

Aware Prepare Update



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Welcome to the **February 2026** issue of the Aware Prepare (AP) Update. The AP is your monthly guide to upcoming trainings and select resources related to preparedness, readiness, and response. Training is available in a variety of formats, including live webcasts, webinars and in-person training as well as on-demand and self-directed *eLearning* available through the NYS Department of Health's (NYSDOH's) Learning Management System (LMS; www.NYlearnsPH.com). Check back each month to find new events and previously live content available on demand.

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ICYMI: Select NYS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH PRESS RELEASES

January 27, 2026

- [Governor Hochul Launches Student Loan Repayment Program to Expand Health Care Access for Medicaid Members](#)

January 26, 2026

- [Governor Hochul Announces Construction Underway for New \\$1.7 Billion Public Health Laboratory](#)

January 26, 2026

- [Bolstering Biotechnology in New York State: Governor Hochul Announces Nearly \\$3 Million Renovation for State University of New York Upstate Medical Center's CNY Biotech Accelerator in Syracuse](#)

January 23, 2026

- [Statement from State Health Commissioner Dr. James McDonald on Impact to New York State Regarding Exit from World Health Organization](#)

January 22, 2026

- [Governor Hochul Announces \\$288 Million to Make Local Water Infrastructure Projects Affordable Across New York State](#)

January 16, 2026

- [Statement From State Health Commissioner Dr. James McDonald on Martin Luther King Jr. Day](#)

January 12, 2026

- [DEC Reminds New Yorkers to Stay Alert for Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza](#)
- [Northeast Public Health Collaborative Recommends American Academy of Pediatrics Vaccine Schedule](#)

January 9, 2026

- [New York State Department of Health Urges New Yorkers To Get Vaccinated As Flu Cases Remain High](#)

For a full listing of all NYSDOH Press Releases from 2026, visit: health.ny.gov/press/releases/2026/. Visit <https://www.governor.ny.gov/news> for a full list of press releases and statements from Governor Hochul.

NYS TRAINING SPOTLIGHT:

NEW! Login2-Learn: Maternal Mental Health & Implications on Policy

Sponsored by Region 2 Public Health Training Center

Tuesday, February 3, 2026, 12-1pm

[Register Here](#) | Enroll in LMS to be notified: [Reg2PHTC-L2L202602](#)

Coming Soon: January 2026 Log-in2Learn: Data Visualization Techniques

Sponsored by Region 2 Public Health Training Center

Tuesday, January 13, 2026, 12-1pm

Enroll in LMS to be notified when On Demand: [Reg2PHTC-L2L202601](#)

NEW! OnDemand November 2025 Log-in2Learn: Shaping Diet, Shaping Health: Impact of Nutrition and Policy on U.S. Health Outcomes

Sponsored by Region 2 Public Health Training Center

Recorded November 18, 2025

Enroll in LMS: [Reg2PHTC-L2L202511](#)

OnDemand Public Health Live! Artificial Intelligence Adoption in Public Health: Opportunities and Challenges

Sponsored by UAlbany College of Integrated Health Sciences Center for Public Health Continuing Education (CPHCE)

Recorded November 19, 2025

Enroll in LMS Course: [UACIHS-PHL202511](#)

NEW! OnDemand October 2025 Log-in2Learn: The Intersection of Health, Privacy & Technology

Sponsored by Region 2 Public Health Training Center

Recorded October 7, 2025

Enroll in LMS: [Reg2PHTC-L2L202510](#)

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.

January 2026

Fostering a Culture of Continuous Quality Improvement

Sponsored by MARPHTC PITT

Thursday, January 29, 2025, 12:00pm-1:30pm

[Register Here](#)

A Healthy Union: How States and Regions Can Lead on Environmental Health and Climate Change

Sponsored by the Network for Public Health Law

Thursday, January 29th, 1:00 p.m. (ET) - webinar

[Register Here](#)

Demystifying Research

Sponsored by NYS Vital Signs EMS Academy

Friday, January 30, 2026, 6:30pm-7:30pm

[Register Here](#)

Hospital Incident Command System (HICS)

Sponsored by HTC

Friday, January 30, 2026, 9:30am – 12:00pm

[Register Here](#)

February 2026

NEW! Fire Inspection Principles 2: Inspection of Structures and Systems

Sponsored by National Fire Academy

Sunday, February 1, 2026- Thursday, February 5, 2026

[Register Here](#)

Pediatric Pain Management Strategies - BLS and ALS

Sponsored by NYS Vital Signs Academy

Monday, February 2, 2026

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Fire Investigation: First Responders

Sponsored by National Fire Academy

Monday, February 2, 2026-Tuesday, February 3, 2026

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Oh, My Eye!

Sponsored by NYS Vital Signs Academy

Tuesday, February 3, 2026, 10:00am-10:39am

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Login2-Learn: Maternal Mental Health & Implications on Policy

Sponsored by Region 2 Public Health Training Center

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Coalitions: Community Members joining Forces for Public Health

Sponsored by MARPHTC PITT

Tuesday, February 3, 2026, 1:00pm-2:00pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Coordinating Care in Crisis: Addressing Administrative and Logistic Demands

Sponsored by OHEP

Wednesday, February 4, 2026, 9-10:30am

Enroll in LMS Course: [OHEP-550b](#)

Artificial Intelligence: Considerations for Public Health Practice

Sponsored by MARPHTC PITT

Wednesday, February 4, 2026, 12:00pm-1:00pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Zoonoses & One Health Update (ZOHU Call)

Sponsored by CDC

Wednesday, February 4, 2026, 2:00pm-3:00pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Winter Storm Cupid: Valentines Day Snowstorm Response in Oswego County

Sponsored by CNY HTC

Thursday, February 5, 2026, 10am-11:30am

Enroll in LMS Course: [OHEP-HTC-BP2-S8-02052026-CNY](#)

NEW! Our Disinformation Diet – Can We Improve its Health?

Sponsored by NYSPHA

Thursday, February 5, 2026, 12:00pm-1:00pm

[Register Here](#)

EMS Education

Sponsored by NYS Vital Signs Academy

Thursday, February 5, 2026, 6:30pm-7:30pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Safety Program Operations

Sponsored by National Fire Academy

Sunday, February 8, 2026-Saturday February 13, 2026

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Command and Control Decision-Making at Multiple Alarm Incidents

Sponsored by National Fire Academy

Sunday, February 8, 2026- Saturday, February 13, 2026

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Mass Casualty Incident Response

Sponsored by CDP

Tuesday, February 10, 2026, 12:00pm-1:30pm

[Register Here](#)

Vital Skills for Effective Leadership Session 3 - Leading a multi-generational workforce

Sponsored by HANYS

Tuesday, February 10, 2026, 1:00pm-2:30pm

[Register Here](#)

Lines and More Lines: Managing Existing Catheters

Sponsored by NYS Vital Signs Academy

Tuesday, February 10, 2026, 6:00pm-7:00pm

[Register Here](#)

Leading Change

Sponsored by MARPHTC PITT

Wednesday, February 11, 2026, 12:00pm-2:00pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Healthcare Facility Emergency Management Program

Sponsored by CDP

Wednesday, February 11, 2026, 10:00am-1:00pm

[Register Here](#)

Planning for Disaster Debris Management (MGT-460)

Sponsored by NDPTC

Wednesday, February 11, 2026- Thursday, February 12, 2026, 1:00pm-5:00pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! A Deadly Dose: Fentanyl, Opioids, and the First Responder

Sponsored by CDP

Thursday, February 12, 2026, 1:00pm-2:00pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! ON-SCENE REHABILITATION FOR EMERGENCY OPERATIONS

Sponsored by DHSES

Monday, February 16, 2026-Wednesday, February 25, 2026, 6:30pm-9:30pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Fire Service Financial Management

Sponsored by National Fire Academy

Monday, February 16, 2026-Tuesday, February 17, 2026

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Individual & Collective Resilience in Response to Traumatic Stress Exposure

Sponsored by the Institute for Disaster Mental Health (IDMH) at SUNY New Paltz

Live Virtual Only: Tuesday, February 17, 2026, 10:00am - 2:00pm

Enroll in LMS Course: [OHEP-562a](#)

NEW! Hazardous Materials Technologies

Sponsored by CDP

Tuesday, February 17, 2026, 10:00am-12:00pm

[Register Here](#)

Community Resilience

Sponsored by NDPTC

Tuesday, February 17, 2026-Wednesday, February 18, 2026, 1:00pm-5:00pm

[Register Here](#)

Sixteen Personalities

Sponsored by MARPHTC PITT

Wednesday, February 18, 2026, 4:00pm-5:00pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Best Practices in Provider-Patient-Family Partnership for Individualized EP Planning

Sponsored by HCANYS

Thursday, February 19, 2026, 11:00am-12:30pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Nursing Home Survey Readiness: The Nutrition Critical Element Pathway

Sponsored by HANYs

Friday, February 20, 2026, 1:00pm-2:00pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Hazardous Materials Code Enforcement

Sponsored by National Fire Academy

Sunday, February 22, 2026- Friday, February 27, 2026

[Register Here](#)

Community Participation and Power

Sponsored by MARPHTC PITT

Tuesday, February 24, 2026, 12:00pm-2:00pm

[Register Here](#)

Homeland Security Exercise and Evaluation Program (HSEEP) (L-146)

Sponsored by DHSES

Tuesday, February 24 - Wednesday, February 25, 2026, 8:00am-5:00pm

Erie County Fire Training | Available Seats (as of 11/24/25): 27

Prerequisites: An Introduction to Exercises (IS-120)

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Hazmat Incident Command

Sponsored by DHSES
Wednesday, February 25, 2026-Thursday, March 5, 2026, 6:30pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! The Right to Protest and Law Enforcement Response

Sponsored by CDP
Thursday, February 26, 2026, 3:00pm-4:00pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Mass Casualty / Critical Infrastructure Awareness & Response

Sponsored by NYS Vital Signs Academy
Thursday, February 26, 2026, 6:30pm-7:30pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Advanced Burn Life Support (ABLS)

Sponsored by Upstate Medical Clark Burn Center
February 27th, 2026, from 7am-4pm in Syracuse, NY

How To Confirm Attendance for ABLSTM Live Course

- Log in to your ABA account and use this custom verification link to complete your registration for your desired course
- Your course **custom verification link:** <https://members.ameriburn.org/events/event-registration/?id=92b49f41-22d5-f011-ad8f-7c1e52dde945>
- As you are verifying your attendance, there will be a page to enter a registration code (**please note this is not to register for the course as a whole, but to register to receive your certificate**).
- **Registration code: *learn!*** (This code will make the certification free) make sure to include the exclamation point
- Once you have finished your verification process, check your e-mail and make sure you have received a confirmation. If you have not, e-mail abls@ameriburn.org so that they can help you trouble shoot the issue.

March – June 2026

March 2026

NEW! Fire Inspection Principles I

Sponsored by National Fire Academy
Sunday, March 1, 2026-Tuesday, March 3, 2026

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Managing Effective Fire Prevention Programs

Sponsored by National Fire Academy
Sunday, March 1, 2026- Friday, March 6, 2026

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Command and Control Decision-Making at Multiple Alarm Incidents

Sponsored by National Fire Academy
Sunday, March 1, 2026- Friday, March 6, 2026

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Approach to Poisoned Pediatric Patients

Sponsored by NYS Vital Signs Academy
Monday, March 2, 2026, 11:00am-12:00pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Survey of Community Policing

Sponsored by CDP
Monday, March 2, 2026, 12:00pm-1:00pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Fire Investigation: First Responders

Sponsored by National Fire Academy
Monday, March 2, 2026-Tuesday, March 3, 2026

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Active Shooter/Assailant: Behavioral Indicators and How to Respond

Sponsored by CDP
Tuesday, March 3, 2026, 10:00am-11:00am

[Register Here](#)

Leveraging and Promoting Social Support for Health

Sponsored by MARPHTC PITT
Tuesday, March 3, 2026, 1:00pm-2:00pm

[Register Here](#)

Vital Skills for Effective Leadership Session 4 - Building High-Performing Teams

Sponsored by HANYIS
Tuesday, March 3, 2026, 1:00pm-2:30pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Special Needs Population Consideration During Emergency Response

Sponsored by CDP
Wednesday, March 4, 2026, 10:00am-11:00am

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Northwell Health's Virtual Gun Violence Prevention Forum

Sponsored by Northwell Health
Thursday, March 5, 2026, 9:00am – 2:30pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Field Medical Tactics during an Emergency Response to an Active Assailant Incident

Sponsored by CDP
Thursday, March 5, 2026, 1:00pm-2:00pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Fire Inspection Principles 2: Inspection of Structures and Systems

Sponsored by National Fire Academy
Sunday, March 8, 2026- Friday, March 13, 2026

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Youth Firesetting Prevention and Intervention

Sponsored by National Fire Academy
Sunday, March 8, 2026-Friday, March 13, 2026

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NEW! Hazmat Incident Command

Sponsored by DHSES

Tuesday, March 10, 2026-Wednesday, March 11, 2026, 8:00am

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Developing Cybersecurity Resiliency for Everyone (AWR-136)

Sponsored by DHSES

Onondaga County Department of Emergency Management

Liverpool, NY

Tuesday, March 10, 2026, 8:00am-5:00pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Public Health Risk Communications Course

Sponsored by DHSES

SPTC, Oriskany, NY

March 10, 2026-March 11, 2026, 9:00am-4:00pm

[Register Here](#)

Resilience Skills for Public Health Professionals

Sponsored by MARPHTC PITT

Wednesday, March 11, 2026, 12:00pm-2:00pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Sepsis Alliance Symposium: Diagnostics and Diagnostic Stewardship

Sponsored by The Sepsis Alliance

March 11-12, 2026

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Leadership Series

Sponsored by NYS Vital Signs Academy

Thursday, March 12, 2026, 6:30pm-7:30pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Community Planning for Disaster Recovery (MGT-331)

Sponsored by NDPTC

Monday, March 16, 2026, 8:00am-5:00pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Great Panthers

Sponsored by NYS Vital Signs Academy

Monday, March 16, 2026, 11:00am-12:00pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Chemical Hazard Analysis for Risk-Based Response

Sponsored by National Fire Academy

Monday, March 16, 2026-Friday, March 27, 2026

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Wildland Urban Interface: Fire-Adapted Communities (PILOT class)

Sponsored by National Fire Academy

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Monday, March 16, 2026- Friday, March 20, 2026

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Command and Control of Fire Department Operations at Natural and Man-Made Disasters

Sponsored by National Fire Academy

Monday, March 16, 2026-Friday, March 27, 2026

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Target Analysis and Community Planning for Hazardous Materials

Sponsored by CDP

Tuesday, March 17, 2026, 2:00pm-4:00pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Lone Wolf Threat in Every Town USA

Sponsored by CDP

Wednesday, March 18, 2026, 12:00pm-1:00pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Mass Violence Toolkit (MVT) Preplanning, Response and Recovery

Sponsored by CDP

Wednesday, March 18, 2026, 2:00pm-3:00pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Planning, Response, and Management of a Biological Pathogen or Agent Incident

Sponsored by CDP

Tuesday, March 24, 2026, 11:00am-12:00pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Behavior of Hazardous Materials Containers

Sponsored by CDP

Tuesday, March 24, 2026, 2:00pm-3:00pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Emergency Operations Center (EOC) Leadership Skillset Course (G-2302)

Sponsored by DHSES

Tuesday, March 24, 2026-Thursday, March 26, 2026, 8:00am-5:00pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Hazmat and Decontamination during Storm Response – How it affects us all

Sponsored by CDP

Wednesday, March 25, 2026, 11:00am-12:00pm

[Register Here](#)

Community Planning for Disaster Recovery (AWR-356)

Sponsored by NDPTC

Wednesday, March 25, 2026-Thursday, March 26, 2026, 1:00pm-5:00pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Active Shooter/Assailant: Behavioral Indicators and How to Respond

Sponsored by CDP

Monday, March 30, 2026, 10:00am-11:00am

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NEW! Rescue Task Force During an Emergency Response to an Active Assailant Event

Sponsored by CDP

Monday, March 30, 2026, 1:00pm-2:00pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! The MISFITS and NEO SECRETS

Sponsored by NYS Vital Signs Academy

Tuesday, March 31, 2026, 6:00pm-7:00pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Fire Investigation: Case Preparation and Testimony

Sponsored by National Fire Academy

March 30, 2026-April 3, 2026

[Register Here](#)

April 2026

NEW! Medical Management of CBRNE Events (PER-211)

Sponsored by NYS Office of Emergency Management

Tuesday, April 7, 2026 – Wednesday, April 8, 2026, 8:00am-5:00pm

[Register Here](#)

2026 Preparedness Summit

Sponsored by TFAH

April 13th - 16th, 2026

Baltimore, MD

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Family Assistance Center (NYS-FAC)

Sponsored by NYS Office of Emergency Management

Wednesday, April 15, 2026- Thursday, April 16, 2026, 8:00am-5:00pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Decontamination

Sponsored by DHSES

Dresden Fire Dept., Dresden, NY

Tuesday, April 21, 2026, 6:00pm-10:00pm

[Register Here](#)

Evacuation Planning Strategies and Solutions (MGT-461)

Sponsored by NDPTC

Tuesday, April 21, 2026- April 22, 2026, 2:00pm-6:00pm

[Register Here](#)

Introduction to Effective Team Communication

Sponsored by MARPHTC PITT

Thursday, April 23, 2026, 12:00pm-2:00pm

[Register Here](#)

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May 2026

NEW! Community Planning for Disaster Recovery (MGT-331)

Sponsored by NDPTC

Tuesday, May 19, 2026-Wednesday, May 20, 2026, 2:00pm-6:00pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Medical Countermeasures: POD Planning, and Response (MGT-319)

Sponsored by DHSES

Wednesday, May 20, 2026-Thursdays, May 21, 2026, 8:00am-5:00pm

[Register Here](#)

NEW! Fire Investigation: Forensic Evidence Collection and Documentation

Sponsored by National Fire Academy

May 25, 2026- May 29, 2026

[Register Here](#)

New & OnDemand Content - NYLearnsPH.com

2025-2026 Guidance to Complete ServNY Incomplete Volunteer Check and Notification Drill - BPR-7

Sponsored by NYSDOH OHEP

Enroll in LMS Course: [OHEP-521b](#)

Log-in2Learn: Leveraging Lessons Learned to Enhance Public Health Preparedness

Sponsored by Region 2 Public Health Training Center

Recorded September 9, 2025

Enroll in LMS Course: [Req2PHTC-L2L202509](#)

Check the HTC Monthly Webinar Series Webpages for previous (recorded) offerings

- [HTC BP2 \(2025-2026\) Monthly Webinar Series Webpage](#)
- [HTC BP1 \(2024-2025\) Monthly Webinar Series Webpage](#)
- [HTC BP5 \(2023-2024\) Monthly Webinar Series Webpage](#)
- [HTC BP4 \(2022-2023\) Monthly Webinar Series Webpage](#)
- [RTC BP3 \(2021-2022\) Monthly Webinar Series Webpage](#)

Emergency Management for Healthcare Leaders

Sponsored by OHEP, MARO HTC and Northwell

Recorded on July 23, 2025

Enroll in LMS Course: [OHEP-HTC-BP2-S1-072025-MARO](#)

Handouts: [HTC BP2S1](#)

Regional Emerging Special Pathogen Treatment Center (RESPTC) & H5N1 Avian Influenza Overview

Sponsored by The Office of Health Emergency Preparedness (OHEP)

Register in LMS: [OHEP-303](#) | On-demand Training

Log-in2Learn: Public Health Workforce Burnout and Resilience

Sponsored by Region 2 Public Health Training Center

- **Part I: Leading for Wellbeing: Preventing Burnout and Fostering Resilience in Health Departments** - Recorded February 4, 2025
 - Enroll in LMS: [Req2PHTC-L2L202502](#)
- **Part II: Prevention and Intervention** -- Recorded March 4, 2025

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- Enroll in LMS: [Req2PHTC-L2L202503](#)
- **Part III: Mentoring for Retention - Recorded May 13, 2025**
 - Enroll in LMS: [Req2PHTC-20250513](#)

1.5 Category I Continuing Education Credit for CHES/MCHES & Certified in Public Health (CPH) credit

Developing a Response Plan to Misinformation in Public Health

Sponsored by Public Health Communications Collaborative

Recorded September 25, 2024

Enroll in LMS Course: [PHCC-20240925](#)

Integrated Preparedness Plan (IPP) Training Webinar - BPR-4

Sponsored by NYSDOH OHEP

Recorded September 23, 2024

Enroll in LMS Course: [OHEP-302](#) | Email prepedap@health.ny.gov for resources, questions, etc.

2024 Western Region Health Coalition Emergency Management Seminar: Healthcare Readiness and Response to HAZMAT Events

Sponsored by WRHC

Recorded May 14, 2024

Enroll in LMS Course: [OHEP-WRHTC-WRHEMS2024-HAZMAT](#)

Psychological First Aid

Sponsored by NYSDOH OHEP

Enroll in LMS Course: [OHEP-OMH-PFA-NY](#)

Psychological First Aid (PFA) Train-the-Trainer

Sponsored by The Office of Health Emergency Preparedness (OHEP), in partnership with the NYS Office of Mental Health (OMH) and the SUNY New Paltz Institute for Disaster Mental Health (IDMH)

Register in LMS: [OHEP-561a](#) | On-demand Training

[HTC Webinar Series - BP5\(2023-2024\) PROGRAM: Sessions 1-11](#) – Enroll and complete all 11 parts to receive a program certificate on the NYSDOH LMS!

The Region 2 Public Health Training Center is pleased to release their annual asynchronous training modules. Each offers 1 CHES or CPH Credit.

- **Beyond the Burnout Conversation- A Practical Workshop to Reclaim Aliveness**
Sponsored by Region 2 Public Health Training Center
Enroll in LMS Course: [Req2PHTC-1130676](#)
- **Climate Change and Food Insecurity: Actions for Health Departments**
Sponsored by Region 2 Public Health Training Center
Enroll in LMS Course: [Req2PHTC-1130577](#)
- **Climate Change and Mosquito-borne Diseases: Actions for Local Health Departments**
Sponsored by Region 2 Public Health Training Center
Enroll in LMS Course: [Req2PHTC-1130531](#)
- **Professional Communication Skills for Public Health Settings**
Sponsored by Region 2 Public Health Training Center

Enroll in LMS Course: [Req2PHTC-1130586](#)

- **Supporting Public Health Practitioners in Times of Loss and Grief**

Sponsored by Region 2 Public Health Training Center

Enroll in LMS Course: [Req2PHTC-1130677](#)

Log-in2Learn: Addressing the Impact of Climate Change on Food Systems

Sponsored by Region 2 Public Health Training Center

Recorded June 3, 2025, 12 – 1pm

Enroll in LMS Course: [Req2PHTC-L2L202506](#)

Climate Change and Flooding Risk: How Local HDs and Communities Can Prepare

Sponsored by Region 2 Public Health Training Center

Self-Paced Course | Enroll in LMS Course: [Req2PHTC-Flooding](#)

A Systems Approach to Reduce Gun Violence

Sponsored by Region 2 Public Health Training Center

Self-Paced Course | Enroll in LMS Course: [Req2PHTC-GunViolence](#)

Risk Communication: Best Practices for Communicating Effectively in High Stress Situations

Sponsored by South Central Partnership (SCP)

Enroll in LMS Course: [SCP-0244](#)

Crisis Management: Critical Thinking in Crisis Preparation

Sponsored by South Central Partnership

Self-Paced Course | Enroll in LMS Course: [SCP-0191](#)

Evidence-Based Approaches for Post-Disaster Mental Health Disorders

Sponsored by South Central Partnership

Enroll in LMS Course: [SCP-2055](#)

Additional Training of Interest - (On Demand)

NEW! [Tribal Behavioral Health](#)

Sponsored by Tulane PACE Learning Management System

NEW! [New Perspectives: Flooding – Infrastructure Challenges](#)

Sponsored by Region 6 South Central PHTC | Posted October 20, 2021

NEW! [New SHIELD Project to Modernize U.S. Preparedness Systems Through Innovation and Leadership](#)

Sponsored by Johns Hopkins Center for Health Security | Published January 12, 2026

NEW! [CDC COCA Call: 2025 - 2026 Clinical Recommendations for Seasonal Influenza Prevention and Control](#)

Sponsored by CDC | Recorded December 11, 2025

NEW! [Meeting the Moment: Inspiring Approaches to Public Health Communications - Free Public Health Webinar - Public Health Communications Collaborative](#)

Sponsored by PHCC | Recorded November 7, 2025

[AI in Action: Strengthening Public Health Communications with Care & Clarity - Free Public Health Webinar - Public Health Communications Collaborative](#)

Sponsored by PHCC | Recorded September 30, 2025

[The PHCC Academy](#)

Sponsored by Public Health Communications Collaborative

[First Responder Preparedness](#) | Course Bundle

Sponsored by South Central Partnership

[Health Systems Implementing Climate Action](#)

Sponsored by NYAM, partnered with AARP NY and SBP | Recorded September 2024

- [Disaster Preparedness at Home](#) was geared directly to older adults.
- [Building Disaster Resilient Communities](#) was meant for aging service professionals.

[UMSPH Institute for Firearm Injury Prevention Massive Open Online Course \(MOOC\)](#)

Presented by the University of Michigan Institute for Firearm Injury Prevention and the Firearm Safety among Children and Teens (FACTS) Consortium, the Science of Firearm Safety Among Children & Teens Massive Open Online Course covers a range of firearm injury topics.

[New First Receiver Training](#) - CNY HTC's 8-episode video series on first receiver decontamination

[Dealing with Stress in Disasters: Building Psychological Resilience](#)

Sponsored by Boston University School of Public Health | on-line course

[Public Health Prepared Training Catalog](#)

Sponsored by U of Michigan Center for Infectious Disease Threats & Pandemic Preparedness

OTHER FEDERAL and NATIONAL PROVIDER RESOURCES:

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Health Alert Network (HAN) [HAN Messages](#)

NEW! [New World Screwworm: Outbreak Moves into Northern Mexico](#) January 20, 2026

The Office of Emergency Risk Communication in the Office of Communications is responsible for managing COCA Products.

For information about this update or other clinical issues, or to send your feedback, please contact us at coca@cdc.gov

NEW! **CDC COCA Call: From Cave to Clinic: Managing Histoplasmosis in Returning Travelers**

Recorded January 15, 2026 | [View Here](#)

- [Clinician Outreach and Communication Activity](#)—resources for healthcare providers
- [Crisis & Emergency Risk Communication Training](#)—training program that draws from lessons learned during public health emergencies, and incorporates best practices from the fields of risk and crisis communication

Healthcare Quality and Worker Safety Information Resources:

Respiratory Illnesses Update – Nationally, the amount of acute respiratory illness causing people to seek health care is [high](#).

- **Seasonal [influenza \(flu\)](#)** activity is elevated and continues to increase across the country.
- **[Respiratory syncytial virus \(RSV\)](#)** activity is elevated in many areas of the country with emergency department visits and hospitalizations increasing among children 0-4 years old.
- **[COVID-19](#)** activity is low but increasing nationally.

Additional Information and Resources:

- [**CDC's Respiratory Virus Hospitalization Surveillance Network \(RESP-NET\)**](#) monitors laboratory-confirmed hospitalizations associated with influenza, COVID-19, and RSV among children and adults. An [**interactive dashboard**](#) is available to follow trends and comparisons of influenza, COVID-19, and RSV-associated hospitalizations in different demographic groups and over time.
- [**CDC's National Healthcare Safety Network \(NHSN\) Hospital Respiratory Data \(HRD\) Dashboard**](#) provides the latest U.S. hospital respiratory data, including weekly total new hospital admissions, hospital inpatient and intensive care unit (ICU) bed occupancy, and percent of patients with respiratory illnesses in the ICU.
- [**CDC's Respiratory Illness Season Toolkit**](#) provides essential resources and communication materials to assist public health partners in effectively engaging with the public, healthcare providers, and their partners before and during the respiratory illness season.
- [**CDC's NHSN Nursing Home Data Dashboard**](#) displays data among residents and healthcare personnel (HCP) of CMS-certified nursing homes. Nursing homes report COVID-19, influenza, and RSV data weekly to NHSN, including vaccination, cases, and hospitalizations among residents. Nursing homes also report COVID-19 vaccination data among HCP to NHSN monthly.
- [**CDC's Viral Respiratory Pathogens Toolkit for Nursing Homes**](#) helps nursing home infection preventionists and leadership prepare for and respond when symptoms of respiratory viral infections occur among nursing home residents or healthcare personnel. While the toolkit is tailored toward nursing homes, the resources and many of the listed actions could be adapted for use in other long-term care settings.

[**Register Today! CDC Webinar: Preventing and Responding to Respiratory Infections and Outbreaks in Long-Term Care – Tuesday, January 27, 2026 at 1:00 pm ET**](#) – Long-term care (LTC) residents are at high risk for respiratory infections and severe illness. Project Firstline invites partners to join an upcoming webinar featuring CDC experts and the American Medical Association for the latest information on preventing and responding to respiratory virus outbreaks in LTC settings. Learn about illness recognition, testing, treatment, vaccination, infection control, and resources for healthcare professionals, residents, and their families. Continuing education (CE) will be available. Don't miss this important discussion and please share with your networks and colleagues! [**Register and submit your questions in advance:**](#) <https://bit.ly/Respiratory-Infections-LTC>

[**Reserve Your Spot Today! 2026 Sepsis Champions Action Series**](#) - Hospitals and health systems are invited to join the **Sepsis Champions Action Series**—the next phase of the national sepsis collaborative—launching in **January 2026**. The series was developed in partnership with the CDC by the American Hospital Association's (AHA) Living Learning Network (LLN)*.

This initiative provides hospitals and health systems with a unique opportunity to advance sepsis early detection and management through [**CDC's Hospital Sepsis Program Core Elements**](#), reinforced by continuous quality improvement. Building on the success of the 2025 AHA LLN **Sepsis Champions Leadership Series**, it targets the most impactful opportunities for improvement identified during the collaborative. It focuses on emerging and priority areas in sepsis care highlighted by members, offering strategies to drive innovation, and support enhanced performance for improved clinical outcomes. Additionally, expanded support is available for rural hospitals through tailored, rural-specific offerings designed to address their unique needs.

The *Sepsis Champions Action Series* offers limited enrollment to ensure a high-quality, interactive experience with focused attention and support.

* The Living Learning Network (LLN) is an [American Hospital Association](#) initiative carried out through the [Health Research & Educational Trust](#) (HRET), a 501(c)(3) nonprofit subsidiary, and funded by the [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention](#) (CDC).

Sign up for the **CDC Learning Connection** newsletter to stay informed about quality public health trainings from CDC and partners

The U.S. Fire Administration's (USFA) National Fire Academy (NFA) Spotlight

The U.S. Fire Administration's (USFA) National Fire Academy (NFA) application period closed on January 15th for on-campus courses scheduled from April to June 2026.
(The application period for January through March 2026 on-campus courses closed on 10/15/2025.)
[Click here](#) to view vacancies for upcoming courses.

How to Apply:

- Apply using the electronic application form on the [NETC Online Admissions application](#) website.
- Obtain electronic approval from the head of your sponsoring organization.
- Do not plan to participate in a course until the Admissions office has notified you in writing.

If you need help completing your application, don't hesitate to contact our Admissions office by email at netcadmissions@fema.dhs.gov.

The National Center for Disaster Preparedness (NCDP)

[Take NCDP Web-based Trainings Today!](#) Through its FEMA training grants, will be offering the following free upcoming trainings. The training hosts are in the locations below; however, learners throughout the FEMA regions are welcome to attend. To learn about and register for these trainings, please visit our training portal at <https://training.ncdpcourses.org/>.

NCDP has several on-demand web-based trainings to train learners quickly on mass care shelter and evacuation operations.

- [AWR-423-W: Mass Care Shelter and Relocation Communication](#)
- [AWR-424-W: Pandemic Planning Multilateral Risk Communication](#)
- [PER-402-W: Pandemic Planning for Mass Sheltering](#)

To register for these trainings, please visit our portal at <https://training.ncdpcourses.org>.

American Journal of Public Health (AJPH)

February 2026 [American Journal of Public Health - Volume 116, Issue 2](#)

- **LGBTQ+ Health and Well-Being: Flourishing, Pride, and Joy Health**

January 2026 [American Journal of Public Health - Volume 116, Issue 1](#)

- **Promoting Public Trust and Trustworthiness in Public Health**

Newsletter/Email Sign Up - To get the latest updates, misinformation alerts, and resources from national content providers.

- Sign-up for EPIC exchange Newsletters - Email: EPIC@cdc.gov
- [Johns Hopkins Center for Health Security - Health Security Decoded – Sign Up](#)
- [Trust for America's Health Wellness and Prevention Digest – Sign Up](#)
- [Public Health Communications Collaborative – Sign Up on the website.](#)
- [U.S. Fire Administration \(USFA\) email notifications](#)

Podcasts & New Emergency Management Program

New York Public Health Now Podcast - <https://www.health.ny.gov/commissioner/podcasts/>

Navigating Public Health in a Political World; A Conversation with Dr. Demetre Daskalakis

- Season 4 Episode 3

From Hospital Beds to Healthy Homes: The Power of RSV Vaccination | Nov 13, 2025

- Season 4 Episode 2

If you have an idea for topics, please let us know: PublicHealthNowPodcast@health.ny.gov

ASTHO:

- **NEW Daily!** [Public Health Review Morning Edition \(astho.org\)](#)
- [Public Health Review | ASTHO](#)

Public Health Prepared, Michigan Center for Infectious Disease Threats; University of Michigan School of Public Health: [Prepared. Set. Go! Podcast](#)

NETEC (National Emerging Special Pathogens Training and Education Center) Podcasts:

- **NEW!** Transmission Interrupted: [Special Pathogen Research Network \(SPRN\)](#)

NEW! Building Competency in Emergency Management: A Program to Develop the Next Generation of Emergency Leaders

This multi-course program is designed to equip emerging emergency management professionals with the foundational knowledge, practical skills, and leadership competencies needed to guide organizations through all phases of an emergency. Through a structured progression of learning—from mitigation and planning, to response, to recovery and continuous improvement, participants will gain a full-spectrum understanding of effective emergency management. Together, these three courses form a robust developmental pathway that empowers the next generation of emergency leaders to plan, respond effectively and guide their organizations toward resilience and long-term recovery. Each Course is on the HPP Pre-Approved list for vouchering. Those that attend all three courses will also receive a Certificate of Program Completion.

COURSE A – RISKS & PLANS

Course A is part 1 of 3 in the program series and introduces participants to the core principles of emergency management, including the four phases (Mitigation, Planning, Preparedness, Response, Recovery) and the fundamentals of the Incident Command System (ICS). Participants will identify and prioritize hazards, build threat matrices, and learn about plans aligned with community and organizational risks.

Objectives:

- Gain awareness and understand the four principles of EM (Mitigation, Planning, Response, Recovery)
- Learn and develop a threat matrix for hazard awareness and prioritization
- Develop an understanding of the principles of ICS including use of plain language, span of control, chain of command, and common roles
- Understand the importance of plan development in line with threats, plan maintenance, and plan activation

COURSE B – TEACHING & TRAINING

Course B is part 2 of 3 in the program series focuses on building an effective, trained, and coordinated workforce. Participants will learn and engage best practices for teaching, training, and exercising emergency plans, identifying capability gaps, and strengthening readiness through collaboration with partners and stakeholders.

Objectives:

- Discover best practices in teaching and training the emergency management plans

- Learn how to test plans through drills and exercises
- Establish a network of partners and stakeholders

COURSE C – ACTIVATION, RECOVERY & BEYOND

Course C is part 3 of 3 in the program series prepares participants for the complexities of real-world emergencies by exploring plan activation, operational coordination, data collection, and incident demobilization. Emphasis is placed on navigating recovery challenges, conducting after-action reviews, and cultivating leadership skills such as communication, decision-making, and effectively identifying problems, while supporting responder well-being, and updating plans and procedures based on the event.

Objectives:

- Understand the unique challenges of responding to an event or emergency.
- How to evaluate actions using an after action process
- Navigate of the challenges of recovery
- Develop best practices of communication, leadership, decision making, conflict resolution, and mental health.

TARGET AUDIENCE:

This course series is designed for those new to the field of emergency management, new to their role supporting emergency preparedness for their agency, or anyone looking for a refresher in emergency preparedness and management skills and concepts.

PROGRAM/COURSE REGISTRATION: Visit [NYSDOH LMS](#). Search [PROGRAM CATALOG](#) to enroll in the 3 Course Series or register for each course individually via below links.

COURSE OFFERINGS/DATES/TIMES/LOCATIONS

COURSE NAME	DATE	TIME	LOCATION
Course A: Risks & Plans REGISTER HERE: OHEP-WRHTC-EM-PRGM-A	Tuesday, January 27, 2026	10am-4pm	Rochester
	Thursday, January 29, 2026	10am-4pm	Cheektowaga
	Wednesday, February 4, 2026	10am-4pm	Bath
COURSE NAME	DATE	TIME	LOCATION
Course B: Teaching & Training REGISTER HERE: OHEP-WRHTC-EM-PRGM-B	Tuesday, March 10, 2026	10am-4pm	Rochester
	Thursday, March 12, 2026	10am-4pm	Cheektowaga
	Thursday, March 19, 2026	10am-4pm	Bath
COURSE NAME	DATE	TIME	LOCATION
Course C: Activation, Recovery & Beyond REGISTER HERE: OHEP-WRHTC-EM-PRGM-C	Tuesday, May 5, 2026	10am-4pm	Rochester
	Thursday, May 7, 2026	10am-4pm	Cheektowaga
	Thursday, May 14, 2026	10am-4pm	Bath