



NEW JERSEY HEALTHCARE COALITIONS

Biweekly News & Updates

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Bi-Weekly Membership Poll

What county/counties would you like to see your January 2026 in-person meetings take place in?

Reminder: If another HCC region's meeting is closer to your office or if a meeting date is more open for your schedule, you're more than welcome to attend another region's meeting regardless of your assigned HCC region.

North Healthcare Coalition

Please let us know by clicking a button or buttons below:

Bergen

Essex

Hudson

Morris

Passaic

Sussex

Warren

Central Healthcare Coalition

Please let us know by clicking a button or buttons below:

Hunterdon

Mercer

Middlesex

Monmouth

Ocean

Somerset

Union

South Healthcare Coalition

Please let us know by clicking a button or buttons below:

Atlantic

Burlington

Camden

Cape May

Cumberland

Upcoming Events, Assessments, Exercises and Training Opportunities

Recent Assessments, Upcoming Working Groups, and Future Meetings:

2026 FIFA World Cup Medical and Public Health Workgroup Meetings

Starting in December 2025 and continuing through June 2026, the New Jersey Department of Health (NJDOH) and New York City Emergency Management (NYCEM) will kick off a series of formal planning meetings for the 2026 FIFA World Cup games.



All NJHCC members are welcome to attend and provide their expertise and opinion. This is a great opportunity to not only collaborate with a variety of healthcare stakeholders across the state, but also an excellent opportunity to share lessons learned from the 2025 FIFA Club World Cup games, amongst other major events.

You can learn more about these upcoming meetings, how to join them, and more by clicking [here](#).

Regional Response Plan & Specialty Annex Workgroup Sign Up

Annually, and following activations & exercises, the NJHCC EM Team reviews existing plans and annexes based on member feedback, observed need following an event or exercise, and pursuant to the Hospital Preparedness Program's (HPP's) grant requirements.

Presently, there are eleven (11) plans that are in the process of or will be undergoing review from the NJHCC Leadership Team, Members, and the EM Team.

These plans include:

- Coalition Regional Response Plan
 - Burn Patient Surge Annex
 - Chemical Surge Response Annex
 - With an associated decontamination chapter
 - Pediatric Surge Response Annex
 - Radiological Surge Response Annex
 - With an associated decontamination chapter
 - Special Pathogens Response Annex
 - Formerly the *Infectious Disease Annex*
- Cybersecurity Support & Response Plan
- Extended Downtime Support & Response Plan
- Resource Management Plan
- Information Sharing Plan
- Base Medical & Trauma Surge Support Plan

As a reminder, these plans will **NOT** supersede, replace, or override NJDOH, NJOEM, or any other state or private entity's emergency response plan. Rather, these Coalition-developed plans are meant to align with and complement these plans as it relates to disasters that exceed the local to county level span of control, necessitating regional coordination, support, and response.

[Access Our Workgroup Sign Up Form Here](#)

Save the Dates!

January 2026 HCC In-Person Meetings

Our team is always looking for new ways to engage members and share experiences, knowledge, and in general leverage our member's expertise in the name of better preparing New Jersey. Based on your feedback, our

January 2026 in-person meetings will heavily focus on Coalition plan development, fit testing, and in general ensuring that these plans are a benefit to you and your partners during a regional response.

January's Primary Focus: Information Sharing Plan

We will be releasing a full agenda with the associated plan assignments in the near future, we encourage all members to bring forth their ideas, experiences, and subject matter expertise as we seek to prepare New Jersey against all forms of hazards.

North HCC In-Person
Meeting January
2026

Central HCC In-
Person Meeting
January 2026

South HCC In-Person
Meeting January
2026

Upcoming Training Opportunities:



NJ Disaster Response Crisis Counselor (DRCC) Initial Training Series

- When: Various Dates in December 2025
 - Where: Virtual
 - Cost: No-Cost
 - [Additional Information & Registration](#)
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PER-211: Medical Management of CBRNE Event

- When: 12.08.2025 - 12.09.2025
- Where: Hillsborough, New Jersey 08844
- Cost: No-Cost
- [Additional Information](#) & [Registration](#)

PER-343: Social Media Engagement Strategies

- When: 12.09.2025 - 12.10.2025 - 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM
 - Where: Virtual
 - Cost: No-Cost
 - [Additional Information](#) & [Registration](#) (WAITLIST)
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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](#)

Featured Articles, Resources, and Reports:

NJDOH Alerts Parents and Caregivers of Ongoing Investigation of Infant Botulism

(NJDOH)

The New Jersey Department of Health alerts parents and caregivers of an ongoing investigation related to a multistate outbreak of infant botulism illnesses linked to recalled infant formula sold as ByHeart Whole Nutrition Infant Formula. To date, the illnesses have been reported in 12 states, with one case hospitalized in New Jersey.

"While infant botulism remains rare, it is a serious illness that requires immediate medical attention. We urge parents and caregivers to check their infant formula and stop using any product from the affected lots," said New Jersey Acting Health Commissioner Jeff Brown. "Quick recognition of symptoms and prompt treatment are key. Our priority is ensuring every infant's safety as we work with our federal and state partners to investigate this outbreak and prevent future cases."

All 15 cases included in this outbreak are reported to have consumed ByHeart Whole Nutrition Infant Formula. The recalled infant formula is sold online and at major retailers nationwide and accounts for an estimated less than 1% of all infant formula sold in the United States, according to the [Food and Drug Administration](#) (FDA).

[Read the Full Alert Here](#)

Emergency Management in the News:

- [Governor Murphy Signs Executive Order to Bolster State's Threat and Emergency Response \(NJ.Gov\)](#)
- [New Jersey Man may be 1st Known Death from Red Meat Allergy](#)

[Linked to Tick Bites \(ABC News\)](#)

- [Level 2 Special Pathogen Treatment and Network Development \(STAND\) Award Opportunity \(NETEC\)](#)
 - [Trump Task Force Expected to Propose Changes to FEMA but Doesn't Recommend Eliminating It \(The Hill\)](#)
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Relevant Resources:

- [NJHA Drug Shortage Report \(11.14.25\)](#)
 - [NJ Healthcare Coalitions - Weekly NHSN Dashboard \(11.15.25\)](#)
 - [NJDOH - Respiratory Illness Surveillance Report \(11.15.25\)](#)
 - [NJOEM - GIS Hub](#)
 - [EMMIT Homepage](#)
 - [EMMIT Training Page](#)
 - [Weather Dashboard](#)
 - [Flood, Radar, Stream Gauges](#)
 - [Preliminary Damage Assessment Site](#)
 - [NJOHSP - 2025 Threat Assessment](#)
 - [NETEC - HCID Exercise Templates and Resources](#)
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