Welcome to the **September 2018** issue of the Aware Prepare Update. This monthly electronic newsletter is your guide to upcoming trainings related to preparedness. 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.

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Regional Training Center (RTC) Calendar – September 2018

Regional Training Centers provide training to strengthen emergency planning and response efforts of Health Emergency Preparedness Coalition (HEPC) partners.

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<td>Eileen Spezio RTC Coordinator, University of Rochester Medical Center&lt;br&gt;585 758-7642 (office)&lt;br&gt;<a href="mailto:Eileen.Spezio@URMC.Rochester.edu">Eileen.Spezio@URMC.Rochester.edu</a></td>
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### CTI-201
**Preparing MERITS For Your Organization's Use**

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This Course Is for County Health Departments Only.

The purpose of this course is to prepare the NYSDOH Medical Emergency Response Inventory Tracking System (MERITS) application for management of an organization's inventory.

### CTI-300
**Integrated Health Alerting and Notification System (IHANS) Training & Certification**

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This course covers all information necessary to begin the certification process for using the Integrated Health Alerting & Notification System.

Participants will receive hands-on practice with the tools and be offered an opportunity to complete certification.

Users who wish to complete certification are strongly encouraged to send an advance message to any audience they may broadcast to as part of the certification process. Typically, course participants broadcast a sample notification to their HIN Coordinators (LHDs) or Directory Coordinators (NYSDOH).

### CTI-502
**New York State Evacuation of Facilities in Disasters Systems (eFINDS) version 3.0**

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The New York State Evacuation of Facilities in Disasters Systems (eFINDS) is the patient/resident tracking application housed on the Health Commerce System (HCS).

This course provides a solid foundation for registering and updating patient/resident location information during an incident or event, such as a storm, flood, non-natural incident or practice exercise/drill.

Course participants will be provided a demonstration of the eFINDS application including: eFINDS Data Reporter and eFINDS Data Administrator role permissions; how to register a patient/resident with a scanner and without; use a spreadsheet to register multiple patient/residents; update patient/resident tracking information as an evacuating facility, and as a receiving facility. The session concludes with hands-on exercises.
## Background

The Interoperable Communications (IOC) Drills are designed to help Health Emergency Preparedness Coalitions (HEPC) partners ensure that they have redundant forms of communication among their members. Redundant communications refers to having multiple back-up communication modalities, and is critical to emergency preparedness planning. Past exercise and real-world events demonstrate that health care coalitions cannot depend on just one or even two means for communication.

Based on requirements of the Hospital Preparedness Program for two annual IOC Drills, and corrective actions from previous exercises and real-life events, the Office of Health Emergency Preparedness is planning to conduct one drill in the Fall of 2018. In preparation for the drill, two optional training webinars are planned: *Exercises 101*, and *Writing an After-Action Report* to assist partners who are new to exercises and drills.

## Goal

The goals of the webinars are to ensure that local healthcare and public health preparedness partners:
- Become familiar with types of preparedness exercises, and why exercises are an important component of ongoing emergency preparedness activities.
- Learn how to document observed strengths and areas for improvements identified during an exercise.

## Target Audience

Home Care providers, Nursing Home staff, Community Health Care Center staff, and Adult Care Facility staff who are responsible for conducting exercises.

## NYSDOH Faculty


## Training Dates (1:00 pm—2:00 pm)

- September 7, 2018—Exercises 101
- September 21, 2018—Writing an AAR

## Questions Regarding NYSDOH Learning Management System (LMS)

Direct questions to edlearn@health.ny.gov or 518-474-2893.

## Questions Regarding Training

Direct questions to prepedap@health.ny.gov or 518-474-2893.

## Registration

To enroll in the training, please go to www.NYLearnsPH.com and either register or login to the LMS. Search Course Catalog for: OHEP-PREIOCEX-2018 OR OHEP-PREIOCAAR-2018.
# Volunteer Management Request Training

## HPP Deliverable 8

### Background
ServNY is an application used to register, verify credentials, and manage medical and nonmedical volunteers willing to respond during a public health emergency.

### Goal
This training will introduce participants to ServNY Version 2, the NYSDOH registry of medically-credentialed volunteers, who are willing to respond during Public Health emergencies, as well as provide the means to request volunteers during times of emergency.

### Target Audience
Hospital Emergency Management Coordinator or other staff as authorized by the hospital.

### Objectives
Upon completion of this training session, participants will be able to:
- Understand the network of medically-credentialed volunteers across the state
- Describe the Emergency System for Advance Registration of Volunteer Health Professionals (ESAR-VHP)
- Understand what ServNY is and how to request use of the volunteers
- Have an awareness of the Public Officer’s Law
- Know the roles and activities of medically credentialed volunteers
- Know the roles and activities of non-medically-credentialed volunteers
- Understand importance of facility based ServNY Reporter Role within HCS

### NYSDOH Faculty
- Jonathan Pease, Volunteer Program Coordinator, Office of Health Emergency Preparedness, NYDOH
- Vanessa Murphy, Emergency Preparedness Associate Attorney, NYSDOH Division of Legal Affairs / Bureau of Program Counsel

### Training Dates: (choose one)
- Aug. 22, 2018 @ 10:00 am – 11:30 am
- Sep. 14, 2018 @ 10:00 am – 11:30 am

### Questions Regarding NYSDOH Learning Management System (LMS)
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### Registration
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### Background

The NYSDOH OHEP and its emergency planning partners continue to streamline healthcare facility evacuation planning and enhance operations of the Healthcare Facility Evacuation Center (HEC).

The HEC is a NYSDOH led coordination center that centralizes support for an evacuation of hospitals, nursing homes, adult care facilities, veterans and psychiatric hospitals. The HEC supports evacuating and sheltering in place (SiP) healthcare facilities with information, bed availability and transportation resources, troubleshooting and the repatriation of healthcare facilities following an event.

### Goal

To provide individuals who will be staffing the HEC with a training on how to operate within the HEC. Staff working within the HEC will also learn with whom the HEC interacts, local ESF-8 structures and other response partners. This will include the organization structure and command of the HEC, the software application and role specific training for staff serving in all HEC roles. Modules are as follows:

1. HEC Overview
2. HEC Application Overview
3. HEC Leadership Roles
4. HEC Triage Coordinators
5. HEC Bed Coordinators
6. HEC Transportation Unit

### NYSDOH Faculty

- Shannon Ethier, Deputy Director, Office of Health Emergency Preparedness

### Target Audience

Individuals who would be expected to staff the HEC.

### Questions Regarding NYSDOH Learning Management System (LMS)

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### Questions Regarding Training

Direct questions to prepedap@health.ny.gov or 518-474-2893.

### Registration

To enroll in the training, please go to www.NYLearnsPH.com and either register or login to the LMS. In the Course Catalog,

- Click on the Program Catalog tab and select “2018 Health Care Facility Evacuation Center (HEC) Worker Module Training”
- To enroll: Scroll below course table and click “Begin Program Enrollment”
- Scroll down below “Course Status Table” to enroll in each program course.
- Click “Enroll” button for each program course, one at a time.
- Once you enroll in all courses you will receive a Program Enrollment Summary.
- Visit My Courses and click on Current Programs to check your progress.
INTRODUCTION:
All hospitals and healthcare systems receiving Federal preparedness and response grants, contracts or cooperative agreements (HPP Grant) must maintain compliance in training staff in the National Incident Management System (NIMS). NIMS courses include IS-100, IS-200 and IS-700 or their equivalents. This webinar series is designed to provide an overview of each course and to prepare staff for the FEMA exam/certification.

SESSION OVERVIEW:

- **ICS 700** recorded webinar session provides an introduction and overview of the National Incident Management System (NIMS). NIMS provides a consistent nationwide template to enable all government, private sector, and nongovernmental organizations to work together during domestic incidents.
- **ICS 100** recorded webinar session introduces the Incident Command System (ICS) and provides the foundation for higher level ICS training. This session describes the history, features and principles, and organizational structure of the Incident Command System. It also explains the relationship between ICS and the National Incident Management System (NIMS)
- **ICS 200** recorded webinar session will cover Incident Command System (ICS) principals which will enable personnel to operate efficiently during an incident or event. This session will provide training on and resources for personnel who are likely to assume a supervisory position within the ICS.
- **HICS** recorded review session will provide an overview of the Hospital Incident Command System (HICS) and the operation of the Hospital Command Center (HCC) during emergency and non-emergency situations.

TARGET AUDIENCE:

- **FEMA IS Sessions:** Staff person(s) who are either preparing to take the FEMA IS exam(s) or need a refresher in ICS basics.
- **HICS:** Staff person(s) who need an introduction or refresher on Hospital Incident Command System principles.

REGISTRATION:

Please click [https://www.nylearnsph.com](https://www.nylearnsph.com)

Search Course Catalog for appropriate course to enroll in webinar training:

- RTC-IS700-Rec
- RTC-IS100-Rec
- RTC-IS200-Rec
- RTC-HICS-Rec

RECORDED WEBINAR SESSION DETAILS:

- **ICS 700 Recorded Webinar (RTC-IS700-Rec)**
  Recorded: January 18, 2017
  Session Length: 1 hr 25 min 34 sec
  [IS-700.a Course Handout](#)
- **ICS 100 Recorded Webinar (RTC-IS100-Rec)**
  Recorded: January 23, 2017
  Session Length: 1 hr 25 min 42 sec
  [IS-100.b Course Handout](#)
- **ICS 200 Recorded Webinar (RTC-IS200-Rec)**
  Recorded: February 01, 2017
  Session Length: 1 hr 23 min 38 sec
  [IS-200.B Course Handout](#)
- **HICS Recorded Webinar (RTC-HICS-Rec)**
  Recorded: February 08, 2017
  Session Length: 1 hr 22 min 21 sec
  [HICS Review Course Handout](#)

FEMA CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS:

In order to receive official certification in the IS courses students must take the FEMA Final Exam via links provided. Please note that the IS Program now requires a FEMA SID to be used instead of your SSN. If you do not have a SID, register for one here.

- **FEMA IS-700.a Final Exam**
- **FEMA IS-100.b Final Exam**
- **FEMA IS-200.b Final Exam**

*There is no FEMA exam/certification for HICS

Questions Regarding NYSDOH Learning Management System (LMS):
Direct questions to edlearn@health.ny.gov

Questions Regarding Training:
Direct to appropriate RTC:

- **AMC Regional Training Center** – Chris Smith
  Phone: (518) 262-1070
  SmithC12@mail.amc.edu
- **FL Regional Training Center** – Anne D’Angelo
  Phone: (585) 758-7640
  anne_dangelo@urmc.rochester.edu
- **MARO Regional Training Center** – Connie Kraft
  Phone: (631) 444-9074
  Connie.Cincotta-Kraft@stonybrookmedicine.edu
**ClinOps-201808** Discovery of the Longhorned Tick in New York: Impact on Public Health

The August 2018 Medical Countermeasure (MCM) Clinical Operations Webinar will highlight the discovery of the Asian Longhorned or *Haemaphysalis longicornis* tick, in New York State. The presenters will provide a general description of the tick, how officials confirmed the presence of the species in New York and the potential public health impact to animals and humans. Tick prevention strategies will also be discussed.

**ClinOps-201806** Pandemic Influenza: Community Mitigation Measures

This webinar will review the non-pharmaceutical interventions (NPI's) most readily available to help slow the transmission of the virus in communities before vaccine becomes widely available. The updated 2013 Community Mitigation Guidelines replace the 2007 "Interim Pre-pandemic Planning Guidance Guidance: Community Strategy for Pandemic Influenza Mitation in the United States". Although several elements remain unchanged several new elements have been incorporated in the most recently released document, These changes will be highlighted.

**ClinOps-201803** CDMS: General Overview of the Disconnected Client Application

The March 2018 Medical Countermeasure (MCM) Clinical Operations Webinar will be a presentation of the newly released Disconnected Application. The overview of this application will include general procedures and documentation requirements as well as general use of the system. The webinar will include a demonstration of the application.

**ClinOps-201802** Medical Countermeasure Clinical Operations Webinar-Annual Public Health Emergency Preparedness Exercise Informational Session Third Quarter

In preparation for the BP-1 (2017-2018) Budget Period Requirement (BPR) Annual Public Health Emergency Preparedness Exercise deliverable (BPR-4/CRI-8), quarterly webinars will be hosted for all local health departments (LHD) to provide information related to the exercise as planning develops. The goal of this webinar based training for LHD preparedness planners will highlight the following:

- Deliverable brief
- Update current statewide and regional exercise design process
- Question and answer session

**ClinOps-201708** Medical Countermeasure Clinical Operations Webinar-Annual Public Health Emergency Preparedness Exercise Informational Session First Quarter

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**ClinOps-201706** Conducting Vaccination Clinics at Point of Dispensing Sites: Practice Standards, Vaccine Safety and Credentialing Vaccinators

The webinar will include considerations for credentialing staff and volunteers performing vaccinations during an emergency at Points of Dispensing (POD) including licensure, certifications and vaccination or status of immunity in accordance with State Education Law, requirements for Standing Medical Orders and key considerations for POD site selection for vaccination clinics. Best practice for mixing and reconstituting vaccine, vaccination technique and infection control standards for immunization administration will be reviewed as well as Just-In-Time Training for vaccinators. Logistical considerations for vaccine cold chain management including packaging, suitable storage containers, transport and methods for temperature monitoring will be summarized.
The Climate and Health Team at the New York State Department of Health has developed two new courses to describe the adverse health effects climate can have on health and to prepare public health leaders in the field. As climate change becomes more apparent, extreme weather events and natural disasters are expected to increase in size and intensity. It is crucial that public health leaders are prepared for the impacts climate change may have on their programs and the people they serve.

“Heat and Health in New York State” is intended to educate social service providers and community leaders in preventing heat’s adverse health effects among vulnerable populations. “WIC and Climate Change in New York State” describes the impacts of climate change and what it may mean for WIC programs. Both courses provide evidence of the climate changing, how people may be affected, and resources or mitigation strategies in response to the changing climate.

Visit the course pages to learn more.

Heat and Health in New York State  Enroll in LMS: NYSDOH-Climate1
WIC and Climate Change in New York State  Enroll in LMS: NYSDOH-Climate2

Prerequisite: Climate Change and Public Health 101 - Northeast Edition
20 minute online course! This course focuses on the public health impacts from climate change that are of most concern to the Northeast and what local health departments can do to mitigate and prevent them.
Enroll in LMS: BRACE-Climate101

Webinar 1 - NYS Department of Health: Climate & Health Profile (Originally Aired March 30, 2016)
Presenter: Asante Shipp Hilts
The webinar will describe the changing NYS climate, climate-related health impacts, vulnerable populations, methods for assessing vulnerability, challenges and opportunities, existing NYS initiatives and collaborations, and implementation of the NYSDOH Climate and Health Strategic Map.
Enroll in LMS: Reg2PHTC-Climate1

Webinar 2 - Climate & Health Research in NYS / Hazard Vulnerability Analysis Process in IL (Originally Aired April 13, 2016)
Presenters: Dr. Shao Lin, University at Albany, School of Public Health; Elena Grossman, University of Illinois at Chicago, BRACE-Illinois Project
Enroll in LMS: Reg2PHTC-Climate2

Webinar 3 - Ahmedabad Heat Action Plan – Improving city resilience against extreme heatwave (Originally Aired April 19, 2016)
Presenter: Dr. Partha Sarthi Ganguly, Indian Institute of Public Health, Gandhinagar, Climate Health Initiatives
Enroll in LMS: Reg2PHTC-Climate3
### UASPH-PHL20170615

**Public Health Live! Preparing for Extreme Heat in New York State**

**Originally Aired June 15, 2017**

**Provider:** UAlbany School of Public Health—Center for Public Health Continuing Education  
Enroll in the LMS course: [UASPH-PHL20170615](#)

**Presenters:**  
Neil Muscatiello  
Principal Investigator, NYSDOH Center for Environmental Health  
Asante Shipp Hlts  
Senior Project Coordinator, NYSDOH, Office of Public Health Practice

**Target Audience:**  
Physicians, physician assistants, nurses, nurse practitioners, health educators, environmental health experts and other health professionals working in local health departments, hospitals and clinics, as well as EMTs/first responders, law enforcement personnel, climatologists and those in community-based settings, schools, youth centers, senior care facilities and any other population-based settings that interact with the public to respond to extreme heat events.

This webcast will explain the health risks of exposure to extreme heat as an impact of the changing climate in New York State. The webcast will review prior extreme heat events and the current and projected climate trends and offer practical strategies to help the public prepare for extreme heat. Speakers will describe ways to prevent heat related illness and examples of local extreme heat response plans, including splash parks and cooling centers. These approaches and other state and federal initiatives to address extreme heat, as well as how collaborations can help prepare communities for extreme heat events, will be discussed. By highlighting the promotion healthy and safe environments, this webcast focuses on one of the five priority areas in the [New York State Prevention Agenda](#), the blueprint for state and local action to improve the health of New Yorkers.

**Learning Objectives**

After watching this webcast participants will be able to:  
- Describe the extent of extreme heat occurrences in NYS and the nation;  
- List at least three health risks associated with extreme heat;  
- Identify populations who are most vulnerable the health effects from extreme heat; and  
- Name at least two initiatives to address the health risks of extreme heat.

### PCEPN-EM101

**Emergency Management for Primary Care Centers**

Primary Care Emergency Preparedness Network (PCEPN) is co-led by the Community Health Care Association of New York State (CHCANYS) and the Primary Care Development Corporation (PCDC) and was created in close partnership with and support from the NYC Department of Health and Mental Hygiene Office of Emergency Preparedness and Response. PCEPN helps coordinate planning, training, and response services for the New York City primary care community so they can prepare for and respond to community and citywide needs in the event of a disaster or emergency on a local and regional level.

**Provider:** CHCANYS

**Enroll in LMS#:** PCEPN-EM101

Please contact the PCEPN team at [info@pcepn.org](mailto:info@pcepn.org) with any questions or concerns.

This 30 minute pre-recorded course will provide an overview of the four phases of emergency management, the key elements of an emergency management program and plan, staff roles, and the role of the primary care center in emergencies and disasters. This course is recommended for primary care staff of all levels. To receive a certificate of completion for this course please take the pre-test and the post-test.  
*For optimum performance please use Google Chrome to view*
Recent CDC COCA (Clinician Outreach and Communication Activity) Calls

**Don’t Overlook Assessing Environmental Exposures—During a Disaster and Every Day**  
**Date:** February 13, 2018  
Environmental hazards are often not considered during patient intake. Taking a full exposure history of patients during intake can ensure an accurate diagnosis, both during a disaster situation, or in an everyday consult. During this COCA call, clinicians will learn how to utilize the expertise and support from the Pediatric Environmental Health Specialty Units (PEHSUs).  
[Link](https://emergency.cdc.gov/coca/calls/2018/callinfo_021318.asp)

**Update on the 2017-2018 Influenza Season for Clinicians**  
**Date:** February 8, 2018  
Influenza-related hospitalization rates so far in the 2017–2018 season are exceeding milestones set during the 2014–2015 season—a high severity, H3N2-predominant season. During this COCA call, CDC flu experts will address clinical issues for influenza patients, including those with severe disease, and provide the latest updates on the 2017-2018 influenza season.  
[Link](https://emergency.cdc.gov/coca/calls/2018/callinfo_020818.asp)

**Primary Care Providers’ Role in Supporting Children, Families, and Professional Self-Care Following Hurricanes and Other Disasters**  
**Date:** October 26, 2017  
Primary care providers are essential for promoting children’s mental health and well-being throughout the recovery process following hurricanes. Disasters such as Hurricanes Harvey, Irma and Maria can cause short and long-term effects on the psychological functioning, emotional adjustment, health, and developmental trajectory of children. Additionally, disasters often impact healthcare providers to at least the same degree they impact others in the community, and being with suffering children and families can be distressing for providers. During this COCA Call, clinicians will learn to identify common adjustment difficulties in children, practical strategies to promote effective coping skills in children and their parents, and the importance of professional self-care and strategies to address this need.  
[Link](https://emergency.cdc.gov/coca/calls/2017/callinfo_102617.asp)

Archived COCA conference calls are available at [Link](https://emergency.cdc.gov/coca/calls/index.asp)  
Free continuing education (CME, CNE, ACPE, CEU, CECH, and AAVSB/RACE) are available for most calls. For more information about free CE, visit [Link](https://emergency.cdc.gov/coca/continuingeducation.asp)
### CDC-CERC-01
**Crisis and Emergency Risk Communication (CERC)**

- **Provider:** Centers for Disease Control & Prevention
- **Course Updated:** 6/25/2014
- **Average Completion Time:** 2hrs
- **Continuing Education:** 0.2 CEUs
- **Enroll in LMS Course #:** [CDC-CERC-01](#)

At the conclusion of the training, the participant will be able to do the following:
- Explain Crisis and Emergency Risk Communication (CERC) principles.
- Describe the psychology of a crisis and the type of messages each audience needs.
- Explain how to tailor messages.
- Define core concepts of crisis communication planning.
- Explain the roles of the media and spokesperson.
- Describe the benefits of social media and mobile media devices.

### CDC-RAD
**Radiation Basics Made Simple**

- **Average Completion Time:** 1.5 hrs
- **Continuing Education:** 0.1 CEUs, 1.4 CNEs, 1.5 CMEs
- **Enroll in LMS Course #:** [CDC-RAD](#)

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Radiation Studies Branch announces the launch of *Radiation Basics Made Simple*, the first in a series of radiation preparedness training modules. *Radiation Basics Made Simple* introduces participants to the fundamentals of radiation and radioactivity.

### CDC-PSYCH
**Psychological First Aid in Radiation Disasters**

- **Average Completion Time:** 1.25 hrs
- **Continuing Education:** 0.1 CEUs, 1.2 CNEs, 1.25 CMEs
- **Enroll in LMS Course #:** [CDC-PSYCH](#)

*Psychological First Aid in Radiation Disasters* is a self-study training that uses interviews conducted with experts involved in the Goiania and Three Mile Island incidents, and video scenarios that allow participants to observe how psychological first aid techniques can be employed in a variety of response settings.

### SNS-101
**SNS Overview**

- **LMS Course Completion Requirement:** “Message” TRAIN Certificate to Course Administrator
- **Continuing Education:** 1 CHES; 1 CME; 0.1 Continuing Nursing Education; 1 MCHES
- **TRAIN CE Course #:** WB 2273
- **Course ID:** 1041004
- **Enroll in LMS Course #:** [SNS-101](#)

The course is designed to provide basic background information and definitions of federal agencies, stakeholders and other partners that will help understand all SNS operations during a public health event. The SNS Overview Course will fill the professional practice gap by providing the states and local agencies with information to manage SNS assets that may be deployed to sites during a public health emergency. The participants will learn the levels of support provided by the SNS, and the response concepts, the planning functions needed for consideration and operational requirements for receiving, distributing and dispensing of SNS material.

### SNS-103
**Closed Point of Dispensing Considerations: an SNS Perspective**

- **LMS Course Completion Requirement:** “Message” TRAIN Certificate to Course Administrator
- **Continuing Education:** 1.5 CME; .14 ACPE-Contact Hours; 1.4 ANCC: Contact Hours Continuing Nursing Education; 1.5 MCHES
- **TRAIN Course ID:** 1055915
- **Enroll in LMS Course #:** [SNS-103](#)

The Closed POD Planning course provides state and local agencies with information to manage Closed POD sites during a public health emergency. It covers planning functions for designing a system to quickly dispense prophylactic medications to the employees and their families. The course introduces common terminology and concepts of mass dispensing at the community level. Some locations may use other terminology.
### CDC-MYTHS

**Communicating in Radiation Emergencies: Myths of Radiation**

**Provider:** Centers for Disease Control  
**Average Completion Time:** 1 hr  
**LMS Course Completion Requirement:** "Message" Certificate to Course Administrator  
**Continuing Education:** 0.1 CEUs  
**Enroll in LMS Course #:** CDC-MYTHS

Communicating in Radiation Emergencies: Myths of Radiation introduces participants to some common myths of radiation and identifies communications strategies to combat these and other myths. The training uses Person-On-The-Street interviews to identify the myths and features a discussion between risk communication and radiation subject matter experts to set the record straight.  

**OBJECTIVES:**  
- Describe seven common misconceptions associated with radiation.  
- Debunk seven misconceptions using science-based explanations.  
- Discuss one strategy to communicate accurate information during a radiation emergency for each misconception presented.

### CDC-PS2014

**Packaging and Shipping Division 6.2 Materials Online Course**

**LMS Course Completion Requirement:** "Message" TRAIN Certificate to Course Administrator  
**Continuing Education:** 2 CEUs  
**Course ID 1017204**  
**Enroll in LMS Course #:** CDC-PS2014

Packaging and shipping Division 6.2 materials, such as patient specimens containing infectious materials and cultures, are regulated by U.S. and international transport agencies. Fines and penalties can be imposed against those who fail to comply with the applicable rules including proper classification and documentation of training, proper packaging, marking and labeling and proper shipping documentation. Updated for 2014, this intermediate-level online course, designed for individual study, is suitable for those seeking re-certification. Participants are provided with information useful for complying with regulations through use of instructional content and the opportunity to apply knowledge using realistic scenarios. This course should take approximately 2 hours to complete.  

**Objectives:**  
- Classify specimens as an exempt human or animal specimen or either category A or category B infectious substance.  
- Identify basic packaging concepts and processes for exempt human and animal specimens, category A and category B infectious substances and dry ice.  
- List the documents required to accompany packages containing category A and category B infectious substances.  
- Describe the documentation process for category A and category B infectious substances including specific differences dependent upon mode of transportation.

### RSS-101

**Receiving, Staging, and Storing (RSS) Training Video**

**LMS Course Completion Requirement:** "Message" TRAIN Certificate to Course Administrator  
**Continuing Education:** 0  
**Course ID 1017208**  
**Enroll in LMS Course #:** RSS-101

This 14 minute videoarchive provides an overview of receiving, staging, and storing (RSS) Strategic National Stockpile (SNS) assets in the event of a public health crisis. It is designed to provide information to organizations and personnel involved in Strategic National Stockpile RSS functions.
# National Disaster Recovery Framework (NDRF) Overview

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## Introduction to Incident Command System

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## National Incident Management System (NIMS) An Introduction

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## National Response Framework, An Introduction

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### Columbia Regional Learning Center Online Courses Available for Tracking in the LMS

All courses below are offered through CRLC

Click the course number to be connected to the LMS.

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Create a personal preparedness plan with the Preparedness Wizard
http://ncdp.columbia.edu/library/preparedness-tools/preparedness-wizard/

For information about the NCDP 5 Step Preparedness Model, click here:
http://ncdp.columbia.edu/library/preparedness-tools/the-ncdp-model-for-disaster-preparedness/

Emergency Preparedness Training Catalog Now Available

We are pleased to announce the release of the new Preparedness and Emergency Response Learning Center (PERLC) Training Catalog. This online resource gives public health professionals and their partners access to more than 400 trainings and other learning materials in one convenient location.

Find trainings by keyword searches or filtering by format, topic, or CDC Public Health Preparedness Capability. Explore the 21 curated training bundles on topics like vulnerable populations, environmental health, and mental health. The entire collection of materials works well for individuals who want to learn at their own pace or for trainers and facilitators developing in-person workshops. All resources are available at no cost.

Courses that were identified as being of particularly high quality with respect to interactivity, real-world applications, and multimedia were prioritized for inclusion in these bundles. Subject matter experts and pilot testers from public health agencies also provided input on materials for the bundles. All courses included in these bundles were developed or revised by the PERLCs between 2010 and 2015. For certain topic areas, finding additional, more recently developed training may be advisable. To access other training resources, visit the resources page.
Biosurveillance Toolkit:

The Biosurveillance Toolkit was created by the North Carolina Preparedness and Emergency Response Research Center (NCPERRC) at the North Carolina Institute for Public Health (NCIPH) with support from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). The Toolkit provides resources relevant to your work in improving biosurveillance.

The toolkit consists of Research, Online Training, Webinar Highlights and Resources.


Emerging Issue: Zika Virus Podcast

NCIPH and the UNC Gillings School of Global Public Health hosted a special Public Health Behind the Scenes podcast with public health law experts around the country working behind the scenes on the Zika virus outbreak.

Enroll in LMS: [NCIPH-Zika](#)

## NCIPH Basics of Public Health Preparedness Training

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