



New Jersey Healthcare Coalitions Newsletter

Upcoming Dates

HCC Meeting with NJDOH Commissioner

**July 18th
1:00pm-2:30pm**

In lieu of July HCC Meetings, the NJ Healthcare Coalitions will be scheduling a virtual call with the NJDOH Commissioner.

Registration and agenda to follow in coming weeks.

Current Events in Emergency Management and Healthcare



NJ Cooling Centers and Statewide Homeless Hotline

During the summer months, NJ 211 staff is dedicated to updating their list of cooling centers. They will only include sites and messaging that they have received from official authorities such as state, county, or municipal offices of emergency management. As they receive this information, it is posted. If you are not seeing cooling centers open in your county in the list below, it is because they have not yet received the information. Learn how to stay safe in the summer heat.

NJ 211 serves as the state homeless hotline and seeks to assist those experiencing homelessness by connecting them with community resources that may help them with breaking the cycle of homelessness.

The local County Social Service Agency is the primary resource for individuals experiencing homelessness or those seeking emergency housing assistance. During business hours, individuals are directed to contact their local County Social Service Agency. They will be screened for programs and guided to the right community organizations.

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Hotspots: Reflecting on the Summer of 2023

Wildfires and extreme heat incidents in the U.S. have become more frequent over the past several years. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) explains that the increase in wildfire risk is due to earlier spring melt leading to less water availability during hot summer conditions. These fires start more easily and burn hotter. The EPA also examined heat wave characteristics in 50 metropolitan areas across the U.S. from 1961-2021 and found that the frequency of heatwaves has increased from two to six per year. Temperatures in the 1960s' heatwaves were 2.0 degrees above the local 85% percentile threshold; in the 2020s, they have increased to 2.3 degrees above the threshold.



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Psychological First Aid Online Course

Learn to provide psychological first aid to people in an emergency by employing the RAPID model: Reflective listening, Assessment of needs, Prioritization, Intervention, and Disposition. Utilizing the RAPID model (Reflective listening, Assessment of needs, Prioritization, Intervention,

and Disposition), this specialized course provides perspectives on injuries and trauma that are beyond those physical in nature. The RAPID model is readily applicable to public health settings, the workplace, the military, faith-based organizations, mass disaster venues, and even the demands of more commonplace critical events, e.g., dealing with the psychological aftermath of accidents, robberies, suicide, homicide, or community violence. In addition, the RAPID model has been found effective in promoting personal and community resilience.

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Additional Readings and Resources

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

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

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

Webinars



Thursday, June 20th, 2024

11:00am-12:00pm

Hurricane Tools for Emergency Managers

This webinar is intended to educate government emergency management to interpret tropical cyclone forecasts and alerts, and know what to do before, during, and after a storm. This session provides a brief overview of hurricane hazards, forecast products, and emergency management resources for hurricane planning

and response.

[Register Here](#)

Wednesday, July 17th, 2024

1:00pm-2:30pm

Pathway to Preparedness

The State of NJ, working in coordination with their Statewide Independent Living Council created this disaster preparedness training specifically to support the Disabilities, Access and Functional Needs (DAFN) Community. with funding received from the Regional Catastrophic Preparedness Grant Program. An abridged version of the training will be delivered followed by a 30-minute session with tips on how you can deliver this program in your community.

[Register Here](#)

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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