



**New Jersey  
Healthcare Coalitions**

## Current Events in Emergency Management and Healthcare



### **Happy EMS Week from the NJ Healthcare Coalitions!**

EMS Week is the time we honor the entire EMS profession and its importance in protecting the safety and health of our citizens. Our country's EMS professionals serve in a broad range of roles, from providing highly skilled care in an ambulance, to serving as educators, to practicing community paramedicine, to conducting research. These individuals are dedicated to improving emergency medical services on numerous levels and are helping to advance the vision of EMS Agenda 2050, that of a data-driven, evidence-based, people-centered EMS system.

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### **New Web-Based Courses on Pandemic Planning, Mass Care**

Columbia University's National Center for Disaster Preparedness (NCDP) has launched several new web-based courses

on pandemic preparedness and response and mass care community sheltering and relocation assistance. These trainings highlight best practices and lessons learned, with a specific focus on the needs of society's most vulnerable. They can assist the public health workforce, and other practitioners and community organizations, to prepare for and bounce back from catastrophic events.



[Click Here to Register for Courses](#)

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## **Navigating Hurricane Preparedness Season: Ensuring Healthcare Resilience**

As the seasons change and summer approaches, so does the looming threat of hurricanes in many coastal regions. For healthcare providers and organizations, this signals the beginning of intense preparation efforts to ensure the safety and well-being of patients, staff, and communities. Hurricane preparedness season is not just about bracing for the storm but also about ensuring resilience in healthcare systems to continue providing vital services even in the face of adversity. In this blog post, we'll delve into the importance of hurricane preparedness for healthcare, key steps for readiness, and the role of collaboration in ensuring a resilient response.



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## **What is Crisis and Emergency Risk Communications (CERC)?**

The Centers for Disease Control's (CDC) Crisis and Emergency Risk Communication (CERC) manual provides an evidence-based framework and best practices for anyone who communicates on behalf of an organization responding to a public health emergency.<sup>1</sup> CERC is built around psychological and communication sciences, studies in the field of issues management, and lessons learned from emergency responses. Emergencies can assault communities in an instant. Hurricanes, chemical releases, bombs, pandemic illness, and earthquakes are just some of the emergencies that we know could threaten any community at any time. Often, communicating information is the first and only resource available for responders to give affected communities at the onset of an emergency. Through effective communication, we can impact how our community responds to and recovers from these potentially devastating emergencies.

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### [Additional Readings and Resources](#)

[Weekly Influenza Surveillance Report \(NJDOH\)](#)

[Weekly COVID Report \(NJDOH\)](#)

[National Preparedness Report \(FEMA\)](#)

[Spring Weather Safety Presentation \(NWS\)](#)

## Webinars



Thursday, May 30th, 2024 2:00pm - 3:00pm

### **Vector Borne Disease Resources for the Emergency Physician**

Dr. Sandy Schneider and Dr. Carolyn Gould of the CDC will discuss the vector borne disease resources that are available to help emergency physicians care for their patients with VBD.

[Register Here](#)

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**CYBERSECURITY  
& INFRASTRUCTURE  
SECURITY AGENCY**



Wednesday, May 29th, 2024 2:00pm - 3:30pm

## **Active Shooter Guidance Webinar**

Please join the Region 2 National Preparedness Division in partnership with the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA) for a condensed webinar on steps you and your employees can take during an active shooter event.

Preparing employees for a potential active shooter incident is an integral component of an organization's incident response planning. Because active shooter incidents are unpredictable and evolve quickly, preparing for and knowing what to do in an active shooter situation can be the difference between life and death.

[Register Here](#)



Wednesday, June 5th, 2024 1:30pm - 2:30pm

## **Healthcare Facility Extreme Weather Resilience and Mitigation**

The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Administration for Strategic Preparedness and Response, and Office of the Assistant Secretary for Health, Office of Climate Change and Health Equity invite you to join this webinar on healthcare facility resilience and mitigation. Speakers from New York University Langone Health and Mass General Brigham—who have used resilient and sustainable building designs to ensure their facilities can effectively withstand unexpected and severe weather events—will share their experiences and OCCHE staff will highlight related efforts and priorities in building climate-resilient healthcare facilities.

[Register Here](#)

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## Additional Webinars and Training Resources

New Jersey Learning Management Network Upcoming Courses

FEMA Region 2 Preparedness Recorded Webinars

NJHCC Training Opportunities

## Additional Resources



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