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Summary & Highlights

- **Training, Exercise, and Workgroup Opportunities**
 - NJHCC Response Plan: Special Pathogens Annex Workgroup
 - **When:** TBA
 - **Where:** Virtual via Microsoft Teams
 - [Workgroup Interest Form](#)
 - NJHCC/NJSP Training Request Form
 - **Summary:** The NJHCC EM Team is seeking to determine in-demand training opportunities for NJHCC members. Any confirmed trainings will be facilitated by NJSP Training Unit staff and associates. Please click the link below to access our training request survey.
 - **When:** N/A
 - **Where:** In-Person (Various Locations)
 - **Additional Notes:** Survey responses are not a guarantee of a training being facilitated, if enough interest is generated a formal group training request will be made to the NJSP Training Unit on behalf of NJHCC members.
 - New Jersey Emergency Management Association (NJEMA) Annual Symposium
 - **When:** 06.12.25/8:00 AM - 4:00 PM EST
 - **Where:** Monmouth University
 - **Cost:** \$70.00 (Regular Attendee) OR \$25.00 (Student Attendee)
 - [Open Registration](#)
- Partner Event/Resource Amplification Request Form

- Share your upcoming events and existing resources with NJHCC via this [form](#)
- **Upcoming NJHCC Events**
 - NJHCC May 2025 In-Person Meetings
 - When: 05.15 & 05.19 & 05.22
 - Where: Various locations, please see below
 - Registration:
 - [North HCC](#) (05/15/25) (**Tentative**)
 - [Central HCC](#) (05/19/25)
 - [South HCC](#) (05/22/25) (**Tentative**)
- **Emergency Management and Preparedness in the News**
 - Hospital Preparedness Program (HPP) Cuts Proposed
 - Jones Road Wildfire: How investigators tracked the cause of the fire
 - Acting FEMA Director Ousted
 - Hurricane Season 2025: What to Expect
 - Gaps exposed in California Prison System's Response Plans
- **Additional Resources and Reports**
 - Home & Hospice Care Preparedness Resource Collection
 - Updated NJHA Drug Shortage Report
 - Updated Weekly NJDOH Disease Surveillance Reports
 - Updated Weekly NJHCC NHSN Dashboard Report
 - NETEC Region 2 High Consequence Infectious Disease (HQID) Concept of Operations (CONOPS)
 - NETEC HQID TTX Templates

Upcoming Exercises and Training Opportunities

Workgroup Opportunity:

The NJHCC EM Team is currently seeking to gather volunteers and subject matter experts (SMEs) as we look to revise our Special Pathogens Annex (Formerly the NJHCC Infectious Disease Annex).

This annex is intended to support emergency preparedness and management efforts as it relates to a variety of high consequence infectious disease (HQIDs). Topics of discussion will include but are not limited to:

- Plan Concept of Operations (CONOPS)
 - HQID Specific Sections

- Integration of NETEC EMS CONOPS
- NJHCC EM Staff's role in supporting healthcare entities
 - Pandemic response planning

All healthcare coalition members and peers are welcome to join this workgroup as we seek to support all healthcare partners across the state of New Jersey.

**Special Pathogens Plan Workgroup
Registration**

Upcoming Exercises and Training Opportunities

Upcoming Exercises:

No scheduled exercises at this time.

Upcoming Training Opportunities:

- NJHCC May 2025 In-Person HCC Meetings
 - When: Various offerings
 - Where: Various locations
 - [Open Registrations](#)
- Run, Hide, Fight/Active Assailant Training
 - When: June 2025
 - More information forthcoming
 - Where: North and South HCC Regions
 - More information forthcoming
- New Jersey Emergency Management Association (NJEMA) Annual Symposium
 - **When:** 06.12.25/8:00 AM - 4:00 PM EST
 - **Where:** Monmouth University
 - **Cost:** \$70.00 (Regular Attendee) OR \$25.00 (Student Attendee)
 - [Open Registration](#)
- Redefining Aging - Part I
 - **When:** 05.20.25/8:30 AM EST
 - **Where:** NJHA Conference Center
 - [Agenda & Open Registration](#)

Partner Event & Resource Amplification Request Form

In an effort to amplify upcoming training opportunities, exercises, events, and resources the NJHCC EM Team is seeking to feature and publish partner facilitated/sponsored events. Please click the button below to

access our amplification request form.

Partner Event & Resource Amplification Request Form

NJHCC/NJSP Training Request Form

The NJHCC EM Team has established a greater working relationship with the New Jersey State Police (NJSP) Training Unit. We are seeking to better understand what kinds of training you and your teams are looking for, examples include but are not limited to: ICS 100, 200, 300, 400, HSEEP, etc.

If there is sufficient interest (10~ responses) in a specific training or several trainings, the NJHCC EM Team will work with the NJSP Training Unit to attempt to establish a regional training opportunity with a closed registration for NJHCC members.

Please note: A training request cannot always be approved due to logistical, staffing, timing, etc. challenges on the part of the facilitating agencies. With that in mind, we will make every effort to get the training request approved and on the facilitated.

NJHCC/NJSP Training Request Form

Additional Training Opportunities

The NJHCC EM Team regularly updates our Coalition Training Opportunities page on the Coalitions' website. Click the button below to be redirected to a collection of trainings from NJOEM, NJOHSP, FEMA, and other notable partners.

[Visit Our Coalition Training Opportunities Page Here](#)

[Featured Articles, Resources, and Reports:](#)

Featured Article:

Hospital Preparedness Program (HPP) Cuts Proposed

When the McBride wildfire erupted in New Mexico three years ago, David Merritt had a math problem.

The fire was closing in on a Lincoln County hospital with 11 admitted patients, but the ambulance drivers who would normally evacuate those patients were busy fighting the blaze. High winds ruled out air

evacuations. There were also only two ways out of the town of Ruidoso, and the way leading to the next-nearest hospital was in the evacuation zone.

Merritt, who is a federal health care preparedness coordinator, needed to not only find drivers — but ones who could move the patients an hour away. And he did, by calling in people and resources throughout the state. But the next time there's a fire, Merritt might not be there to help.

President Donald Trump has asked Congress to eliminate funding for the Department of Health and Human Services' Hospital Preparedness Program, which fully funds Merritt's salary.

[Read More](#)

Additional Articles:

- [Jones Road Wildfire Investigation \(Philadelphia Inquirer\)](#)
- [2025 Hurricane Season Predictions \(Daily Press\)](#)
- [Floods Exposed Weaknesses in California Prisons' Emergency Plans \(CalMatters\)](#)
- [Acting FEMA Chief Abruptly Ousted Ahead of U.S. Hurricane Season \(Reuters\)](#)

Featured Resource:



Home Care & Hospice Care Emergency Preparedness Topic Collection

Courtesy of the
Administration for Strategic Preparedness and Response (ASPR)

[Access the Home Care & Hospice Care Emergency Preparedness Topic Collection](#)

Additional Resources and Reports:

- [NJHA Drug Shortage Report \(05/08/25\)](#)
- [NJ Healthcare Coalitions - Weekly NHSN Dashboard \(05/07/25\)](#)
- [NJDOH CDS - Respiratory Illness Surveillance Report \(05/03/25\)](#)
- [NJ Forest Fire Service - Wildfire Risk Assessment Portal](#)
- [NJ Office of Homeland Security and Preparedness 2025 Threat Assessment](#)
- [NETEC - HCID Exercise Templates and Resources](#)
- [NETEC - Region 2 HCID Concept of Operations](#)
- [CAHF - Nursing Home Incident Command System \(NHICS\)](#)

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