Canadian Experience

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- Yulex 2010
- Challenges and solutions for partnership
- Questions
Yulex 2010

- Full scale exercise at Montreal international airport every 3 years
- Yulex 2010:
  1. very infectious disease transmitted airborne
  2. Decision to quarantine contacts while waiting for a rapid diagnosis test to be done on the patient
Video please!
Just an example! Mtl Airport

- The stakeholders
Challenges

• Public health emergency preparedness (PHEP) is not a steady state
• Difficulty to keep partners interest in public health
• Planning depends on ressources, skills but mostly motivation
MOTIVATION
If there is a better reason to paddle, I don't know what it is.
• You scratch my back and I’ll scratch yours!
Some solutions…

• Creation of an infectious disease committee (4X/year)
• Screening officer cue cards
• Open houses
• Lunch and learn session on hand washing
• Invitation to airlines’ meeting
Some tips for the exercises

- The best way to train the field staff and to develop relationship
- Engage stakeholders to plan exercise
- Clearly define your scope and objectives
- Have external experienced evaluators/observers
- Improve your plan after each exercise
"An exercise with no problems is probably one with a trivial scenario or an inadequate evaluation"  Perry & al
QUESTIONS???