



FIRE DEPARTMENT • CITY OF NEW YORK
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2.1.1 OPERATION BIO-POD 2013

Our yearly commitment to conducting our Bio-POD drill is two-fold:

- To ensure the safety of our members in the performance of their duties in response to a Biological or Radiological incident;
- Bio-POD is part of the FDNY Continuation of Operational Procedures (COOP) Plan

This year's drill will be held on **Saturday, November 23, 2013, 0700 to 2300 hours**, and will include an exchange program to rotate Potassium Iodide (KI) pill packages to all Fire Units, Battalions and Divisions. EMS Units are on a rotation schedule for replacement and will not be participating in this exchange during this year's drill.

There will be Stationary and Mobile PODs at the following locations:

Stationary PODs:

- FDNY Headquarters Auditorium, 9 Metrotech Center, Brooklyn
- Fort Totten, Building 405, Room 200, CFR Building, Bayside, Queens
- EMS Station 4, Pier 36, East River, 271 Marginal St., Manhattan
- EMS Station 20, Jacobi Hospital, 1410 Pelham Parkway South, Building 8, Bronx
- EMS Station 22, Seaview Hospital, 460 Brielle Ave., Staten Island
- EMS Station 45, 58-65 52nd Road, Woodside, Queens
- EMS Station 54, 222-15 Merrick Blvd. Springfield Gardens, Queens
- EMS Station 55, 3134 Park Avenue at 159th Street, Bronx
- EMS Station 58, 420 East 83rd Street, Brooklyn
- E-40/L-35, 131 Amsterdam Avenue, Manhattan
- E-81/L-46, 3025 Bailey Avenue, Bronx
- E-299/L-152, 61-20 Utopia Parkway, Jamaica, Queens

Mobile PODs:

- Alternating between EMS Station 43, Coney Island Hospital, 2601 Ocean Parkway, Brooklyn and E-318/L-166, 2510 Neptune Avenue, Coney Island, Brooklyn.
- Alternating between EMS Station 47, 303 Beach 49th Street, Far Rockaway, Queens and E-331/L-173, 158-57 Cross Bay Blvd, Howard Beach, Queens.

Instructions: At the start of the tour, Company Officers are directed to go to the DiamondPlate Kiosk.

- From the homepage, click BIOPOD Consent
- For each member, enter:
 - Name, Rank, last 4 digits of SS#, and work unit.
 - Select "print" and bring it to your POD.
 - Company Officer shall bring the Potassium Iodide "KI Pencil case" to the POD for exchange.
 - When you receive your new supply of KI, store it in the glove box of the apparatus/vehicle.

A copy of the Incident Action Plan for the Bio-POD can be printed from the Events Calendar on the Intranet.

Note: This is not about the Flu vaccine; this is part of the Continuation of Operational Procedures (COOP) Plan.

By Order of: **Salvatore J. Cassano**, *Fire Commissioner*
Edward Kilduff, *Chief of Department*