

Aware Prepare Update



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Welcome to the **October 2023** issue of the Aware Prepare (AP) Update. The AP is your bi-monthly guide to upcoming trainings related to preparedness, readiness, and response. These trainings may be provided in one or more of the following formats, including: live webcasts, webinars and in-person training; archived webcasts, webinars and On-Demand eLearning on the www.NYLearnsPH.com Learning Management System. Questions or submissions, email: edlearn@health.ny.gov

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ICYMI: GOVERNOR HOCHUL –Preparedness Related Press Releases

Visit <https://www.governor.ny.gov/news> for a full list of press releases and statements from Governor Hochul.

[Governor Hochul Urges New Yorkers to Prepare for Heavy Rains and Possible Flash Flooding this Weekend](#)

- [Spanish Translation](#)

Oct 6, 2023 | 09:59 AM EDT

[Governor Hochul Highlights \\$234.5 Million for Local Water Infrastructure Projects Across New York State](#)

Oct 5, 2023 | 02:14 PM EDT

[Governor Hochul, Mayor Adams Announce \\$38 Million for Asylum Seeker Legal Services and Case Management](#)

- [Spanish Translation](#)

Oct 3, 2023 | 03:36 PM EDT

[Governor Hochul Announces 23 New Certified Climate Smart Communities](#)

Oct 2, 2023 | 03:37 PM EDT

[Governor Hochul Celebrates One-Year Anniversary of State's Expanded Statewide Language Access Policy and New York State Office of Language Access](#)

Oct 2, 2023 | 02:52 PM EDT

[Governor Hochul Announces 18,000 Jobs Available to Asylum Seekers and Migrants as Part of Statewide Initiative to Move Individuals Out of Shelter and Into Independent Living](#)

- [Spanish Translation](#)
- [B-Roll, Video, Audio, Photos & Rush Transcript](#)

Oct 2, 2023 | 11:40 AM EDT

[Governor Hochul Updates New Yorkers Following Historic Rainfall Event](#)

- [B-Roll, Video, Audio, Photos & Rush Transcript](#)

Sep 30, 2023 | 10:46 AM EDT

[Governor Hochul Signs Legislative Package to Extend Protections Against Human Trafficking in New York State](#)

- [Video, Audio, Photos & Rush Transcript](#)
- [Spanish Translation](#)

Sep 27, 2023 | 01:48 PM EDT

[Governor Hochul Announces Multi-Agency Collaboration to Raise School-Age Youth Mental Health Awareness](#)

Sep 26, 2023 | 01:45 PM EDT

[Governor Hochul Deploys 150 Additional National Guard Personnel to Support Response to Asylum Seeker Crisis](#)

- [B-roll, Video, Audio, Photos & Rush Transcript](#)
- [Spanish Translation](#)

Sep 25, 2023 | 01:36 PM EDT

[Governor Hochul Signs Legislation to Protect New Yorkers From Increasingly Frequent and Extreme Flooding](#)

Sep 22, 2023 | 03:47 PM EDT

[Governor Hochul Announces \\$7.4 Million in Federal Funding to Support Local Emergency Planning and Response Efforts](#)

Sep 22, 2023 | 03:38 PM EDT

[Governor Hochul Announces New State Efforts to Address Asylum Seeker and Migrant Crisis Following Federal Extension of Temporary Protected Status](#)

- [Spanish Translation](#)

Sep 20, 2023 | 10:14 PM EDT

[B-Roll & Photos: Governor Hochul Receives Updated COVID-19 Vaccine](#)

Sep 20, 2023 | 02:26 PM EDT

[During Climate Week, Governor Hochul Announces Over \\$13.8 Million to Protect Clean Water and Support New York Farmers in the Fight Against Climate Change](#)

Sep 20, 2023 | 01:44 PM EDT

[Governor Hochul Signs Legislative Package to Strengthen Democracy & Protect Voting Rights](#)

- [Video, Audio, Photos & Rush Transcript](#)
- [Spanish Translation](#)

Sep 20, 2023 | 01:04 PM EDT

[Governor Hochul Announces Comprehensive State Action to Combat Antisemitism](#)

- [Video, Audio, Photos & Rush Transcript](#)
- [Spanish Translation](#)

Sep 19, 2023 | 02:16 PM EDT

[Governor Hochul Announces Nearly \\$38 Million in Federal Funding to Strengthen Security for Nonprofits Facing High Risks of Terrorism](#)

- [Spanish Translation](#)

Sep 19, 2023 | 01:10 PM EDT

[Governor Hochul Issues Proclamation Celebrating 15th Annual Climate Week in New York State](#)

- [Spanish Translation](#)

Sep 18, 2023 | 03:47 PM EDT

[Video, Audio, Photos & Rush Transcript: Governor Hochul Delivers Remarks at the Clinton Global Initiative](#)

Sep 18, 2023 | 11:49 AM EDT

[Governor Hochul Signs Legislation to Strengthen New York's Nation-Leading Red Flag Laws](#)

Sep 15, 2023 | 11:52 AM EDT

[Governor Hochul Signs Legislation to Support New Yorkers With Disabilities](#)

- [Spanish Translation](#)

Sep 14, 2023 | 01:43 PM EDT

[Governor Hochul Updates New Yorkers on New COVID-19 Vaccine and Urges Precautions as COVID-19 Cases Rise](#)

- [Video, Audio, Photos & Rush Transcript](#)

Sep 13, 2023 | 12:47 PM EDT

[Statement From Governor Kathy Hochul on Supreme Court Order on Concealed Carry Improvement Act's Background Check Provisions](#)

Sep 12, 2023 | 09:53 PM EDT

[Governor Hochul Signs Legislation to Support 9/11 Victims, First Responders, and Their Loved Ones](#)

- [Spanish Translation](#)

Sep 11, 2023 | 01:35 PM EDT

ICYMI: NYSDOH – Preparedness Related Press Releases

NEW! October 5, 2023 [New York Public Health Now](#) Podcast

New York Public Health Now is a conversational bi-weekly podcast with a rotating roster of passionate, front line public health specialists at the New York State Department of Health and beyond. With each new episode, *Public Health Now* will talk about timely and important topics such as health equity, the opioid epidemic, respiratory viruses, maternal mortality, Medicaid recertification, climate change, air and water quality, and more. We'll also discuss all the great work happening at the Department in places like the Wadsworth Center, New York's world-class public health laboratory, and New York State of Health, our health insurance marketplace.

September 28, 2023

- [New York State Department of Health Recognizes Sepsis Awareness Month](#)

September 22, 2023

- [New York State Department of Health and State office for the Aging Recognize Healthy Aging Month By Focusing On Initiatives That Reinforce New York's Commitment to Age-friendly Communities](#)

September 21, 2023

- [New York State Department of Health Recognizes September as National Food Safety Education Month](#)

September 20, 2023

- [New York State Department of Health Observes Fungal Disease Awareness Week](#)
- [New York State Department of Health Recognizes National Sickle Cell Awareness Month](#)

September 19, 2023

- [New York State Department of Health Recognizes Climate Week, September 17 – 23](#)
- [New York State Department of Health Issues Warning that Synthetic Cannabinoids Sold in the Mohawk Valley Contain Laboratory Confirmed Synthetic Opioids that Can Create a Deadly Cocktail](#)

September 15, 2023

- [New York State Department of Health and Saint Regis Mohawk Tribe Strengthen Relationship](#)

September 13, 2023

- [Governor Hochul Updates New Yorkers on New COVID-19 Vaccine and Urges Precautions as COVID-19 Cases Rise](#)

September 8, 2023

- [New York State Department of Health and New York State office for the Aging Conduct town Hall Meetings In Buffalo On Master Plan for Aging and Receive Public Input](#)
- [NY State of Health Launches Back-to-School Communications Tool Kit with Information on Actions New Yorkers Can Take to Keep Health Insurance Coverage](#)
- [Governor Hochul Celebrates Groundbreaking of \\$650 Million Strong Memorial Hospital Emergency Department Expansion and Modernization Project in Rochester](#)

For a full listing of all NYSDOH Press Releases from 2023 including the many updates with respect to ongoing air quality issues statewide, visit: health.ny.gov/press/releases/2023/index.htm.

Other Resources and Opportunities: **Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)**

Health Alert Network (HAN)

[2023 HAN Messages | Health Alert Network \(HAN\)](#)

- [HAN-0498 – 09/05/2023 - Increased Respiratory Syncytial Virus \(RSV\) Activity in Parts of the Southeastern United States: New Prevention Tools Available to Protect Patients](#)
- [HAN-0497 – 09/01/2023 - Severe *Vibrio vulnificus* Infections in the United States Associated with Warming Coastal Waters](#)

Other CDC Resources:

Soliciting Feedback on a Proposed Regulatory Framework to Assess the Risk to the Effectiveness of Human and Animal Drugs Posed by Certain Antibacterial or Antifungal Pesticides — On September 26, a concept note was published that describes a proposed framework to improve assessment of the potential risks to the effectiveness of human and animal antibacterial and antifungal drugs posed by using certain antimicrobial pesticides. The concept note was developed through a U.S. government interagency process by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), and the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), under the oversight of the White House Executive Office of the President. This concept note solicits stakeholder input on the proposed structure for the framework and on potential solutions, research, or mitigation approaches to reduce the spread of antimicrobial resistance (AR). The proposed framework described in the concept note would expand the current EPA process for assessing the risk that antibacterial or antifungal pesticides may pose to the effectiveness of human and animal antibacterial and antifungal drugs when EPA evaluates pesticides under the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA). The comment period is open until November 13, 2023, and information on how to provide comments is available from EPA [here](#).

Coming soon: V-safe for RSV vaccines — [V-safe](#), one of [several systems](#) CDC uses to closely monitor the safety of vaccines, will be available this fall to include health check-ins initially for adults 60 years and older who receive a [respiratory syncytial virus](#) (RSV) vaccine and soon thereafter for pregnant people who receive a maternal RSV vaccine.

V-safe, originally developed in 2020 for people to report how they felt after receiving COVID-19 vaccines, will enable participants to report how they feel after getting an RSV vaccine. Additionally, enhanced functionality will allow participants to use a computer, smartphone, or tablet to enroll and complete health check-ins.

After receiving an RSV vaccine, participants can enroll in V-safe to receive health check-ins via text messages or emails to complete confidential surveys so that they can quickly and easily share with CDC how they feel after getting vaccinated (for example, if they are experiencing injection site pain or a fever). The data collected through V-safe help CDC monitor potential vaccine side effects and inform the public about what to expect following vaccination.

The updated V-safe website and related materials will be available soon. Please be on the lookout for additional updates from CDC.

NHSN Nursing Home Reporting Changes for New “Up to Date” COVID-19 Vaccination

Definition — As part of the new [ACIP and CDC recommendations](#) for COVID-19 vaccines, CDC has changed the definition of up to date. Data collected in the National Healthcare Safety Network (NHSN) Weekly Long-term Care COVID-19 [Vaccination Modules](#) and [Long-term Care COVID-19 Module](#) will be revised for reporting weeks beginning on September 25, 2023, to align with this definition.

CDC will host training webinars for long-term care facilities, including nursing homes, about how to accurately report the number of individuals who are up to date under the new guidance. **Updates and information about upcoming training can be found here:** [LTCF | Weekly HCP & Resident COVID-19 Vaccination | NHSN | CDC](#)

CDC Recommends Updated COVID-19 Vaccine for Fall/Winter Virus Season — CDC’s Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) met on September 12 to vote on recommendations for the updated COVID-19 vaccines. CDC recommends everyone 6 months and older get an updated COVID-19 vaccine to protect against the potentially serious outcomes of COVID-19 illness this fall and winter.

Vaccination remains protective against the most severe illness and death caused by COVID-19, including against the XBB sublineages, which account for over 95% of the circulating virus variants in the U.S. COVID-19 vaccines also reduce the chance of having Long COVID. An important goal of vaccination is to broaden immunity, even if vaccine formulations do not perfectly match currently circulating viruses.

While there are many factors that affect the exact dates of when vaccines arrive to the public, the updated COVID-19 vaccine will be available in the United States in the coming days, providing an opportunity to get increased protection heading into the fall and winter months, when we expect transmission to be higher. Vaccines will be widely available at many healthcare providers, including pharmacies. The Disability Information and Access Line (DIAL) also provides COVID-19 vaccination support for people with disabilities. You can access DIAL by calling 1-888-677-1199.

Given the possibility of a surge of COVID-19 cases this fall and winter, we encourage providers to talk with their patients about getting the updated COVID-19 vaccine as this new vaccine more closely targets the most common variants circulating now.

For more information on COVID-19 vaccines and to help answer any questions or concerns patients may have, please visit:

- [Stay Up to Date with COVID-19 Vaccines | CDC](#)
 - [COVID-19 Vaccines for People Who Are Moderately or Severely Immunocompromised | CDC](#)
 - [Overview of COVID-19 Vaccines | CDC](#)
 - [Webinar Tuesday, September 19, 2023 - Preparing for the Upcoming Respiratory Virus Season: Recommendations for Influenza, COVID-19, and RSV Vaccines for Older Adults \(cdc.gov\)](#)
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New Safe Healthcare Blog | Reminder: Infection Control Actions to Take During Respiratory

Virus Season — When respiratory viruses are spreading in the community, the risk for spread in healthcare settings increases as well. Remember: Regardless of your healthcare setting or which respiratory viruses are spreading in your community, these existing [infection control measures](#) can prevent and slow the spread to help protect patients and healthcare workers. Learn more [here](#).

She missed the signs of sepsis but this survivor wants her experience to help others

Katy Grainger noticed a small cut on her thumb that wasn't healing. She received care but her vital signs were strong, so no one suspected sepsis at the time. However, Katy's symptoms progressed over the next 36 hours and ultimately, Katy went to the hospital when she realized she “had never been so sick.”

On World Sepsis Day, sepsis survivor, double amputee, and patient advocate, Katy Grainger, [shares her experience in this blog](#) so that others do not miss the signs and symptoms of sepsis and know what to do if an infection is not getting better or is getting worse.

To learn more about sepsis and how to prevent infections, visit www.cdc.gov/sepsis.



October 6th: New High-Risk Misinformation Alert

Last week, a high-profile social media CEO shared a misleading video showing a decline in the reported effectiveness of COVID-19 vaccines over time—insinuating that early headlines about the vaccines being “100 percent effective” were disinformation. The video, viewed over 75 million times, doesn't distinguish between trial efficacy and real-world effectiveness, or between effectiveness against severe disease and effectiveness against infection.

Developed through automated media monitoring and manual review by public health data analysts at [The Public Good Projects](#), our misinformation alerts are categorized as low, medium, or high risk to

help you identify the next appropriate action. [The COVID-19 vaccine misinformation alert outlined above](#) is considered high risk, and we recommend using our messaging to directly address and debunk this type of misinformation.

Updated Messaging on COVID-19 Vaccine Safety and Effectiveness

We've updated our [Answers to Tough Questions](#), where we share clear, accurate information to answer questions such as: "How safe are COVID-19 vaccines?" and "What is the risk of having a severe adverse reaction to the COVID-19 vaccine?"

Use our updated messaging guidance to help you address misinformation in your community and underscore the importance of staying up-to-date on COVID-19 vaccination.

Register for our October Webinar

We are excited to announce our next webinar, [Public Health and Crisis Situations: Communicating and Connecting with Confidence](#), developed to support the nation's public health emergency response network.

Join us on Thursday, October 26, from 12 - 1:30 pm ET / 9 - 10:30 am PT to hear industry experts share practical strategies, tools, and considerations to develop your organization's approach to crisis communications.

Download our Culturally Driven Public Health Communications Resource

Our latest resource, [Strategies for Developing Culturally Driven Public Health Communications](#), builds on insights from [last month's webinar](#). The resource outlines practical guidance on recognizing and incorporating multicultural audiences' diversity to communicate effectively, build stronger relationships, increase credibility, and improve health outcomes.

September 22nd: More Culturally Driven Insights in Our New Resource

We are excited to announce the release of our latest resource, [Strategies for Developing Culturally Driven Public Health Communications](#). Recognizing and incorporating the diversity of people's cultures, values, and beliefs allows you to more effectively communicate with multicultural audiences. Developed in partnership with [HCN](#), our new guide is divided into three sections—messaging, visuals, and outreach—and offers strategies and tools to help you create materials that build stronger relationships, increase credibility, and improve health outcomes.

September 15th: Updated COVID-19, RSV, and Flu Recommendations

On Tuesday, September 12, the CDC released [updated COVID-19 vaccine recommendations](#) for the fall and winter respiratory illness season. The CDC Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) recommends updated (monovalent, XBB-containing) COVID-19 vaccines for everyone age 6 months and older

Pfizer-BioNTech and Moderna will continue to distribute doses across the country, but vaccines are already available in many communities. The updated vaccines were created to more closely target the new strains of coronavirus that are currently circulating. These vaccines significantly reduce the risk of developing severe COVID-19 complications and hospitalization and protect against avoidable severe illness or death.

We've created a [Fall and Winter 2023 Immunization Messaging](#) resource to reflect the latest COVID-19 vaccine guidance and to answer questions about the array of respiratory illnesses—COVID-19, the flu, and RSV—with your community, including guidance about whether to get multiple vaccines at the same time.

On the PHCC Radar:

- Webinar: [Philanthropy and Public Health: Building Strong Partnerships for Healthy Communities](#) (APHA)
- Report: [2022 Preparedness Study](#) (NACCHO)
- Podcast: [Say it Simply: The Power of Plain Language in Advancing Health with Dr. Katelyn Jetelina](#) (Mission Forward)
- Toolkit: [Pregnant and Protected from COVID-19](#) (CDC)
- Article: [2023 Nobel Prize in Medicine: Karikó, Weissman awarded prize for mRNA research](#) (STAT)

More from PHCC:

- [Messaging Resource: Fall and Winter Immunization Messaging \(English\)](#)
- [Messaging Resource: Fall and Winter Immunization Messaging \(Spanish\)](#)
- [Toolkit: Fall 2023 Vaccination Promotion](#)
- [Tough Q+A: Pediatric RSV Antibody Treatment](#)
- [Webinar: When and How to Respond to Public Health Misinformation](#)
- [Resource: Understanding Air Quality](#)
- [Communications Tool: Plain Language for Public Health](#)
- [Misinformation Alerts](#)

To get the latest updates, misinformation alerts, and resources from the PHCC and their partners, visit their [website](#) and follow them on Twitter at [@PH Comms](#) and [LinkedIn](#).

United States Fire Administration (USFA)

Open Enrollment Changing from Twice a year to Quarterly.

The U.S. Fire Administration's National Fire Academy (NFA) is moving away from the twice a year enrollment periods for students to apply for courses at the National Emergency Training Center. This decision was made after receiving student and stakeholder feedback.

The NFA will be switching from a twice-yearly open enrollment to a quarterly open enrollment. Please note, this change does not affect the enrollment processes of the Executive Fire Officer Program (EFO) or Managing Officer Program (MOP). These programs have a separate enrollment process, information can be found here (<https://www.usfa.fema.gov/nfa/programs/>). The open enrollment period will be open for 30 days and will be for a 3-month period.

Open Enrollment will be as follows:

Open Enrollment period:

December 15 - January 15

March 15 – April 15

June 15 – July 15

September 15 – October 15

For the months of:

April, May, and June, 2024

July, August, and September, 2024

October, November, and December, 2024

January, February, and March, 2025

This open enrollment change could potentially allow a student to apply and attend a class within a 6-month window. The new open enrolment process does not affect the limit of one student stipend per fiscal year (10/1 to 9/30) (<https://www.usfa.fema.gov/nfa/on-campus-students/travel-reimbursement/>). Questions? [Contact Us](#)

Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)

FEMA offers several virtual **Public Information Basic** courses throughout the year. See schedule below for upcoming sessions. Once you identify a date that will work with your schedule, you can submit an online application at [National Emergency Training Center Online Admissions Application \(fema.gov\)](https://www.fema.gov/nfa/on-campus-students/travel-reimbursement/). As long as the course does not say “closed course”, “invitational only”, or “state only” you can apply. If you are able to register for the specific date then it should have seats available.

Helpful Hints in Applying for Virtual FEMA Training ([OHEP Guide to Registering for NYS DHSES and FEMA EMI Course Offerings](#))

- Know the EMI or NFA course code prior to beginning the application process for the training you would like to attend (see catalogs at [EMI Course Catalog](#) or [NFA Course Catalog](#))
 - **K0105: Public Information Basic**

Know your FEMA Student Identification (SID) number prior to applying for a course. If you do not have a SID number please obtain one at <https://cdp.dhs.gov/femasid>
- If the training you are applying for requires you to submit any form of supporting documentation (e.g. resume, checklist, transcripts, organizational charts, recommendations, prerequisite training completions, exercise experience, etc.) please prepare this documentation in PDF form prior to applying for the course. The maximum size for each PDF is 1 MB. If you do not know how to prepare a PDF document please seek information technology (IT) support.
 - **IS-29: Public Information Officer Awareness is a pre-requisite. Please complete prior to applying for Public Information Basic - EMI - IS (fema.gov)**
- All EMI and NFA applications require an electronic approval from the head of your sponsoring organization. You will need the name, title, and email address of this person to submit the application. Non-Federal applicants for EMI courses must use the appropriate State Training Officer (STO) as “Head of Organization”. STO contact information can be found here <https://www.firstrespondertraining.gov/frts/statecontacts>
 - **For NYS, the STO is:
Rebecca Wilburn
State Training Officer/Chief Training and Exercises
rebecca.wilburn@dhses.ny.gov**

For additional questions regarding a Virtual Public Information Basic Session, please email or call the Point of Contact listed below

Course (Times)	Start Date	End Date	Program	Point of Contact
K0105: Public Information Basic (11:00 AM - 04:00 PM EST)	1/29/2024	2/2/2024	Emergency Mgmt Professional Program	Januchowski, Jeffrey 301-447-1383

K0105: Public Information Basic (11:00 AM - 04:00 PM EST)	4/22/2024	4/26/2024	Emergency Mgmt Professional Program	Januchowski, Jeffrey 301-447-1383
K0105: Public Information Basic (11:00 AM - 04:00 PM EST)	8/26/2024	8/30/2024	Emergency Mgmt Professional Program	Januchowski, Jeffrey 301-447-1383

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 - **K0146: Homeland Security Exercise and Evaluation Program (HSEEP) Training Course**
- Know your FEMA Student Identification (SID) number prior to applying for a course. If you do not have a SID number please obtain one at <https://cdp.dhs.gov/femasid>
- If the training you are applying for requires you to submit any form of supporting documentation (e.g. resume, checklist, transcripts, organizational charts, recommendations, prerequisite training completions, exercise experience, etc.) please prepare this documentation in PDF form prior to applying for the course. The maximum size for each PDF is 1 MB. If you do not know how to prepare a PDF document please seek information technology (IT) support.
 - **IS120: An Introduction to Exercise is an HSEEP pre-requisite. Please complete prior to applying for HSEEP - <https://training.fema.gov/is/courseoverview.aspx?code=IS-120.c&lang=en>.**
- All EMI and NFA applications require an electronic approval from the head of your sponsoring organization. You will need the name, title, and email address of this person to submit the application. Non-Federal applicants for EMI courses must use the appropriate State Training Officer (STO) as “Head of Organization”. STO contact information can be found here <https://www.firstrespondertraining.gov/frts/statecontacts>
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Association of State and Territorial Health Officials

[Preparedness Policy Highlights for Trending Public Health Threats](#)

National Preparedness Month is as a time to reflect on recent public health emergencies. This is especially important as the preparedness policy landscape continues to shift following the COVID-19 pandemic.

Federally, the *Pandemic and All Hazards Preparedness Act* is undergoing reauthorization. In states, policymakers are proposing legislation to better prepare for wildfires, improve school safety, enhance cybersecurity, and address critical hospital challenges.

ICYMI: Understanding Factors Influencing Decision Making by State Health Officials in a Public Health Emergency | ASTHO CEO Michael Fraser co-authored an exploratory study in a recent issue of the *Journal of Public Health Management and Practice* (JPHMP) involving 21 current and former state and territorial health officials (S/THOs). The investigation examines factors influencing S/THO decision-making and reveals a pressing need for structured tools. The emphasis on these resources could bring a shift to more systematic responses to public health emergencies.

[Read more here.](#)

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Read more about these trends in this week's *Health Policy Update*.

ICYMI: [Responding to Environmental Health Threats Following Hurricanes](#)

As Hurricane Hilary continues along the West Coast, and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Association increases their prediction for the ongoing hurricane season, our blog spotlights the importance of planning for health threats that emerge in the days and weeks after a hurricane. Check out the blog now to learn how health officials proactively prepare for the aftermath of natural disasters.

ICYMI: [Advancing Preparedness for Life Support Users During Power Outages](#)

When energy grids are overloaded, or power shuts off due to unforeseen weather events, plans aren't always in place to protect those most dependent on electricity: life support users. To best prepare for power outages, ASTHO created a toolkit to help states and territories plan for emergencies affecting people using electronic medical equipment.

Brief: [Seven Emergency Preparedness Exercises for Health Agencies | ASTHO](#)

Blog: [National Preparedness Month: Recognizing Public Health Preparedness | ASTHO](#)

Resource: [Evolving View of Vaccination: COVID-19, Flu, and RSV \(astho.org\)](#)

Brief: [Preventing Fatal Overdoses in Postpartum Populations | ASTHO](#)

Blog: [Building Capacity to Navigate the Prevention of Suicide, Overdose, and Adverse Childhood Experiences | ASTHO](#)

Trust for America's Health

Last week, The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the National Foundation for Infectious Diseases (NFID), kicked off the 2023-2024 flu vaccination season yesterday with a [press conference](#) discussing the importance of getting vaccinated against flu, respiratory syncytial disease (RSV), COVID-19, and pneumococcal disease, and presenting recent data from the 2022-2023 flu season. CDC also launched two public education campaigns: a digital campaign called "Wild to Mild," which shows how flu vaccination not only prevents illnesses but can also 'tame' flu's symptoms from being 'wild' to 'mild' in people who get vaccinated but still get sick. The second is a result of a CDC and American Medical Association (AMA) collaboration with the Ad Council. More information on how you can share these messages and materials and get involved is available [here](#).

ICYMI: TFAH recently published the article [Navigating Climate-Related Threats to the Public's Health](#). The article highlights the significant climate challenges the US has faced in 2023, identifies actions taken by the Biden-Harris Administration in response to these threats, and underscores how preparing for weather-related events is a critical element of public health emergency preparedness.

Region V Public Health Training Center

Prepared. Set. Go!: A Podcast from Public Health Prepared
[Episode 1: Vector Borne Diseases in Michigan: What You Need to Know:](#)

New and Upcoming Live Events Note: *Some items are marked with **NEW!** generally indicating that the promotion is new to this edition of the Aware Prepare Update.*

October 2023

2023-2024 Respiratory Season Vaccine Update

Sponsored by ECHO CO

Friday, October 6, 2023, 2:00pm - 3:00pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Terrorism Indicators and Suspicious Activity Reporting for FIRE/EMS

Sponsored by DHSES

October 9, 2023, 3 Hours, Allegany Fire Dept., Allegany, NY

[Register Here](#)

Evacuations of Facilities in Disaster System (eFINDS) Train-the-Trainer

Sponsored by FLRTC

Tuesday, October 10, 2023, 9am - 3pm

Enroll in LMS Course: [OHEP-BP5-EFINDSTTT](#) | Virtual or in-person

Pediatric Emergency Assessment, Recognition & Stabilization (PEARS)

Sponsored by FLRTC

Western NY Region ONLY (Eligible Counties: Allegany, Cattaraugus, Chautauqua, Chemung, Erie, Genesee, Livingston, Monroe, Niagara, Ontario, Orleans, Schuyler, Seneca, Steuben, Wayne, Wyoming, Yates).

Tuesday, October 10, 2023, 9am - 3:30pm, Wyoming County Community Hospital

Enroll in LMS Course: [OHEP-WRHTC-PEARS-BP5](#)

NEW! Sepsis Core Elements Webinars: Leadership Commitment

Sponsored by CDC Project Firstline

Thursday, October 10, 2023, 1-2pm

[Register Here](#)

Working with the Media: A Course for Rural First Responders (AWR-209)

Sponsored by DHSES

October 10-11, 2023, 8 Hours

[Register Here](#)

Science of Disaster (L-102)

Sponsored by DHSES

October 10-12, 2023, 8:00am - 5:00pm, Genesee Co. OEM, Batavia, NY

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Emergency Preparedness for Nursing Leadership

Sponsored by MARO RTC

Wednesday, October 11, 2023, 10-11am

Enroll in LMS Course: [OHEP-HTC-BP4-S4-042023-MARO](#)

Cultural Competency and working with Ojibwe Communities

Sponsored by AHEPP

Wednesday, October 11, 2023, 12:00pm - 1:00pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! HTC Webinar Series BP5S3 - Creating a HAZWOPER For First Receivers Awareness Level Training Plan/Curriculum

Sponsored by MARO HTC

Thursday, October 12, 2023, 10:00am - 12:00pm

[Register Here](#)

Social Media Tools and Techniques (PER-344)

Sponsored by DHSES

October 11-12, 2023, 1:00pm - 5:00pm

[Register Here](#)

Pediatric Emergency Assessment, Recognition & Stabilization (PEARS)

Sponsored by FLRTC

Western NY Region ONLY (Eligible Counties: Allegany, Cattaraugus, Chautauqua, Chemung, Erie, Genesee, Livingston, Monroe, Niagara, Ontario, Orleans, Schuyler, Seneca, Steuben, Wayne, Wyoming, Yates).

Friday, October 13, 2023, 9am - 3:30pm, Upstate NY Life Support Training

Enroll in LMS Course: [OHEP-WRHTC-PEARS-BP5](#)

Take a Break: Social Support for the Public Health Workforce

Sponsored by Mid Atlantic Region PHTC

Friday, October 13, 2023, 12 – 1pm

[Register Here](#)

8th Annual NYS Health Care Facilities Conference - "Igniting Resiliency"

Sponsored by ASHE

October 15-17, 2023, Verona, NY

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Sepsis Core Elements Webinars: Accountability and Multi-Professional Expertise

Sponsored by Project Firstline

Monday, October 16, 2023, 1-2pm

[Register Here](#)

K0449: Incident Command System (ICS) Curricula Train-the-Trainer

Sponsored by FEMA EMI

October 16-20, 2023, 8:30am - 5:30pm

[Register Here](#)

Advanced Hazmat Life Support Provider Class

Sponsored by SUNY Upstate

October 16-17, 2023, 8:00am-5:00pm, EMSTAT - Syracuse

[Register Here](#) | Note: \$550 registration fee

Introduction to NIMS and ICS: Public Health Perspectives

Sponsored by MARO HTC

Tuesday, October 17, 2023, 1:00pm - 3:00pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! ICS 100 REVIEW: An Introduction to the Incident Command System

Sponsored by MAR HTC

Tuesday, October 17, 2023, 10:00am - 12:00pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Upstate Burn ECHO - Managing the Geriatric Burn Patient

Sponsored by SUNY Upstate

Tuesday, October 17, 2023, 12:00pm - 1:00pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Lessons Learned from the Pediatric Tripledemic: Systems, Staff, Space, and Supplies

Sponsored by The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) Administration for Strategic Preparedness and Response, Technical Resources, Assistance Center, and Information Exchange (ASPR TRACIE) and ASPR's Pediatric Disaster Care Centers of Excellence

Tuesday, October 17, 2023, 1-2:15pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Introduction to National Incident Management System and Incident Command System: Public Health Perspectives

Sponsored by Mid Atlantic Regional PHTC

Tuesday, October 17, 2023, 1-3pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! ICS 200.C REVIEW: Basic Incident Command System for Initial Response

Sponsored by MARO HTC

Tuesday, October 17, 2023, 1-3pm

[Register Here](#)

K0428 Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) Train-The-Trainer

Sponsored by FEMA EMI

October 17-26, 2023, 1:00pm - 5:00pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Telehealth: Challenges and Opportunities

Sponsored by HANYS

Wednesday, October 18, 2023, 12:00pm - 1:00pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Intermediate ICS for Expanding Incidents (I-300)

Sponsored by DHSES

October 18-20, 2023, 8:00am - 5:00pm, Crossroads Conference Center, Belmont, NY

[Register Here](#)

Vital Signs EMS Conference

Sponsored by Vital Signs

October 19-20, 2023 | Onondaga Conference Center, Syracuse, NY

[Register Here](#)

NEW! ICS 800.D REVIEW - National Response Framework - An Introduction

Sponsored by MARO HTC

Thursday, October 19, 2023, 10:00am - 12:00pm

[Register Here](#)

Mass Casualty Impact and Recovery Webinar Series Session 8: Post Incident Scams & Fraud

Sponsored by PSPR2

Thursday, October 19, 2023, 12:00pm - 1:30pm

[Register Here](#)

Responding to Aggressive Behavior in Healthcare Settings Webinar Series: Mitigating Circumstances That Can Lead to Injury

Sponsored by HANYS

Thursday, October 19, 2023, 2:00pm - 3:00pm

[Register Here](#)

K0418: Mass Care/Emergency Assistance Planning and Operations

Sponsored by FEMA NETC, EMI

October 23-26, 2023, 11:00am - 4:00pm

[Register Here](#)

Climate Adaptation Planning for Emergency Management (AWR-347)

Sponsored by DHSES

October 24-25, 2023, 1:00pm - 5:00pm

[Register Here](#)

Nature-Based Solutions for Mitigating Hazards (MGT-484)

Sponsored by NDPTC

Tuesday, October 24, 2023, 1:00pm - 5:00pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! CISA Active Shooter Preparedness Webinar - Region 2 - NJ / NY / PR / USVI

Sponsored by FEMA Region 2

Tuesday, October 24, 2023, 1:00pm - 3:00pm

[Register Here](#)

Planning: Emergency Operations (L-103)

Sponsored by DHSES

October 24-25, 2023, 8:00am - 5:00pm, Genesee County OEM

[Register Here](#)

Evacuation Planning Strategies and Solutions (MGT-461)

Sponsored by NDPTC

October 24-25, 2023, 8:00am - 12:00pm

[Register Here](#)

Intermediate Emergency Operations Center Functions (G-2300)

Sponsored by DHSES

October 24-26, 2023, 8:00am - 5:00pm, Genesee Co. Fire Training Ctr

[Register Here](#)

Community Threat Group Identification, Assessment & Information - Reporting for Rural Law Enforcement Officers

Sponsored by DHSES

Wednesday, October 25, 2023, 9:00am - 1:00pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! CTI-502 (2023) eFINDS Introduction

Sponsored by NYSDOH CTI
Wednesday, October 25, 2023, 1-2pm
[Register Here](#)

NYS Emergency Management Certification & Training Academy Tier 3
Sponsored by DHSES
Thursday, October 26, 2023, 4 Hours, Chemung Regional Airport
[Register Here](#)

MGT-477: Roles for State, Tribal, and Territorial Governments in the Implementation of Disaster Housing Programs
Sponsored by the National Center for Disaster Preparedness
Thursday, October 26, 2023 - Rhode Island, FEMA Region 1
[Register Here](#)

NEW! Hospital Incident Command System
Sponsored by MARO RTC
Monday, October 30, 2023, 10am-12pm
Enroll in LMS Course: [OHEP-HTC-HICS-WEB-BP4](#)

Newcomer Health Webinar Series: Pediatric Nutrition
Sponsored by ECHO CO
Tuesday, October 31, 2023, 9:00am - 10:00am
[Register Here](#)

Equity Foundations
Sponsored by MAR PHTC
Tuesday, October 31, 2023, 1:00pm - 2:00pm
[Register Here](#)

November 2023

Emergency Preparedness Conference for Home Care and Hospice
Sponsored by HCANYS
Wednesday, November 1, 2023, 9:00am - 4:00pm
[Register Here](#)

Cyber Security Response in Healthcare: Emergency Management's Role
Sponsored by MARO RTC
Wednesday, November 1, 2023, 9:00am - 10:00am
Enroll in LMS Course: [OHEP-HTC-HICS-WEB-BP4](#)

Long-term Care Infection Control and Prevention Educational Series - Session 3
Sponsored by HANYS
Wednesday, November 1, 2023, 1:00pm - 4:00pm

[Register Here | Flyer](#)

NEW! Sepsis Core Elements Webinars: Action

Sponsored by Project Firstline

Thursday, November 2, 2023, 1-2pm

[Register Here](#)

2023 Annual IAEM Conference - Pre Conference Training

Sponsored by IAEM

November 3-5, 2023, Long Beach, CA

[Register Here](#)

USFA / FEMA National Training Weekend

Sponsored by National Fire Academy

November 4-5, 2023

[Register Here \(view courses\)](#)

2023 Annual IAEM Conference

Sponsored by IAEM

November 6-8, 2023, Long Beach, CA

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Intermediate ICS for Expanding Incidents (I-300)

Sponsored by NYS Office of Emergency Management

November 6-8, 2023, Rochester

[Register Here](#)

PER-409-V: Pandemic Planning – Mental Health and Behavior Health

Sponsored by National Center for Disaster Preparedness / FEMA Region 4

November 8 and 15, 2023 (two-parts) – online course

[Register Here](#)

2023 Annual IAEM Conference - Post Conference Training

Sponsored by IAEM

Thursday, November 9, 2023, Long Beach, CA

[Register Here](#)

Take a Break: Social Support for the Public Health Workforce

Sponsored by Mid-Atlantic Region PHTC

Friday, November 10, 2023, 12-1pm

[Register Here](#)

Trauma Nursing Core Course (TNCC)

Sponsored by ENA

November 11-23, 2023, 7:30am-4:30pm, Arnot Ogden Medical Center, Elmira, NY

[Register Here](#)

Beginning Equity Conversations

Sponsored by MARPHTC

Tuesday, November 14, 2023, 1:00pm - 2:00pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Decontamination for Fire/EMS

Sponsored by DHSES

Tuesday, November 14, 2023, 4hrs, Oswego County

[Register Here](#)

Biological Incidents Awareness (AWR-118)

Sponsored by DHSES

November 14-15, 2023, 8:00am - 12:00pm

[Register Here](#)

Homeland Security Exercise and Evaluation Program (HSEEP)

Sponsored by DHSES

November 14-15, 2023, 8:00am - 5:00pm | Genesee Co OEM

[Register Here](#)

K0427 Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) Program Manager

Sponsored by FEMA EMI

November 14-17, 2023, 1:00pm - 5:00pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Terrorism Indicators And Suspicious Activity Reporting For Fire/Ems

Sponsored by DHSES

Wednesday, November 15, 2023, 3 Hours, Snyder Fire Dept., Snyder, NY

[Register Here](#)

Healthcare Workplace Violence Mitigation and Control Strategies

Sponsored by AHEPP

Wednesday, November 15, 2023, 12:00pm - 1:00pm

[Register Here](#)

Mass Casualty Impact and Recovery Webinar Series - Session 9: Civil and Criminal Judicial Processes

Sponsored by PSPR2

Thursday, November 16, 2023, 12:00pm - 1:30pm

[Register Here](#) | [FLYER](#)

NEW! Sepsis Core Elements Webinars: Tracking and Reporting

Sponsored by Project Firstline

Thursday, November 16, 2023, 1-2pm

[Register Here](#)

NY Responds for County Emergency Managers

Sponsored by DHSES
Friday, November 17, 2023 (4 Hours)
[Register Here](#)

Winter Weather Hazards: Science and Preparedness (AWR-331)

Sponsored by NDPTC
November 16-17, 2023, 12:00pm - 4:00pm
[Register Here](#)

Mass Casualty Incident Management Workshop

Sponsored by MARO RTC / Northwell CMIRT
Saturday, November 18 and Sunday, November 19, 2023, 8am-5pm, New Hyde Park, NY |
[Register Here](#)

NEW! ICS 700.B REVIEW - An Introduction to the National Incident Management System

Sponsored by MARO HTC
Monday, November 20, 2023, 10:00am - 12:00pm
[Register Here](#)

NEW! Decontamination for Fire/EMS

Sponsored by DHSES
Tuesday, November 21, 2023, 4hrs, Oswego County
[Register Here](#)

NEW! CTI-502 (2023) eFINDS Introduction

Sponsored by NYSDOH CTI
Wednesday, November 22, 2023, 9:00am - 10:00am
[Register Here](#)

Newcomer Health Webinar Series: FGC

Sponsored by ECHO CO
Tuesday, November 28, 2023, 9:00am-10:00am
[Register Here](#)

Public Information Basics

Sponsored by DHSES, Genesee County OEM
November 28-30, 2023, 8:00am - 5:00pm
[Register Here](#)

NEW! Community Planning for Disaster Recovery (AWR-356)

Sponsored by NDPTC
November 29-30, 2023, 2:00pm - 6:00pm
[Register Here](#)

December 2023

NEW! NY Responds Incident Management System Training

Sponsored by DHSES

Monday, December 4, 2023

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Community Resilience

Sponsored by NDPTC

December 4-5, 2023, 4:00pm - 8:00pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! E0490 - Voluntary Agency Coordination in Disasters

Sponsored by FEMA EMI NETC

December 4-7, 2023, NETC - Emmitsburg, MD

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Active Threat Integrated Response (PER-340)

Sponsored by DHSES

December 5-7, 2023, 8:00am - 5:00pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! K0428 Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) Train-The-Trainer

Sponsored by FEMA / EMI

December 5-7 & 12-14, 2023, 1:00pm - 5:00pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Climate Adaptation Planning for Emergency Management (AWR-347)

Sponsored by NDPTC

December 6-7, 2023, 12:00pm - 4:00pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Long-term Care Infection Control and Prevention Educational Series - Session 4 [Flyer](#)

Sponsored by HANYS

Wednesday, December 6, 2023, 1:00pm - 4:00pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Preparing for & Responding to Emergencies Involving Individuals with Developmental Disabilities

Sponsored by AZ Partners in Prep

Wednesday, December 6, 2023, 3:00pm - 4:00pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Sepsis Core Elements Webinars: Leadership Commitment

Sponsored by CDC Project Firstline

Thursday, December 7, 2023, 1-2pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! HANYS Responding to Aggressive Behavior in Healthcare Settings Webinar Series: Leveraging Community Violence Specialists through SNUG

Sponsored by HANYS

Thursday, December 7, 2023, 2:00pm - 3:00pm

[Register Here](#)

Take a Break: Social Support for the Public Health Workforce

Sponsored by Mid-Atlantic Region PHTC

Friday, December 10, 2023, 12-1pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Basic CHEC - Basic Certified Healthcare Emergency Coordinator (CHEC)

Western Region ONLY (Allegany, Cattaraugus, Chautauqua, Chemung, Erie, Genesee, Livingston, Monroe, Niagara, Ontario, Orleans, Schuyler, Seneca, Steuben, Wayne, Wyoming, Yates)

December 12-13, 2023 – 8:30am – 5:00pm

NYSDOH WR Office, 1565 Jefferson Road, Eagles Landing Office Park, Rochester, NY 14623

[Register Here](#) Enrollment Code: CHEC-B1212

NEW! Unmanned Aircraft Systems in Disaster Management (AWR-345)

Sponsored by DHSES

December 12-13, 2023, 1:00pm - 5:00pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Basic CHEC - Basic Certified Healthcare Emergency Coordinator (CHEC)

Central NY Region ONLY (Broome, Cayuga, Chenango, Cortland, Herkimer, Jefferson, Lewis, Madison, Oneida, Onondaga, Oswego, St Lawrence, Tioga, Tompkins)

December 12-13, 2023 – 8:30am – 5:00pm

Virtual

[Register Here](#) Enrollment Code: CHEC-B1212-CNY

NEW! Basic Certified Healthcare Emergency Coordinator (CHEC)

Capital District Region ONLY (Albany, Clinton, Columbia, Delaware, Essex, Franklin, Fulton, Greene, Hamilton, Montgomery, Otsego, Rensselaer, Saratoga, Schenectady, Schoharie, Warren, Washington)

December 12-13, 2023 – 8:00am – 5:00pm

VIRTUAL

[Register Here](#) Enrollment Code: CHEC-B1212-CDR

NEW! Advanced CHEC Course

Western Region ONLY (Allegany, Cattaraugus, Chautauqua, Chemung, Erie, Genesee, Livingston, Monroe, Niagara, Ontario, Orleans, Schuyler, Seneca, Steuben, Wayne, Wyoming, Yates)

Tuesday, December 19, 2023 – 8:30am – 5:00pm

NYSDOH WR Office, 1565 Jefferson Road, Eagles Landing Office Park, Rochester, NY 14623

[Register Here](#) Enrollment Code: CHEC-A1219

NEW! Upstate Burn ECHO - Airway Management: To Intubate or Not to Intubate

Sponsored by SUNY Upstate

Tuesday, December 19, 2023, 12:00pm - 1:00pm

[Register Here](#)

January 2024

NEW! Medical Management of CBRNE Events (PER-211)

Sponsored by DHSES

January 10-11, 2024, 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Location: Erie County Training Center; Rm 113; 3359 Broadway, Cheektowaga, NY 14227

[Register Here](#)

The above registration link will bring you directly to the detailed information for the course. In order to register for the course, you will need to be signed in to the [DHSES Learning Management System \(LMS\)](#) Student Portal. If you do not have an account in the DHSES LMS, please fill out a [New User Account Access Request Webform](#). Accounts take 2-5 business days to be created.

New & OnDemand Content - NYLearnsPH.com

NEW! OHEP-BP5-BPR5 WEBINAR: BPR-5 Medical Countermeasure (MCM) Point of Dispensing (POD) Access and Functional Needs (AFN) Annual PHEP Exercise/Real Event

Sponsored by NYSDOH OHEP

Recorded September 19, 2023

Enroll in LMS Course: [OHEP-BP5-BPR5](#)

NEW! BPR-3: Local Health Department (LHD) Core Deliverables Overview Webinar

Sponsored by NYSDOH OHEP

Recorded on September 14, 2023

Enroll in LMS Course: [OHEP-BP5-BPR3](#)

NEW! Log-in2Learn: The Swag Deficit: How and Why Public Health Sucks All The Fun Out of Everything

Sponsored by Region 2 PHTC

Recorded September 5, 2023

Enroll in LMS Course: [Reg2PHTC-L2L202309](#)

Integrating Infection Prevention and Control Science into POD-based Planning

Sponsored by South Central Partnership, Tulane University

Recorded October 20, 2021

Enroll in LMS Course: [SCP-3133](#)

Partnering with the Autism Community on Inclusive Emergency Preparedness

Sponsored by Association of State and Territorial Health Officials (ASTHO)

Recorded September 20, 2022

Enroll in LMS Course: [ASTHO-20220920](#)

Integrating Infection Prevention and Control Science into POD-based Planning

Sponsored by South Central Partnership, Tulane University

Recorded October 20, 2021

Enroll in LMS Course: [SCP-3133](#)

HTC BP5 Monthly Webinar Series Session 2: The Poison Center and Toxin Hazmat Incidents

Sponsored by CNY HTC

Recorded September 19, 2023

Enroll in LMS Course: [OHEP-HTC-BP5-S2-092023-CNY](#)

HTC Webinar Series - BP5 Session 1 - NYS CHEMPACK Program Overview

Sponsored by WR HTC (FLRTC)

Recorded July 25, 2023

Register in LMS Course: [OHEP-HTC-BP5-S1-072023-WR](#)

Ready or Not 2023: Protecting the Public's Health from Diseases, Disasters, and Bioterrorism

Sponsored by Trust for America's Health

Recorded May 2023

Enroll in LMS Course: [TFAH-20230503](#)

The 2023 Western Region Healthcare Coalition Emergency Management Webinar Series: Trauma Management for Rural EMS and Community Hospitals (TRAUMA REACH 2023)

Sponsored by WR RTC

Recorded April 25-26, 2023

Enroll in LMS Course: [WRHEPC-TREACH2023-ONLINE](#)

Disaster Mental Health: A Survivor's Perspective

Sponsored by NYSDOH OHEP

Recorded on April 4, 2023

Enroll in LMS Course: [OHEP-BP4-HPP5](#)

HTC Webinar Series - BP4 Session 3 - Emergency Planning and Preparedness for Persons with Disabilities & Access and Functional Needs - PART II

Sponsored by WR HTC (FLRTC)

Recorded on March 15, 2023

Enroll in LMS Course: [OHEP-HTC-BP4-S3-032023-WR](#)

Enroll in Part I LMS Course: [RTC-BP3-S6-122021-WR](#)

Cyber Security Response in Healthcare: Emergency Management's Role

Sponsored by MARO HTC

Recorded on February 16, 2023

Enroll in LMS Course: [OHEP-HTC-BP4-S2-022023-MARO](#)

Guidance to Complete ServNY Notification Drill

Sponsored by NYSDOH OHEP

2022-2023 Public Health Emergency Preparedness Program Deliverable BPR-4

Enroll in LMS Course: [OHEP-BP4-BPR4](#)

Psychological First Aid

Sponsored by NYSDOH OHEP

Enroll in LMS Course: [OHEP-OMH-PFA-NY](#)

Evidence-Based Approaches for Post-Disaster Mental Health Disorders

Sponsored by South Central Partnership

Enroll in LMS Course: [SCP-2055](#)

Addressing Human Trafficking in Healthcare Settings

Sponsored by Region V Public Health Training Center

Free CE and Certs: 1.75 Nursing Contact Hours | 1.75 CHES Category I CECH

Enroll in LMS Course: [RVPHTC-20210201](#)

Additional Training of Interest

NEW! COCA Call: Preparing for the Upcoming Respiratory Virus Season: Recommendations for Influenza, COVID-19, and RSV Vaccines for Older Adults

Sponsored by CDC COCA

Recorded September 19, 2023

[View Here](#)

NEW! Social Media Cards and Videos: Antibiotic Resistance | CDC

Sponsored by CDC

[View Here](#)

Vaccine Equity: Combating COVID-19 Misinformation

Sponsored by ASTHO

Recorded February 13, 2023

[View Here](#)

Micro-learn training topic: What to Do When You See a Patient with Cough & Congestion

Sponsored by CDC Project Firstline

[View Here](#)

COCA Call: 2023-2024 Recommendations for Influenza Prevention and Treatment in Children: An Update for Pediatric Providers

Sponsored by CDC COCA

Recorded August 31, 2023

[View Here](#)

Performance Management is Foundational to PHAB

Sponsored by Region V PHTC / PHAB

1.0 MCHES Category I CECH, Free to enroll. CE and certificate of completion are \$3.

[View Here](#)

Dealing with Stress in Disasters: Building Psychological Resilience

Sponsored by Boston University School of Public Health

Federal Policy to Advance Racial, Ethnic, and Tribal Health Equity: Release Webinar

Sponsored by National Academies

Recorded July 27, 2023 | [View Here](#)

Communicating Public Health Emergency Messaging to Diverse Populations: the California and Los Angeles County Experience

Sponsored by Emergency Partners Information Connection (EPIC) (cdc.gov)

Recorded June 07, 2023 | [View Here](#)

Climate & Health Champions: "Tell the Story"

Sponsored by NY Academy of Medicine

Recorded June 5, 2023 | [View Here](#)

Around the Table - Climate & Health Champions: 2023 Series Kick Off Event: Tell the Story

Sponsored by The New York Academy of Medicine

Recorded May 25, 2023 | [View Here](#)

Infection Prevention and Control Post COVID-19 Public Health Emergency

Sponsored by CDC Project Firstline

Recorded May 16, 2023 | [View Here](#)

Texas Hurricane Response Hub (TxHRH) online course bundle

Sponsored by Region 6 PHTC | [View Here](#)

Addressing Human Trafficking in Healthcare Settings

Sponsored by Region V PHTC | [View Here](#) (Self Paced-CE)

Web-based Courses on Mass Care Community Sheltering and Relocation Assistance and Pandemic Planning are Now Available

Sponsored by NCDP | [View Here](#)

Project Public Health Ready (PPHR) for LHDs

Sponsored by NACCHO & CDC

Online course | [View Here](#)

Medical Needs Sheltering

Sponsored by Region 6 South Central Public Health Training Center

Online course | [View Here](#)

Public Health Prepared Training Catalog

Sponsored by U of Michigan Center for Infectious Disease Threats & Pandemic Preparedness

[Access Training Catalog](#)

National Center for Disaster Preparedness (NCDP)

A New Learning Management System is Coming Soon!

Download Your Current FEMA Certificate(s) by October 17, 2023.

We're excited to share news regarding the upcoming launch of our new Learning Management System (LMS). We will be launching this new LMS this fall. Our new system offers improved functionality, a user-friendly interface, and updated content that will benefit individuals and organizations involved in disaster risk management. As we transition from the former to the new system, now is the time to finish your web-based courses to earn your FEMA certificates before October 17, 2023. Be sure to download your certificates as well. Once the new LMS system is launched, your previous certificates will only be available upon request. To learn more and register for web-based trainings, please visit our training portal at <https://www.ncdpcourses.org>.

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The National Center for Disaster Preparedness, through its FEMA training grants, will be offering the following *free* upcoming trainings.

Live Virtual Learning (September - November 2023)

The training hosts are in the locations below; learners in other FEMA regions are welcome to attend.

- **November 8 and 15, 2023 (two-parts) - Florida, FEMA Region 4**
 - [PER-409-V: Pandemic Planning – Mental Health and Behavior Health](#)

Instructor-led In-Person Learning (September - October 2023)

The training hosts are in the locations below; however, learners throughout the FEMA regions are also welcome to attend.

- **October 26, 2023 - Rhode Island, FEMA Region 1**
 - [MGT-477: Roles for State, Tribal, and Territorial Governments in the Implementation of Disaster Housing Programs](#)

Pandemic Planning Training is Available for Scheduling

Our newest course, [MGT-488: Pandemic Planning - Emergency Management and Public Health Coordination](#), has just been certified by FEMA. This instructor-led, management-level course will provide participants with an understanding of how emergency management and public health/medical agencies can coordinate during pandemics and other public health emergencies. The course will review the roles and responsibilities of federal, state, local, tribal, territorial governments, and private sector entities during pandemics. An overview of the National Disaster Medical System (NDMS) will also be provided. The goal of the training is to provide participants with ways to increase coordination between agencies so that they are more prepared during a public health emergency.

NCDP is looking for training hosts in all ten FEMA Regions. These trainings are *free* and sponsored through a training grant from FEMA. Please contact us to learn more at ncdptraining@columbia.edu.