

Legislation Text

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MEMORANDUM

- **TO**: Board of Supervisors
- **FROM**: Denise Pomeroy, Health Services Director

DATE: March 5, 2019

SUBJECT: Approve Long Distance Travel for Dr. Erin Gustafson to Anniston, AL on May 19th 2019 through May 25th 2019 to attend the Strategic National Stockpile Preparedness Course

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Dr. Erin Gustafson, Interim Health Officer has been invited to attend the 2019 Strategic National Stockpile Preparedness Course.

The Strategic National Stockpile Preparedness Course (SNS) is a five-day course designed to give Federal, state, and local officials information on how to best plan and prepare for a public health emergency and how to use and manage the Strategic National Stockpile in response to a terrorist attack, natural disaster, or technological accident.

Below are some, but not all, of the critical skill sets learned during this training program:

- Understand the Division of Strategic National Stockpile (DSNS) Program, the levels of support provided by the DSNS, and the response concepts of the DSNS.
- Understand and describe the planning considerations and operational requirements for receiving, distributing, and dispensing of DSNS material.
- Understand and describe the threat agents and those antibiotics and vaccines in the DSNS Formulary that are either FDA-approved or used under an investigational new drug for those agents.
- Describe the Emergency Use Authorization, its intent, how it is obtained, and its use and limitations.
- Describe the major considerations for designing a system to quickly dispense prophylactic medications to the public to protect it from a biological attack.

Travel and all associated costs, including airfare, meals, airline baggage fees, ground transportation, hotel and airport parking are fully funded through FEMA.

As Health Services Director, I fully support Dr. Gustafson's attendance to this important training.

Thank you for your consideration of this request for long distance travel.

FISCAL IMPACT: _x_ None __Budgeted __Non-Budgeted Estimated Cost: Amount Budgeted: Additional Requested: Annual Cost (if planned for future years):

FISCAL IMPACT (Narrative): No Impact STAFFING IMPACT (if applicable): RECOMMENDED ACTION: Your Board's approval is requested and recommended.