

Public Information

CHEMPACK

What is CHEMPACK?

CHEMPACK is a national program funded by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). CHEMPACK is a first responder asset that provides antidotes for individuals exposed to intentional nerve agent attacks and large-scale

organophosphate (pesticide) poisonings.

Purpose:

The purpose of CHEMPACK is to implement a nationwide program for the "forward" placement of nerve agent antidotes and to provide state and local governments a sustainable resource that increases their capability to respond quickly to a nerve agent event.

What items are contained in the CHEMPACK containers?

CHEMPACK comes in two types of containers. The hospital container is designed for hospital dispensing, and the medication comes in multi dose vials. The Emergency Medical Service (EMS) container is designed for use by first responders, and medications come in auto-injectors.

How are CHEMPACK containers stored?

CHEMPACK containers are strategically located in secure locations in Delaware. CHEMPACK containers are maintained in climate-controlled conditions to maximize the shelf life of the medications. The CHEMPACK containers are monitored 24/7 by the CDC.

How will CHEMPACK containers be deployed?

The Incident Commander (IC) remotely at a scene or EMS Officer will determine the need for CHEMPACK based on the initial scene evaluation. The IC or EMS Officer will request CHEMPACK deployment through the county 911 center. The 911 center will notify the CHEMPACK storage site and arrange for transportation of CHEMPACK materials to the incident scene or another site.

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