

The entire 120 member SOSINK committee meets on a quarterly basis. A SOSINK steering committee, representing the 12 counties and various disciplines responsible for the prevention, protection, response and recovery from weapons of mass destruction and natural incidents was formed to oversee all committee efforts and guide the process for the region. The SOSINK steering committee meets monthly at a minimum and more frequently as needed to address regional planning needs or issues.

The SOSINK steering committee includes the core city and core county point of contacts and representative membership as follows. Each county is guaranteed one representative on SOSINK to be chosen from their respective County Terrorism Preparedness Advisory Committee, which comprises the initial 12 members. Each 100,000 of population in the individual county is given one additional representative for that county, which adds approximately 18 additional members to the SOSINK steering committee. Finally, regional memberships were included from Ohio Emergency Management Agency (EMA) Region 6 Coordinator, the American Red Cross, Northern Kentucky Regional EMA Coordinator, Southeastern Indiana Regional EMA Coordinator and The Greater Cincinnati/Northern Kentucky Hospital Council.

Additional collaboration includes being one of the first regions to form a successful regional terrorism early warning group. There is a regional health council, representing all the hospitals in the tri-state area, a regional Red Cross Chapter and Regional Medical Response System. The continuation of these regional efforts through the formation of the SOSINK will enhance all these efforts, as well as assist in the planning and response capabilities for the entire tri-state.