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The Iroquois County Public Health Department (ICPHD) is conducting a full-scale exercise on June 15th, 2016 from 9 AM to 11 AM. ICPHD is requesting volunteers to participate. This exercise is being conducted in conjunction with local partners and multiple state agencies. The purpose of this exercise is to practice mass dispensing of medications to the entire population of Iroquois County. ICPHD needs volunteers to drive through the dispensing site in which pretend “medication” will be dispensed at the Iroquois County Fairgrounds, located at 1390 East 2000 North Road outside of Crescent City.

People can volunteer as individuals or as groups. Participants will be able to experience how the Iroquois County Public Health Department will respond to the event of a biological release or mass outbreak, and how ICPHD strives to ensure the health and safety of the public.

Those that are interested in volunteering for the exercise, or just have questions, can contact the Emergency Preparedness Coordinator Eric Ceci at 815-432-2483 or via email at ececi@co.iroquois.il.us. Contact information can also be found on ICPHD’s website at www.co.iroquois.il.us/health-department. Prior contact with ICPHD for participation in the exercise is appreciated, but not necessary.