

Biological Appendix – Attachment 2

KDHE Activation Levels

Incident Activation Levels	Departmental Operations Center (DOC) Activation Level Activities
1	EOC is maintained in a state of readiness but is not activated. The KDHE Epidemiologist on call is notified of reportable diseases or unusual events. Contact is made via the 24/7 EPI Hotline (1-877-427-7317)
2	This is a minimal degree of DOC Activation. Passive surveillance indicates that an unusual event has occurred and further case ascertainment is needed. Active surveillance is initiated at the State and/or Local levels. Decision makers are able to mobilize internal resources to identify and contain diseases. PHIX notifications sent to appropriate health departments and sentinel sites. State and local health department staff conduct epidemiological investigations. Law enforcement may be notified if the event has potential law enforcement implications.
3	This is an extended degree of DOC activation. Operation hours of the DOC will be specified by the DOC Incident Commander and may include Saturday and Sunday. Limited outside resources would be needed and the Incident Commander is able to mobilize internal resources to identify, contain, or mitigate disease. The Health Department PIO is responsible for all public information for the event. The Public information phone bank may be activated.
4	This is a maximal degree of DOC activation. Operation hours of the DOC will be 24 hours daily, to include weekends. A level 4 activation would also include activation of the County Emergency Operation Center (EOC). The Biological Incident Annex is activated and appropriate agencies are notified. The County Commission may issue a proclamation declaring a state of disaster emergency. State resources may be requested (e.g. SNS, National Guard). The Joint Information Center is staffed and operational.