

# Aware Prepare Update



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**Welcome** to the **Mid-Month November 2022** issue of the Aware Prepare (AP) Update. The AP is your bi-monthly guide to upcoming trainings related to preparedness, readiness, and response. 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 on the [www.NYlearnsPH.com](http://www.NYlearnsPH.com) Learning Management System. Questions or submissions, email: [edlearn@health.ny.gov](mailto:edlearn@health.ny.gov)

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## **Resources and Opportunities:**

Visit the New York State Department of Health's (NYSDOH) dedicated Webpages:

- COVID-19 Resources Webpage: <http://coronavirus.health.ny.gov>
- Monkeypox Resources Webpage: [health.ny.gov/monkeypox](http://health.ny.gov/monkeypox)
- Polio and immunization Webpage: [health.ny.gov/polio](http://health.ny.gov/polio)

**Feeling stressed by the COVID-19 epidemic?** You are not alone. Call the NYS Emotional Support Helpline 7 days a week, 8am-10pm at 1-844-863-9314.

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## **GOVERNOR HOCHUL ANNOUNCEMENTS: COVID-19 & Flu**

**November 14th: Governor Kathy Hochul today updated New Yorkers on the state's progress combating COVID-19.**

"This November, I urge New Yorkers to remain vigilant and to use all available tools to keep themselves, their loved ones and their communities safe and healthy," Governor Hochul said. "Stay up to date on vaccine doses, and test before gatherings or travel. If you test positive, talk to your doctor about potential treatment options."

Earlier this month, Governor Hochul launched a [public awareness campaign](#) featuring New York State Health Commissioner Dr. Mary T. Bassett speaking directly to New Yorkers about three viruses - Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV), flu and COVID-19 - now circulating in the state with similar symptoms and the potential to cause serious illness. Produced by the New

York State Department of Health, the videos include a [short clip](#) and a [longer version](#) geared toward parents; and a version aimed specifically at [health care providers](#).

Governor Hochul continues to remind New Yorkers that children ages 5 and older may now receive the [bivalent booster shots](#) that are recommended to increase protection against COVID-19.

The Governor also urges New Yorkers to get their bivalent COVID-19 vaccine boosters. To schedule an appointment for a booster, New Yorkers should contact their local pharmacy, county health department, or healthcare provider; visit [vaccines.gov](#); text their ZIP code to 438829, or call [1-800-232-0233](#) to find nearby locations.

In addition, Governor Hochul encourages New Yorkers to get their annual flu vaccine as [flu season is widespread](#) across New York State. The flu virus and the virus that causes COVID-19 are both circulating, so getting vaccinated against both is the best way to stay healthy and to avoid added stress to the health care system.

The State Department of Health is continuing its [annual public education campaign](#), reminding adults and parents to get both flu and COVID-19 shots for themselves and children 6 months and older. Advertisements in both English and Spanish language began running last month.

For information about flu vaccine clinics, [contact the local health department](#) or visit [vaccines.gov/find-vaccines/](#).

New Yorkers looking to schedule vaccine appointments for 5-11-year-old children are encouraged to contact their child's pediatrician, family physician, county health departments, Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHCs), rural health centers, or pharmacies that may be administering the vaccine for this age group. Parents and guardians can visit [vaccines.gov](#), text their ZIP code to 438829, or call 1-800-232-0233 to find nearby locations. Make sure that the provider offers the Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine, as the other COVID-19 vaccines are not yet authorized for this age group.

Visit our [website](#) for parents and guardians for new information, frequently asked questions and answers, and resources specifically designed for parents and guardians of this age group.

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The [COVID-19 Vaccine Tracker Dashboard](#) is available to update New Yorkers on the distribution of the COVID-19 vaccine. The New York State Department of Health requires vaccinating facilities to report all COVID-19 vaccine administration data within 24 hours; the vaccine administration data on the dashboard is updated daily to reflect the most up-to-date metrics in the state's vaccination effort. New York State Department of Health-reported data from NYSIIS and CIR differs slightly from federally reported data, which is inclusive of federally administered doses and other minor differences. Both numbers are included in the release above.

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### Other Preparedness Resources:

#### CDC Health Alert Network -- [2022 HAN Messages | Health Alert Network \(HAN\)](#)

- [November 7, 2022](#)  
[Update on Ebola Virus Disease \(Sudan ebolavirus\) Outbreak in Central Uganda](#)
  - [November 4, 2022](#)  
[Increased Respiratory Virus Activity, Especially Among Children, Early in the 2022-2023 Fall and Winter](#)
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### SHARE FREE CDC Sepsis Materials to Help Save a Life

Sepsis is the body's extreme response to an infection that affects about **1.7 million** adults in America each year. At least **350,000** adults who develop sepsis die during their hospitalization or are discharged to hospice. Each September, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) comes together with partners to help raise awareness about this life-threatening medical emergency.

Throughout the month, CDC's [Get Ahead of Sepsis](#) educational effort shared the following life-saving information. In case you missed it, CDC:

- Launched **new and updated sepsis materials** for patients, their loved ones, and healthcare professionals **to download and share**, including an [updated patient and family brochure](#) and **new fact sheets for long-term care (LTC) [nurses](#) and [certified nurse assistants](#)**.
- These materials are **NOW AVAILABLE for hardcopy ordering through [CDC-INFO On Demand](#)**: Select "Sepsis" from the "Programs" drop-down menu, then click the "Search" button.
- Published a [Safe Healthcare Blog post highlighting sepsis in LTC facilities](#) authored by CDC LTC expert, Heather Jones, DNP, NP-C.
- Provided [updated sepsis social media graphics](#) to educate friends and loved ones about sepsis.

Although Sepsis Awareness Month is ending, it is vital to continue sharing information about sepsis throughout the year. By educating yourself and your patients about the risks, being able to spot the signs and symptoms, and acting fast, you can help stop an infection from developing into sepsis and save a life.

To learn more about sepsis and how to prevent infections, visit [www.cdc.gov/sepsis](http://www.cdc.gov/sepsis).

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## Association of State and Territorial Health Officials (ASTHO)

- [State and Territorial Health Policies Strengthening Emergency Preparedness Efforts](#)
- [Men and Firearms: Proven Public Health Interventions to Curb Violence \(Blog\)](#)
- [Closing the Gaps in Emergency Preparedness Inclusivity – Partnering with the Autism Community on Inclusive Emergency Preparedness \(Video\)](#)

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## National Fire Academy (NFA)

Check our catalog at [usfa.fema.gov/nfa/](http://usfa.fema.gov/nfa/) for on-campus training opportunities available from April to September 2023. Apply Oct. 15 to Dec. 15, 2022.

Courses with **immediate** vacancies:

- [R0258](#) – Management of Safety in Response to Hazardous Materials/WMD Incidents – Nov. 28-Dec. 8.
- [R0645](#) – Leadership in Supervision – Dec. 11-16.
- [R0790](#) - Fire Investigation: Case Preparation and Testimony. Dec. 11-16.
- [R0378](#) - Demonstrating Your Community Risk Reduction Program's Worth.
- [R0673](#) - Service Area Risk Reduction.

[Click here](#) for a list of **ALL** resident courses with vacancies **Oct. 2022 through Mar. 2023**

### How to Apply:

- [NETC Online Admissions Application website](#)
- Contact our Admissions Office, Monday – Friday between 7 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. ET, at 800-238-3358, ext. 1035 or by email at [netcadmissions@fema.dhs.gov](mailto:netcadmissions@fema.dhs.gov)

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### **Once a Presidential Disaster Declaration is Declared, What Happens Next?**

On September 28, 2022, Hurricane Ian made landfall in southwestern Florida as a dangerous, Category 4 storm. This hurricane brought tornadoes, winds, and substantial flooding, and was the deadliest hurricane to strike Florida since 1935. Before Hurricane Ian, Hurricane Fiona impacted portions of the Caribbean on September 16 with extreme flooding, including Puerto Rico, then continued its path northward through the United States into eastern Canada. Both hurricanes and other severe weather events caused infrastructure and housing to become

damaged or destroyed. For both hurricanes, a Presidential Disaster Declaration was approved, which activates many forms of assistance for the survivors and recovery efforts. Assistance can be broken down into three main categories:

- [Individual Assistance](#) - Individual assistance is a wide-ranging category of aid or relief provided at the individual or household level for various damages and expenses not covered by insurance.
- [Public Assistance](#) - FEMA provides public assistance through supplemental grants to entities such as state and local governments, Native American tribes, and Alaskan Native Villages, as well as non-profit organizations that provide critical services such as electricity/power production, water, or medical care. This category of assistance is especially common in the wake of a disaster for debris removal, assistance to repair roads, bridges, water control facilities, public buildings, utilities, parks, and other emergency protective measures.
- [Hazard Mitigation Assistance](#) - This last category of standardized assistance is unique in that it applies to longer-term recovery and mitigation efforts, providing funding for eligible mitigation efforts that reduce future disaster losses, including long-term solutions that reduce the risk and impact to both people and property.

Understanding how to navigate disaster recovery after an event can be overwhelming. NCDP has developed a series of *free*, web-based housing disaster recovery trainings to help guide you through this process.

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### **Attend Upcoming Virtual and Instructor-led Training Live Virtual Learning (November - January)**

**November 16, 2022 - Rhode Island, FEMA Region 1**

[PER-385: Improving Business' Financial Literacy and Management to Support Post-Disaster Economic Recovery](#)

**November 28, 2022 - CNMI, FEMA Region 9**

[MGT 471: Executing Strategies to Rapidly Rehabilitate Damaged Housing](#)

**November 29 and 30, 2022 -Canoga Park, CA, FEMA Region 9**

[PER-385: Improving Business' Financial Literacy and Management to Support Post-Disaster Economic Recovery](#)

**December 6, 2022 - Baltimore, MD, Region 3**

[MGT-470: Establishing Collaborative Case Management Services](#)

**December 6, 2022 -Canoga Park, CA, FEMA Region 9 (Español Delivery)**

[PER-385: PER 385-CA ESP: Mejorando la Alfabetización y Gestión Financieras de Empresas para Apoyar la Recuperación Económica Post-Desastres](#)

**December 8, 2022 - Lehigh County, PA, FEMA Region 3**

[MGT-470: Establishing Collaborative Case Management Services](#)

**December 14, 2022 - Lehigh County, PA, FEMA Region 3**

[PER-387: Improving Individual and Households' Financial Literacy and Management to Support Post-Disaster Economic Recovery](#)

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## FEMA offering assistance through the National Exercise Program (NEP)

State, local, tribal and territorial jurisdictions can request no-cost assistance from the NEP for exercise design, development, conduct and evaluation to validate capabilities across all mission areas. [Learn about exercise assistance on FEMA.gov.](#)

Round	Submission Deadline	Decisions Sent By
Fall 2022 Round	November 1, 2022	December 9, 2022
Spring 2023 Round	April 3, 2023	May 5, 2023

- [A Look Inside the 2022 National CERT Conference \(fema.gov\)](#)
- [New CERT Course Aims to Strengthen Communities \(fema.gov\)](#)
- [Youth Preparedness Council Members Share Their Accomplishments \(fema.gov\)](#)
- [Prepare for Flood After Fire with Flood Insurance \(fema.gov\)](#)
- [Stay Alert for Weather-Related Scams \(fema.gov\)](#)

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**New and Upcoming Live Events** Note: \*Some items are marked with **NEW!** generally indicating that the promotion is new to this edition of the Aware Prepare Update.\*

### **PER-385: Improving Business' Financial Literacy and Management to Support Post-Disaster Economic Recovery**

Sponsored by National Center for Disaster Preparedness  
November 16, 2022 - Rhode Island, FEMA Region 1

[Register Here](#)

### **Hazmat for First Receiver Operations Level Training**

Sponsored by WRHTC  
November 16, 2022, 8:30am – 4:30pm  
Steuben County  
St. James Hospital – Board Room  
7329 Seneca Road North, Hornell, NY  
closes 11/9/22

Enroll in LMS Course: [OHEP-WRHTC-HazFROps-BP4](#)

### **NEW! Winter/Holiday Fire Safety**

Sponsored by FEMA Region 2  
November 16, 2022, 12:00pm - 1:00pm

[Register Here](#)

### **NEW! Cybersecurity Zero Trust – Why visibility is the key**

Sponsored by Becker's Healthcare  
November 16, 2022, 1:00pm - 2:00pm

[Register Here](#)

**NEW!** How using clinical asset management and cybersecurity can improve capital planning

Sponsored by Becker's Healthcare  
November 17, 2022, 11:00am - 12:00pm

[Register Here](#)

**NEW!** CDC COCA CALL: New 2022 CDC Clinical Practice Guidelines for Prescribing Opioids for Pain

Sponsored by Centers for Disease Control & Prevention  
November 17, 2022, 2-3pm

[Register Here](#)

**NEW!** Preventing and Responding to Aggressive Patient Behavior Webinar Series: Developing a workplace violence preparedness plan

Sponsored by HANYS  
November 17, 2022, 2-3pm

[Register Here](#)

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Sponsored by HANYS  
November 17, 2022, 2:00pm - 3:00pm

[Register Here](#)

**NEW!** The High Human Stakes of Ongoing Support for the Community Health Workforce

Sponsored by the CommuniHealth Coalition  
November 17, 2022, 2:00pm - 3:30pm

[Register Here](#)

**NEW!** Winter Weather Hazards: Science and Preparedness (AWR-331)

Sponsored by NDPTC  
November 17, 2022, 2:00pm - 6:00pm

[Register Here](#)

**NEW!** CDC Announces Monkeypox Supplemental Funding to be Awarded through the Crisis Response Cooperative Agreement

Sponsored by The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)  
November 17, 2022, 4-5pm

Please click the link below to join the webinar:

<https://cdc.zoomgov.com/j/1614791320?pwd=SzlKZFRTWjUrNmZZcmNFVVduK2dyUT09>

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### **Utilizing University Partnerships in Hazard Mitigation Planning Webinar**

Sponsored by FEMA Region 2

November 23, 2022, 11 a.m. - 12 p.m. ET

[Register Here](#)

### **NEW! Newcomer Health Webinar Series: Afghan Health Considerations**

Sponsored by ECHO CO

November 29, 2022, 9:00am - 10:00am

[Register Here](#)

### **NEW! 2022 CDC Clinical Practice Guideline for Prescribing Opioids for Pain**

Produced by the Alabama Department of Public Health Sponsored by the Region IV Public Health Training Center

November 29, 2022, 12-1pm

[Register Here](#)

### **NEW! National Healthcare Coalition Preparedness Conference - RIPPLE EFFECT: Leveraging Local Successes for National Impact.**

Sponsored by NHCPC, ASPR, HHS

November 29 - December 1, 2022

Anaheim, CA

[Register Here](#)

## **December**

### **NEW! Climate Adaptation Planning for Emergency Management (AWR-347)**

Sponsored by NDPTC

December 1-2, 2022, 12:00pm - 4:00pm

[Register Here](#)

### **NEW! Perception vs. Reality: Insights on Healthcare Provider Cybersecurity**

Sponsored by Becker's Healthcare

December 1, 2022, 12:00pm - 1:00pm

[Register Here](#)

### **Trauma Nursing Core Course (TNCC)**

Sponsored by ENA

Arnot Ogden Hospital, Elmira, NY



December 3-4, 2022, 7:30am - 4:30pm

[Register Here](#)

### **Advanced Burn Life Support (ABLS) Course**

Sponsored by Finger Lakes Regional Training Center

December 5, 2022

Strong Memorial Hospital, Rochester, NY. The Finger Lakes Regional Training Center offers 3 scholarships per hospital to all Western NY folks who have successfully completed the course. ONLY the following counties are eligible for scholarships: Allegany, Cattaraugus, Chautauqua, Chemung, Erie, Genesee, Livingston, Monroe, Niagara, Ontario, Schuyler, Seneca, Steuben, Wayne, Wyoming & Yates.

[Register Here](#)

### **Radiation Instruments Operations (PER-345)**

Sponsored by DHSES

Buffalo Fire Dept.

December 5, 2022, 8:00am - 12:00pm

[Register Here](#)

### **Radiation Instruments Employment (PER-355)**

Sponsored by DHSES

Buffalo Fire Dept.

December 5, 2022, 1:00pm - 5:00pm

[Register Here](#)

### **Intermediate ICS for Expanding Incidents (I-300)**

Sponsored by DHSES

December 5-10, 2022

Chautauqua Co. OEM, Mayville, NY

[Register Here](#)

### **Intermediate ICS for Expanding Incidents (I-300)**

Sponsored by DHSES

December 6-8, 2022, 8:00am - 5:00pm

Monroe County Public Safety Bldg., Rochester, NY

[Register Here](#)

### **Radiation Instruments Operations (PER-345)**

Sponsored by DHSES

Buffalo Fire Dept.

December 6, 2022, 8:00am - 12:00pm

[Register Here](#)

### **Climate Adaptation Planning for Emergency Management (AWR-347)**

Sponsored by DHSES

December 6-7, 2022, 1:00pm - 5:00pm

[Register Here](#)

**K0428 CERT Train-the-Trainer Course Virtual**

Sponsored by FEMA Region 2  
December 6, 7, 8, 13, 14, 15, 2022, 1 - 5 p.m.

[Register Here](#)

**Hospital First Receivers: Detecting Radioactive Contamination (PER-370)**

Sponsored by NYS Division of Homeland Security & Emergency Services Office of Emergency Management

December 7, 2022, 8am-5pm  
Genesee County Office of Emergency Management; Large Classroom; 7690 State Street Road, Batavia, NY 14020

[Register Here](#) The registration link will bring you directly to the detailed information for the course. To enroll into the course, you will need to be signed in to the DHSES Learning Management System (LMS). If you do not have an account in the DHSES LMS please fill out the [New User Account Access Request Webform](#)

**The Future of Emergency Management**

Sponsored by FEMA Region 2  
December 7, 2022, 12:00pm - 1:30pm

[Register Here](#)

**Radiation Instruments Employment (PER-355)**

Sponsored by NYS Division of Homeland Security & Emergency Services  
Buffalo Fire Dept.  
December 7, 2022, 1:00pm - 5:00pm

[Register Here](#)

**Radiation Instruments Operations (PER-345)**

Sponsored by NYS Division of Homeland Security & Emergency Services  
Buffalo Fire Dept.  
December 8, 2022, 8:00am - 12:00pm

[Register Here](#)

**Medical Response and Surge Exercise (MRSE)**

Sponsored by OHEP  
December 7, 2022, 1:00PM - 2:00PM

[Register Here](#)

**Radiation Instruments Employment (PER-355)**

Sponsored by NYS Division of Homeland Security & Emergency Services  
Buffalo Fire Dept.  
December 8, 2022, 1:00pm - 5:00pm

[Register Here](#)

**Preventing and Responding to Aggressive Patient Behavior Webinar Series: Deploying an Emergency Emotional Support Team to Foster Staff Well-being**

Sponsored by HANYS

December 8, 2022, 2:00pm - 3:00pm

[Register Here](#)

**Leadership in Supervision (R0645)**

Sponsored by The National Fire Academy

December 11-16, 2022

This 6-day course combines the 3 courses in the Leadership in Supervision series: *Creating Environments for Professional Growth*, *Perspectives in Thinking* and *Frameworks to Success*.

[Register Here](#)

**Hazardous Materials First Responder Operations Annual Refresher**

Sponsored by NYS Division of Homeland Security & Emergency Services

December 12, 2022, 4 Hours

Yates County Potter Fire Department

[Register Here](#)

**E0131: Exercise Evaluation and Improvement Planning**

Sponsored by FEMA/EMI

EMI - Emmitsburg, MD

December 12-14, 2022

[Register Here](#)

**Evacuation of Facilities in Disaster Systems (eFinds) TtT**

Sponsored by NYSDOH OHEP

December 13, 2022

The course will be held at Cuba Memorial Hospital, 140 West Main Street, Cuba, NY 14727. There is also an option to attend virtually. Seats are limited, so please register soon.

[Register Here](#)

**Climate Adaptation Planning for Emergency Management (AWR-347)**

Sponsored by NDPTC

December 13-14, 2022, 12:00pm - 4:00pm

[Register Here](#)

**Hazmat for First Receiver Operations Level Training**

Sponsored by WRHTC

December 14, 2022, 8:30am – 4:30pm

Ontario County, Thompson Health – TCC A&B

350 Parrish Street, Canandaigua NY

Enroll in LMS Course: [OHEP-WRHTC-HazFROps-BP4](#)

**Additional Training of Interest**

**NEW! COCA Call: 2022-2023 Seasonal Influenza Testing and Treatment During the COVID-19 Pandemic**

Sponsored by The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)

Recorded November 15, 2022

[View Here](#)

**NEW! Guidance to Complete ServNY Notification Drill**

Sponsored by NYSDOH OHEP

2022-2023 Public Health Emergency Preparedness Program Deliverable BPR-4

Enroll in LMS Course: [OHEP-BP4-BPR4](#)

**CDC COCA Call: Melioidosis in the United States: What Clinicians Need to Know Following Newly Discovered Endemicity**

Sponsored by Centers for Disease Control & Prevention

Recorded Thursday, October 13, 2022

[View Here](#)

**CDC COCA Call: Update on 2022 Ebola Outbreak in Uganda**

Sponsored by Centers for Disease Control & Prevention

Recorded Wednesday, October 12, 2022

[View Here](#)

**CDC COCA Call: Situational Update for Clinicians about Severe Monkeypox Virus Infections**

Sponsored by Centers for Disease Control & Prevention

Recorded Thursday, October 6, 2022

[View Here](#)

**COPEWELL Town Hall**

Sponsored by the Johns Hopkins Center for Health Security, the Texas State University Center of Excellence for Community Health and Economic Resilience Research (CHERR), and the Texas Rural Health Alliance

Recorded October 11 & 13, 2022

[View Here](#)

**NEW! Partnering with the Autism Community on Inclusive Emergency Preparedness**

Sponsored by Association of State and Territorial Health Officials (ASTHO)

Recorded September 20, 2022

[View Here](#)

**The Mystery and Epidemiology of Long COVID**

Sponsored by The University of Alabama at Birmingham

Recorded September 29, 2022

[View Here](#)

**Practical Law for Public Health Officials**

Sponsored by Northwest Center for Public Health Practice

[View Here](#)

**Introduction to Public Health Practice training plan**

Sponsored by CDC