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# SOUTHEAST ADVISORY

**To: BENS Southeast Members**

**Subject: BENS SE members invited to the FEMA Region IV Steering Committee Meeting on Pandemic Flu**

BENS Southeast Region staff regularly participates in the FEMA Region IV meetings of the Regional Interagency Steering Committee (RISC). We represent the private sector within our leadership role in the public-private partnership.

Interested BENS Southeast members are invited to attend portions of these meetings. Access is limited; up to two BENS SE representatives are welcome. In the past, some have attended a morning or an afternoon session to view the process. Others, depending on the topic, may attend a larger portion.

Please let me know if you would like to participate. [hferris@bens.org](mailto:hferris@bens.org), 404-468-0262

**Date: February 11 & 12, 2009**

**Place: Georgia Tech Research Institute (GTRI)**

**FEMA Writes:** “Due to Hurricanes last September, the RISC meeting which was Pandemic Influenza centric had to be cancelled. As this is one of the major planning scenarios, and all states and ESFs have been working hard to include and/or update their Emergency Operations Procedures concerning Pandemic Influenza (PI) planning, we have elected to take the same avenue with this RISC meeting. Day one will cover PI topics. On day two of the RISC, we would like to hear from all States and ESFs your brief-outs to include your current status on PI planning and what progress, concerns, and issues you may have. Immediately following the February RISC meeting, on the afternoon of February 12<sup>th</sup>, the designated PI Planning Team will have their Mid Planning Conference.”

**Feb 12, 2009 (Thur)**

RISC Meeting Registration	0730-0830	
Welcome and Introductions	0830-0845	
RISC Chairman Comments	0845-0900	
State Reports	0900-0945	(AL, FL, GA, KY, MS, NC, SC, TN)
<i>FEMA Air Operations</i>	<i>0945-1000</i>	
<b>BREAK</b>	<b>1000-1015</b>	
Region B, PI Health Briefing	1015-1100	
PIO Support Planning for PI	1100-1115	
DoD PI Planning Initiatives	1115-1145	
<b>LUNCH</b>	<b>1145-1300</b>	
Community Mitigation	1300-1330	
Region IV States ESF 8	1330-1400	
Region IV Status on PI	1400-1430	
<b>BREAK</b>	<b>1430-1445</b>	
Anti-virals and Other	1445-1515	
Countermeasures		
Region I PI Lessons Learned	1515-1545	
HHS CONOPS for PI	1545-1615	
Closing Remarks & Adjourn	1615-1630	

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Welcome	0800-0815
COOP in a Pan Flu	0815-0845
Integrated Planning System (IPS)	0845-0915
<b>BREAK</b>	<b>0915-0945</b>
ESF Reports	0945-1030
PanFlu Scenario Introduction	1030-1130
Final Remarks & Adjourn	1130-1145