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**Greater New York Hospital Association
Briefing on Strategies to Enhance Health Care Workers' Competency,
Ability, and Willingness to Respond to Disasters
Tuesday, June 29, 2004
GNYHA Conference Center**

AGENDA

I. Welcome and Introductions

Terri A. Straub, RN, MBA
Vice President Quality and Patient Safety
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II. Recent study results:

Emergency Preparedness and Response Competencies for Hospital Workers:

Developed by an expert consensus panel and refined in focus groups at GNYHA facilities, these competencies are a tool to aide emergency response planning and training.

Kristine Gebbie, RN, DrPH
Director, Center for Health Policy
Columbia University School of Nursing

Ability and Willingness of Hospital Workers to Report to Work during an Emergency: Over six thousand workers in 47 GNYHA member facilities participated in this study of reported ability and willingness to report to work during various types of emergencies in the community.

Kristine Qureshi, RN, DNSc
Program Director, Center for Public Health Preparedness
Columbia University, Mailman School of Public Health

Bioterrorism Training Needs of Hospital Staff:

Directors of Emergency Departments, Infection Control, Infectious Disease and Nursing at 47 GNYHA member facilities participated in this study conducted by the Columbia University Center for Public Health Preparedness in collaboration with the New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene.

Barbara N. Samuels, MD, MPH
Medical Specialist, BT Training Unit
Bureau of Public Health Training
NYC Department of Health and Mental Hygiene

Break

Panel Discussion:

Strategies to Enhance Health Care Workers Competency, Ability and Willingness for Responding to Disasters

Robyn Gershon, DrPH
Terri A. Straub, RN, MBA
Kristine Qureshi, RN, DNSc
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