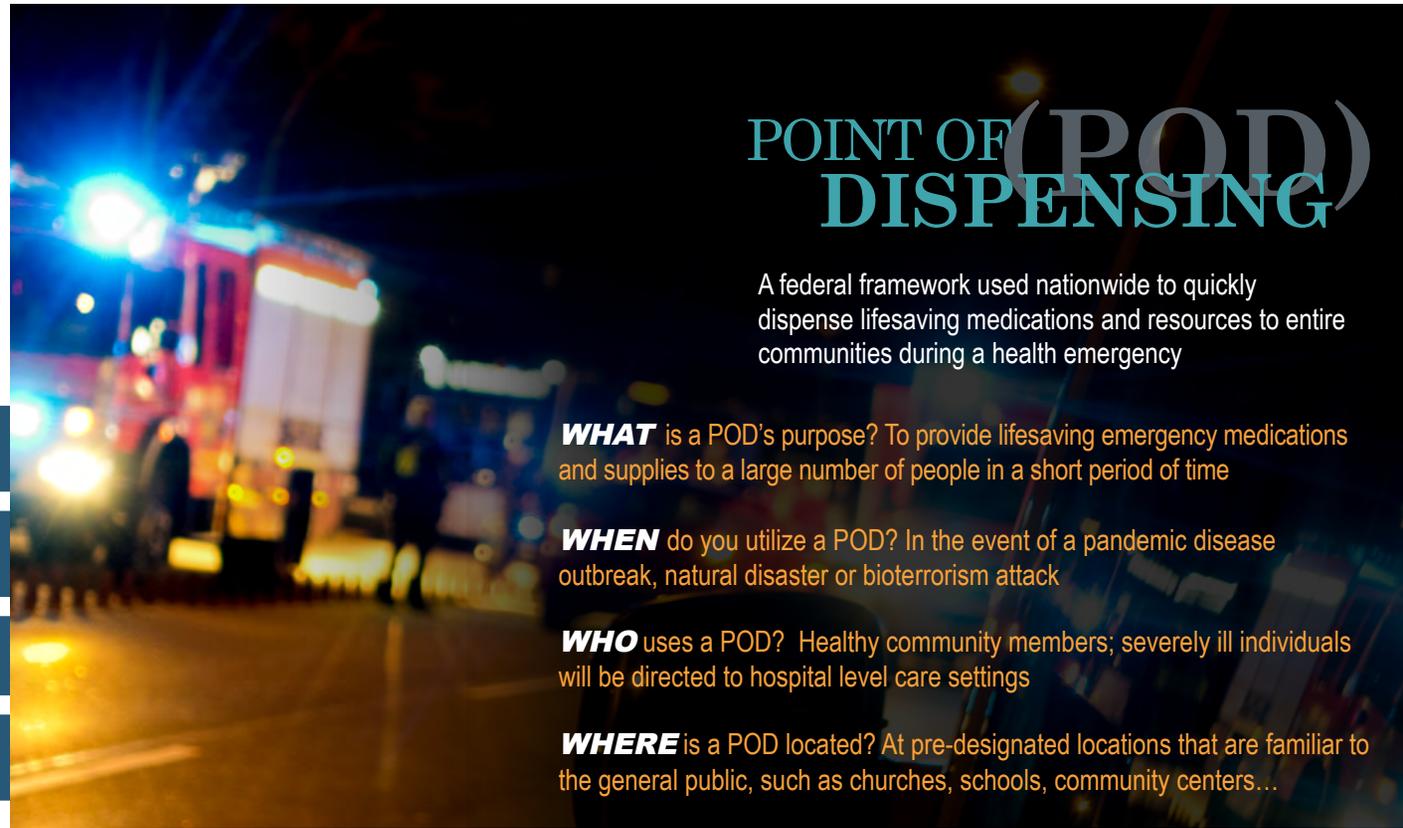
Health Emergency Management (HEM) creates community and healthcare infrastructures to prepare the system to respond to and recover from a disaster. HEM's foundation in community health, healthcare, and medical preparedness builds sustainability and resiliency for different types of emergencies. Examples of functions and capabilities include:

Unites healthcare providers to build preparedness capabilities across a spectrum of healthcare facilities

Supports healthcare preparedness and response for communities throughout the county

Serves as a liaison with federal, state and local agencies to support health needs during disasters

Acts as the coordinating center for health and medical response



POINT OF (POD) DISPENSING

A federal framework used nationwide to quickly dispense lifesaving medications and resources to entire communities during a health emergency

WHAT is a POD's purpose? To provide lifesaving emergency medications and supplies to a large number of people in a short period of time

WHEN do you utilize a POD? In the event of a pandemic disease outbreak, natural disaster or bioterrorism attack

WHO uses a POD? Healthy community members; severely ill individuals will be directed to hospital level care settings

WHERE is a POD located? At pre-designated locations that are familiar to the general public, such as churches, schools, community centers...

CITIES READINESS INITIATIVE (CRI)

CRI is a federal program created to address a national need to improve communities' medical mass distribution of medications and medical supplies during large scale public health emergencies.

OC HCA uses CRI to develop, test and maintain mass distribution plans through programs such as the Point of Dispensing Program (POD).

COMMUNITY PREPAREDNESS & RESPONSE

Every year, HCA tests local POD sites so that the community can learn where to go during a public health emergency. If a POD is activated, HCA will provide public information through:

- AlertOC
- Facebook
- Twitter
- OCgov.com

Please contact events@ochca.com to find the closest POD site and to stay informed!

HEALTH STRATEGIC OPERATIONS CENTER

The Health Strategic Operations Center (HSOC) provides real-time, coordinated response to natural or manmade disasters, disease outbreaks and other public health emergencies.

The HSOC consists of:

- The Health Emergency Operations Center (HEOC)
- Local Distribution Center (LDC)
- Strategic National Stockpile (SNS) resources