Message Map Template

Stakeholder: Media, General Public **Question or Concern: What preparations have been made for responding to a chemical attack?**		
Key Message 1	**Key Message 2**	**Key Message 3**
Local, regional, and state teams are trained and ready to respond immediately.	**Medical staff have been trained on decontamination and treatment, and additional training continues.**	**Plans have been developed & exercised for responding to chemical incidents.**
Supporting Fact 1-1	**Supporting Fact 2-1**	**Supporting Fact 3-1**
Many local fire departments and regional HAZMAT teams in Kansas are in place and ready to respond.	Hospital and EMS personnel are training together to learn how to decontaminate patients.	Responding to accidental chemical spills has allowed officials to develop the knowledge base and plans to respond to chemical emergencies.
Supporting Fact 1-2	**Supporting Fact 2-2**	**Supporting Fact 3-2**
The Kansas National Guard, 73rd Civil Support Team (CST) can travel quickly to an event to perform early tests and assessment.	Hospitals are upgrading patient decontamination equipment.	Plans are being improved to reflect additional abilities of fire, HAZMAT, EMS, and medical personnel to respond to chemical events.
Supporting Fact 1-3	**Supporting Fact 2-3**	**Supporting Fact 3-3**
The KDHE Laboratory can perform confirmation testing for chemical agents for HAZMAT Teams and the CST.	Medical personnel are learning how to treat people exposed to chemical agents.	A plan has been developed for the Strategic National Stockpile (SNS), which includes a supply of treatments for chemical agents that can be rushed to the state.

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