Marion County
Medical Multi-Agency Coordination Center
DAILY SITUATIONAL AWARENESS BRIEF
June 28, 2011

COMMON OPERATING PICTURE
Air Quality Index – 25 (good)
Today’s Forecast – Good
Pollen Count – 1.2 (low)
UV Index – 8 (very high)
Radiation Level - Beta Gross Count Rate (CPM): 28 (within normal range)

NATIONAL TERRORISM ADVISORY SYSTEM - No Active Alerts

THREAT ANALYSIS
Robberies of pharmacies are increasing, as are the levels of violence and deaths associated with these robberies. According to the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration, 380 armed robberies of pharmacies were committed in 2006, and 686 were committed in 2010: an increase of 81%.

ACTION STEPS
Remain vigilant for suspicious behavior and promote safety in pharmacy settings
[1] The following is reproduced here from the National Community Pharmacists Association (NCPA), Purdue Pharma L.P., which has introduced a plan to prepare pharmacists (and other staff) to REACT during robberies:
Remain Calm
+ Comply with suspect
+ Do not resist
+ End encounter as soon as possible
Eye Witness
+ Make a mental note of suspect description
Activate Alarm
+ Activate robbery alarm as soon as it is safe to do so
Lock doors after suspect(s) exit
Call Police
+ Notify police as soon as possible
+ Provide brief description of suspect and mode and direction of travel
+ Provide additional details as necessary
Take Charge
+ Protect the crime scene
+ Keep customers calm
+ Avoid witness collaboration
+ Assist police with investigation


INDY EVENTS
The following events have an expected attendance of at least 500 people. Mass gatherings are of concern to the healthcare sector for multiple reasons, including being potential mass casualty incidents as the result of natural or man-made hazards, and also provide venues for transmission of communicable diseases.
[1] BBI 2011 International Fuel Ethanol Workshop & Expo (Indiana Convention Center)
[2] Phoenix Mercury vs. Indiana Fever (Conseco Fieldhouse)
[3] National Junior Shorthorn Show (Indiana State Fairgrounds)

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