TEMPLATE 5. INCIDENT-SPECIFIC PUBLIC HEALTH PREPAREDNESS

The following template can be used to help determine your health department's level of preparedness to respond to direct and indirect public health threats associated with specific types of emergencies and disasters. Incidents are divided into two categories: Natural and Technological/Man-Made*. The incidents listed in this template are only examples and should not be considered all-inclusive. Blank space is provided at the end of the template to allow users to list additional incidents that may affect their area(s). Use the grid to evaluate your health department's ability to respond to specific incidents by placing an "X" next to each incident under the ranking that most accurately represents your health department's level of preparedness to respond to that particular incident. This evaluation should be based on state and local public health emergency preparedness guidance developed by CDC and the doctrine, concepts, principles, terminology, and organizational processes in the National Response Plan (NRP) and National Incident Management System (NIMS). When completed, this template can be used to prioritize preparedness activities and can identify those incidents for which additional (state, federal, etc.) response assistance would be required. This template should be updated as new preparedness activities are undertaken.

^{*} Technological/Man-Made incidents can be intentional or unintentional, including acts of terrorism.

Ranking

	Most Prepared		Least Prepared		
Type of Incident	4	3	2	1	N/A
Natural					
Avalanche					
Drought					
Earthquake					
Extreme cold					
Extreme heat					
Fire/Wildfire					
Flood					
Hurricane/tropical storm					
Infectious disease outbreak					
Landslide/mudflow					
Snow/blizzard					
Thunderstorm/lightning					
Tornado					
Tsunami					
Volcano					
Technological/Man-made					
Airplane crash					
Biological release					

Ranking

	Most Prepared		Least Prepared			
Type of Incident	4	3	2	1	N/A	
Building/structural collapse						
Chemical/hazardous substance release						
Civil unrest/disobedience						
Critical infrastructure failure:						
Telecommunications						
Electrical power						
Gas and oil						
Transportation						
Water supply						
Sanitation						
Explosion (conventional)						
Maritime						
Mass immigration						
Mass public gathering						
Mine collapse/explosion						
Radiological/nuclear release						
Train derailment						

Ranking

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	Most Prepared		Least Prepared		
Type of Incident	4	3	2	1	N/A
Other Incident(s)					