



# COUNTY OF KENOSHA

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## **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR MASS CLINIC EXERCISE**

Kenosha – June 3, 2016 – On June 14, 2016 the UW-Parkside Sports and Activity Center will be transformed into a mock mass clinic. The Kenosha, Racine, and Walworth County Health Departments will be testing their public health emergency plans. Specifically, the mock exercise will test the plans on patient flow through the mass clinic along with adequate staffing levels and job functions. The intent of the exercise is to meet the full demands of the population during a critical event.

Kenosha County Executive, Jim Kreuser states, “It will never be known when the next major disaster will strike, or how severe it will be. Planning ahead for such an event is so important.” Cynthia Johnson, Kenosha County Director of Health states, “Every year local public health departments plan a mock mass clinic exercise. As the saying goes, “Practice makes perfect.” The purpose of these types of drills and exercises is to identify all the gaps in the current disaster plans and correct them before a real event happens.

This year the mock exercise will take place in Kenosha County. The scenario and objective of the drill is dispense medication to “victims” in a timely manner that present during a fictitious anthrax outbreak located at one of the resorts in our area.

Hundreds of volunteers are needed to simulate the activation of current public health emergency plans and protocols. Volunteers will be asked to play the role of victim (following a written script) and will walk through a clinic line to receive simulated medication.

### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!**

June 14<sup>th</sup>, 2016

UW-Parkside Sports and Activity Center  
10:30 – 11:30 AM

Register at [www.surveymonkey.com/r/BAT16](http://www.surveymonkey.com/r/BAT16).

For more information, ~~or~~, please call the Kenosha County Division of Health at (262) 605-6700, (800) 472-8008, or visit [www.kenoshacounty.org](http://www.kenoshacounty.org).

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