

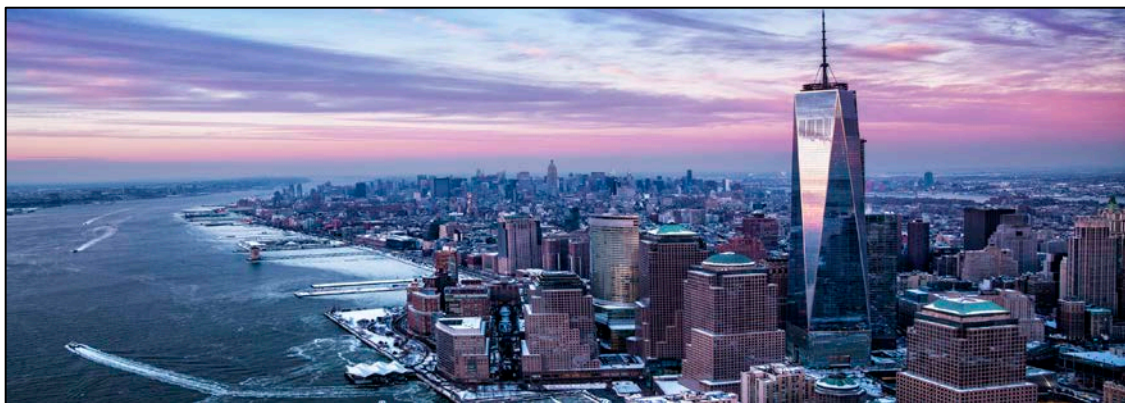


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Meet Region II Youth Preparedness Member Aahna

By Aahna Ghosh

I have been so grateful to have had the opportunity to be a part of the Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA) National Youth Preparedness Council (YPC) and I am honored to have been the Region II representative for the last two years. I have always had a strong desire to make a positive impact on other people's lives. When I found out about the FEMA YPC council I knew it would be the perfect opportunity to fulfill this desire and I was right.



Currently I am working on a group project with five of the other council members. Specifically, we are focusing on the importance of teen preparedness and working to increase awareness throughout the nation. We have just finished creating an updated and easily understood implementation guide. Now our goal is to use this guide to implement Teen CERTS (Community Emergency Response Teams) around the country! As a result, more teens in the nation will be able to successfully act and react in emergency situations.

Individually, over the past two years I have been working as an advocate for active shooter preparedness. Inspired by the Safe and Sound Schools organization, I held a service night in which emergency kits were created for each classroom in my school. Unfortunately, now more than ever, it is vital to heighten the awareness for active shooter preparedness and I will continue to do so in my community and on a national level. I have also organized a Pillowcase Project, with the help of the American Red Cross, for a local Girl Scout troop where the girls were educated in individual preparedness and fire safety.

Join FEMA'S YPC

Since 2012, [The Department of Homeland Security's FEMA's Youth Preparedness Council](#) engages their local and national communities in projects about emergency preparedness. Youth from 8th to 11th grade interested in emergency preparedness who have a history of community service are encouraged to apply to FEMA's Youth Preparedness Council. Each member serves two-year terms and represent the youth perspective on emergency preparedness. They work with FEMA regularly to provide their input on projects, strategies, and initiatives during their terms.



My time on the FEMA YPC has been very successful and I could not have asked for a better experience. I was extremely thrilled this year to receive a letter from New Jersey Governor, Chris Christie, honoring my work on the council. Most recently, I have earned the President's Volunteer Service Award. I could not have successfully completed my work on the council without the help of my Region II Mentor, Deborah Costa, and the National Youth Preparedness Lead, Alli Carlock, as well as the rest of the FEMA staff.



Coming Soon to Region II

Campus Shield Active Shooter Workshop

FEMA Region II is partnering with Long Island University Post Campus to present an active shooter workshop for colleges and universities in the Long Island area. This one day workshop will look at pre-incident protection, response, and the unique recovery challenges of an academic campus setting. The workshop will be **March 16, 2018 from 08:30 to 15:30** at LIU Post in Brookville, NY. Registration link: <https://fema.connectsolutions.com/campusshieldliu/event/registration.html>

New Jersey's Hometown Security Seminar in Warren County

March 22, 2018 from 4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. ET



The New Jersey Office of Homeland Security and Preparedness (NJOHSP), will host a Hometown Security Seminar at the Warren County Community College (475 Route 57 West, Washington, NJ 07882).

NJOHSP's Hometown Security program is a collaborative effort to discuss tools and resources that help strengthen the security and resilience of communities across New Jersey. Small businesses and other local organizations engage with federal, state, and local partners to enhance information sharing and build preparedness capabilities. Join for presentations on how to increase readiness, resilience, and overall security. Speakers will discuss resources available to communities to develop emergency plans, train and exercise employees, and build capabilities. [Click here to register.](#) If you have any questions please email Preparedness@njohsp.gov.

Learn How to Strengthen Your Organization's Cyber Security Webinar

FEMA Region II and the FEMA Individual and Community Preparedness Directorate invites you to a cyber security webinar on **Wednesday, March 28, 2018**. The webinar will feature two speakers, the first of which is Mr. Reggie McKinney, Program Director, DHS Critical Infrastructure Cyber Community (C3) Voluntary Program. Reggie will provide an overview of incident response resources, hands-on technical assistance, and information sharing resources that are available from the DHS Critical Infrastructure Cyber Community (C3) Voluntary Program.

The second speaker, Ms. Susan Rogers, Vice President, Business Resilience, Financial Services Information Sharing and Analysis Center (FS-ISAC), will provide an overview of the FS-ISAC, a global, non-profit organization consisting of 7,000+ members from throughout the banking, securities, and insurance industries. This segment will also illustrate how participants may connect the FS-ISAC trusted network to crisis planning, exercising, and response and recovery activities within their own organizations.

Title: Learn How to Bolster Your Organization's Cyber Posture

Date: **Wednesday, March 28, 2018**

Time: 12:00 – 1:00 EST

How to Join the Webinar:

- Please register for the event using this link:
<https://icpd.adobeconnect.com/cyber1/event/registration.html>
- Be sure to [test your Adobe Connect connection](#) prior to the meeting.
- This webinar will offer captioning.

Ready Senior Workshop

FEMA Region II is pleased to announce that it has partners with the Administration for Community Living, Center for Medicaid/Medicare Services, and the Substance Abuse Mental Health Services Administration to develop a readiness workshop for those organizations that provide critical services to the senior citizen population. This one day workshop will share information on business continuity, staff preparedness, and becoming a conduit for preparedness in the senior citizen communities.



May 18, 2018	Holy Name Medical Center Marion Hall Conference Center 718 Teaneck Rd, Teaneck, NJ	https://fema.connectsolutions.com/readysenior0518/event/registration.html <i>Note: Adobe Connect is only being used for registration, this is an in-person course.</i>
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Exercise Design Course

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Region II will be conducting training for emergency exercise design and evaluation (a combination of FEMA Courses I-120 and L-146). The course is a 4 day program which focuses on the design phase of the Homeland Security Exercise and Evaluation Program (HSEEP).

Course details:

Emergency managers, emergency services personnel, and other individuals who are part of the emergency preparedness and response or continuity of operations need to be able to use the fundamentals of exercise simulation and design as an integrated system of resources and capabilities. Skills learned during this program will enable jurisdictions to conduct NIMS required exercises.

The course will develop emergency response and continuity exercise skills in the following areas:

- Exercise programs
- Exercise process
- Exercise design steps
- Tabletop, functional and full-scale exercises
- Exercise evaluation
- Exercise enhancements
- Designing a functional exercise

The course will conclude with students conducting and evaluating actual tabletop and functional exercises in a group/team environment.

Target Audience:

The target audience is any official having direct responsibility for developing and conducting emergency response or continuity exercises.

Dates/Location/Registration

May 28-June 1, 2018	Center for Simulation Learning, Holy Name Hospital 718 Teaneck Rd, Teaneck, NJ	https://fema.connectsolutions.com/r2hseep/teaneck/event/registration.html <i>Note: Adobe Connect is only being used for registration, this is an in-person course.</i>
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Important Deadlines

FY 2017 Fire Prevention & Safety (FP&S) Grant Applications Open

The grant application is now open and will close on **Friday, March 16, 2018 at 5:00 p.m. ET**. Start your application today by using these [application assistance tools](#). If you have questions about the Notice of Funding Opportunity or technical assistance tools listed, call or e-mail the FP&S Grants Help Desk. The toll-free number is 1-866-274-0960; the e-mail address for questions is firegrants@fema.dhs.gov.

EMERGENCY MANAGER OF THE YEAR AWARD

Sponsored by American Military University

Deadline March 15, 2018

The award is for the New Jersey Emergency Preparedness Association to recognize and give honor to an individual or program, public or private that embodies the values and leadership displayed by Emergency Coordinator Kevin H. Tuno during his thirty-three years of service to the Emergency Management Community in New Jersey. The recipient will be an individual or program who, through their long-term commitment to emergency preparedness efforts, have clearly influenced the Emergency Management profession in New Jersey, in a positive and insightful manner.

Visit the [Awards page](#) to begin the application process.

CAPTAIN JONATHAN C. YOUNG MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Deadline March 30, 2018

This scholarship, named for Captain Jonathan C. Young, former President of the New Jersey Emergency Preparedness Association, is intended for a graduating high school senior or college student presently enrolled in an accredited college or university interested in pursuing a career in the emergency management field of study (to be approved by the Scholarship Committee). This includes fire suppression, law enforcement, hazardous material, arson investigation, etc.

Visit the [Scholarship page](#) to access the application form.

FEMA News

Save the Date – 43rd Annual Natural Hazards Research and Applications Workshop

Please mark your calendars for the 43rd Annual Natural Hazards Research and Applications Workshop, which will be held **July 8-11, 2018** in Broomfield, Colorado. As the many recent disasters have illustrated so vividly, there is still much work to be done to mitigate risk, improve response, and ensure that recovery is done in a just and equitable way. Additionally, researchers and those interested in learning about the latest research findings will want to note that the Natural Hazards Center is co-convening a researcher add-on meeting on July 11-12.

FEMA and Partners Release PrepTalks Symposium Video

The inaugural third video presentation from the PrepTalks Symposium is now available for viewing at www.fema.gov/preptalks. The presentation by Dr. Daniel Aldrich is available along with a discussion guide and additional resources. “Social Capital in Disaster Mitigation and Recovery” explains how

social ties are the critical aspect for resilience in immediate survival, in mental health, and in community recovery.

Core Capability Development Sheets Updated

The 48 Core Capability Development sheets first released in June of 2017 have been updated. The updated sheets provide state, local, tribal, and territorial jurisdictions with suggestions for how to improve their core capabilities and close capability gaps identified through the Threat and Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment (THIRA), the State Preparedness Report (SPR), or other capability assessments. You can [view, download, and bookmark the new version of the sheets](#).

Tribes, Urban Area Security Initiatives Grantees Must Now Complete Stakeholder Preparedness Review

FEMA has administered the State Preparedness Report (SPR) since 2008 to assess state and territory preparedness. For the past year, FEMA worked with state, local, tribal, territorial, and federal partners to develop a revised methodology to assess preparedness capabilities. As part of this revised process, tribes and urban areas receiving preparedness grants will now also be required to conduct the SPR. Tribes will only be required to complete the Threat and Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment (THIRA) and SPR for select core capabilities. To reflect the fact that the SPR is no longer limited to states and territories, FEMA updated the name to Stakeholder Preparedness Review (SPR). 2018, respondents will only need to address the response, recovery, and cross-cutting core capabilities in their THIRA and SPR. In 2019, respondents will be required to address all 32 capabilities. Beginning in 2019, jurisdictions will only need to submit a THIRA to FEMA once every three years. FEMA will host at least three in-person Technical Assistance sessions in May and June to train respondents on the revised process.

FEMA Releases Recovery Advisory to Assist Homeowners in the U.S. Virgin Islands with Rebuilding

Homeowners in the US Virgin Islands impacted by Hurricanes Irma and Maria are encouraged to understand their flood risk and any building or insurance requirements by consulting the effective Flood Insurance Rate Maps for the USVI. Homes located in Special Flood Hazard Areas are subject to NFIP regulations, such as Substantial Improvement and Substantial Damage and homeowners need to be aware of these as they make decisions. The Recovery Advisory also includes options they may want to consider to minimize risk of future flooding when rebuilding, including relocation, elevation and wet flood-proofing. [View the advisory and its additional resources to support rebuilding](#).

New Guide Helps Fire Departments Manage Risk

Risk Management Practices in the Fire Service contains recommended approaches to help your department manage organizational, operational and community risk. Throughout the manual, we address specific challenges involved in incorporating a “risk management approach” into the delivery of fire department services. Focus areas include: defining risk; organizational risk management; operational risk management; managing information; and community risk reduction. [Download the guide by clicking here.](#)



Association of State Floodplain Managers (ASFPM) 2018 Annual National Conference

The Association of State Floodplain Managers will convene the world's largest and most comprehensive floodplain management conference – their [42nd annual gathering](#) will be happening on **June 17 - 21, 2018** at the Phoenix Convention Center in downtown Phoenix, Arizona. Share your experiences with local, state, regional, tribal and federal officials, industry leaders, consultants and a wide variety of subject matter experts from diverse fields who will give presentations relevant to the theme, "Managing Floods Where Mountains Meet the Desert". The conference is conducted by the Association of State Floodplain Managers, the world's leading voice for sound floodplain management, with 17,400 practitioners, 9,500 Certified Floodplain Managers, 36 chapters, and 73 corporate and agency Partners world-wide. For early registration pricing ending on April 17, 2018 follow this [link](#).



3 Ways to Make a Difference during Red Cross Month

**MARCH IS
RED CROSS
MONTH**



**American
Red Cross**

Every March, the American Red Cross recognizes our country's everyday heroes who give their time to help people in need. In addition to supplying about 40 percent of our Nation's blood, the American Red Cross relies on the heroic efforts of its workers and volunteers to provide shelter, food, and emotional support during emergencies and disasters. 3 ways you can become a hero for the American Red Cross:

- Lend a hand in your community and [become a Red Cross volunteer](#).
- Gain information and skills to help in an emergency and [take a class](#).
- Get your family involved and develop a preparedness plan for emergencies and [make a plan](#).

Kids Korner

Ready.Gov Games: Disaster Master



Get ready for some serious adventure! Step into the heart of the action as you help the Heroes face everything from home fires to earthquakes. What should they do? Make the right choice and earn points to get to the next level. Make the wrong choice and watch out! Winners get their own graphic novel! Click the icon on the left to play now!

Ready.Gov Games: Build a Kit

You're on a mission! Go through different locations with Gayle and her friends to find what you need for an emergency kit. Will you pick the correct items? Have fun and build a checklist along the way. Hurry! Your family is counting on you, click the icon on the right to play now!



Preparing Youth for Disasters

[This webinar](#) focuses on engaging the public in disaster preparedness and resilience efforts serving youth. Children can have a huge impact in disaster preparedness measures. Their participation in preparedness programs.

Youth Preparedness Catalogue

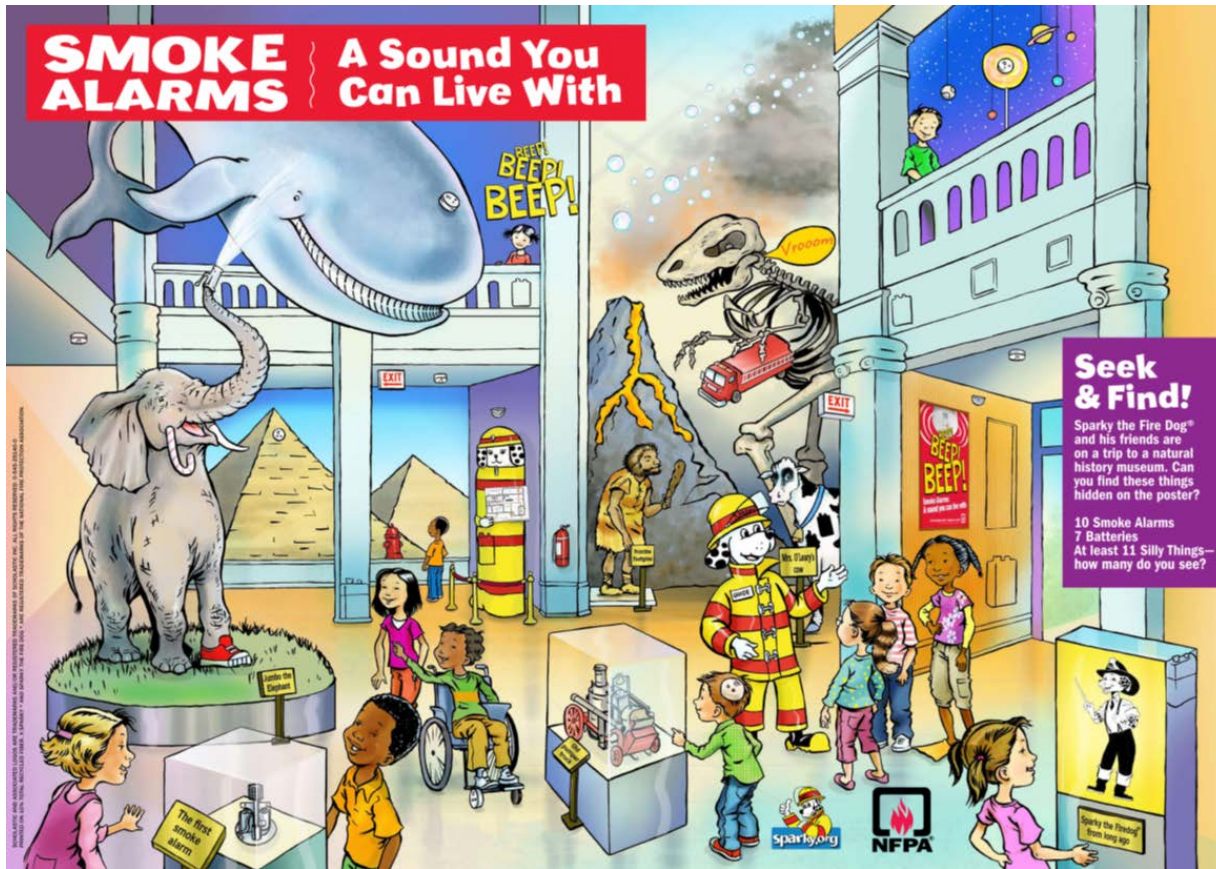
[This catalogue](#) contains disaster preparedness education programs and resources for youth.

FEMA Children & Disasters Newsletter

[Subscribe](#) to FEMA's children and disasters newsletter. This newsletter shares timely research, examples of successful youth preparedness programs, safety tips, and resources related to youth preparedness to youth preparedness practitioners, educators, parents, children, and teens. You can also search through the [archived issues](#).



Kids Preparedness Games



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Emergency Preparedness Tips



FEMA REGION II CHILD IDENTITY THEFT PREVENTION TIPS



- Keep all documents with your child's personal information (such as DOB or SSN) safely locked away.
- Share your child's Social Security Number (SSN) only with parties you know and trust.
- Make sure a website is secure when sharing personal information online (URL begins with "https").
- Use a secure computer with antivirus and firewall protection.
- Don't share personal or financial info through an unsecured wireless connection in a public place.
- Always log out of a site when you are done using it.
- Always make sure you dispose of personal information safely (shredding letters and deleting files).
- Ensure your child understands computer security, such as strong passwords and avoiding viruses.



For more information go to
<https://www.identitytheft.gov/steps>

FEMA REGION II TIPS FOR KIDS

If disaster strikes, knowledge is power! Follow these steps in an emergency.



- Pick 1 person for everyone to call. It may be easier to reach someone who lives out of town!
- Text them instead of calling unless you HAVE to.
- Make a fire escape plan with 2 ways out of every room and practice it twice a year.
- Choose a meeting spot near your home and practice getting there.
- Choose a spot outside your neighborhood in case you can't get there.
- Keep your family's contact info and meeting spot in your cellphone or backpack.

For more info, go to <https://www.ready.gov/kids/make-a-plan>

Educational/Training Opportunities

Emergency Management Institute Emmitsburg, MD



Continuity Planners Workshop

March 13-15, 2018	Oakland, CA	Russell/Castaneda
March 14-16, 2018	Durant, OK	McDannald
March 20-22, 2018	Beaumont, TX	McDannald
March 27-29, 2018	Portland, OR	Grant

Purpose: The Continuity of Operations (COOP) Planner's Workshop is to provide COOP training for Continuity Planners at the Federal, State, Territorial, Local, and Tribal levels of government. Federal Continuity Directive (FCD) 1 directs the Federal executive branch departments and agencies and offers guidance for non-federal, in governments for developing COOP Plans and Programs. COOP Plans facilitate the performance of essential functions during any situation which may disrupt normal operations. The goal of this workshop is to provide you with the tools and hands-on experience necessary to improve your departments' or agencies' Continuity of Operations (COOP) plans.

Integrating Emergency Management Education into Your Institution:

March 19-20, 2018 and April 23-24, 2018 in Emmitsburg, MD

Purpose: to provide information about emergency management (EM) and the benefits of and resources available for integrating EM degree programs and EM course offerings at institutions of higher education. It is a facilitation-driven workshop focused on creating an Action Plan to be applied within each participant's academic department. During the session, participants will be inspired to see the importance of EM and will create an Action Plan that they can use, along with a toolkit of additional resources that will be provided, when they return to their schools to increase their school's EM-related offerings. See course details [here](#).

Virtual Tabletop Exercise Program

March 20, 2018	Complex Terrorist Attacks/Non-Stafford Act Incidents (Mall Active Shooter)	EMI
March 21, 2018	Complex Terrorist Attacks/Non-Stafford Act Incidents (Mall Active Shooter)	EMI
March 22, 2018	Complex Terrorist Attacks/Non-Stafford Act Incidents (Mall Active Shooter)	EMI

The VTTX involves key personnel discussing simulated scenarios in an informal setting, and can be used to assess plans, policies, training, and procedures. Learn more [here](#).

Advanced Public Information Officers (PIO)

National Emergency Training Center

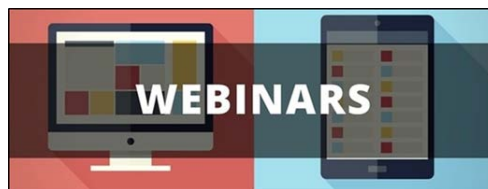
Purpose: To provide participants the knowledge and skills to establish, manage and work within a joint information center (JIC) through multimedia lectures and individual and group activities. The

training allows participants the opportunity to apply advanced public information skills during a five-day functional exercise (FE) designed to test the participants' abilities to analyze, coordinate, process and create information in a fast-paced, realistic environment. The course will take place from **April 15 – April 20, 2018 from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.** To learn more and to register, [click here](#).

Emergency Management Higher Education Symposium **June 4-7, 2018**

Purpose: To encourage and support inter-school dialogue on a variety of issues and topics related to hazard, disaster, and emergency management higher education, as well as to facilitate direct dialogue between the Emergency Management Higher Education Program and representatives of colleges and universities with emergency management programs to improve program quality. A secondary purpose of the symposium is to provide information to the faculty and administrators of emergency management collegiate programs that could be used in the development of new emergency management college courses and programs. To learn more [click here](#).

Webinars



Preventing Human Trafficking in Disasters: What You Need to Know and What You Can Do

March 13, 2018 at 1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. EDT

The DHS Center for Faith-based and Neighborhood Partnerships (DHS Center), the DHS Blue Campaign, Office on Trafficking in Persons at the U.S. Department Health and Human Services, and FEMA, will be cohosting this event. This webinar will provide information and resources on how to identify the risk factors that may lead to human trafficking. This also includes information on how to better prepare faith and community groups, first responders and emergency managers to recognize social and emotional impacts caused by disasters. [Click here to register](#). Please be sure to [test your Adobe Connect connection](#) prior to the meeting.

Higher Education Program Webinars: FEMA Careers

March 13, 2018 2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. ET.

The webinar will present an overview of FEMA's mission, career opportunities, the various employment types and developmental roles available within the agency. In addition, information and advice on the application process, resume writing and interviewing techniques will be provided. All questions will be addressed following the presentation.

Registration: <https://fema.connectsolutions.com/femacareers/event/registration.html>

Conference Call-In: 1-800-320-4330, PIN: 376368

For additional information: Contact Wendy Walsh - wendy.walsh@fema.dhs.gov

CyberSecure My Business™ Webinar: Know What Recovery Looks Like

March 13, 2018 at 2:00 p.m. ET

What does it take for your small or medium-sized business to get back up and running after a cyber-attack? The Small Business Administration (SBA) is participating in a webinar hosted by the National Cyber Security Alliance (NCSA) – as part of the CyberSecure My Business™ program – to learn about recovering from a cyber incident. [Register here.](#)

FEMA Emergency Management Institute - Weekly EMI e-Forums Wednesdays in March from 3:00–4:00 pm ET

EMI e-Forums are 1-hour, moderated, webinar discussion forums that provide an opportunity for EMI and the emergency management community to discuss matters of interest on national preparedness training and exercise. EMI e-Forums facilitate a discussion of whole community-presented best practices. The panel members are whole community, with topics relevant to whole community. These exchanges of ideas are free of charge and available to anyone who wishes to participate.

Date Topic

March 14	VOADS and Government: Shared Training Resources
March 21	Incorporating Reusable Learning Objects (RLOs) in Training: How to Use from an Instructional Systems Designer
March 28	Homeland Security Exercise and Evaluation Program (HSEEP): Beyond the Templates

Login link: <https://fema.connectsolutions.com/emieforums>

Conference call-in: 800-320-4330, PIN 107622

FirstNet-Onramp for First Responder Apps Webinar

March 14, 2018 at 1:00 p.m. ET

The National Information Sharing Consortium (NISC) will host a webinar with NISC bronze sponsor, CA Technologies, to provide an overview of the secure FirstNet onramp solutions they are developing for State and Local applications and data. Even with the advent of FirstNet, State and Local governments want to keep their applications running on their choice of infrastructure but also want interoperability with the anticipated FirstNet applications/capabilities. This requires secure bridging/interoperability/access control functionality, purpose built to work with FirstNet. The goal is to create a secure FirstNet Interoperability “Onramp” for State and Local applications and their data, preconfigured to provide deep visibility into application traffic and load tested to ensure everything works when needed. [Click here to register for this webinar.](#)

SCORE LIVE Webinar: Three Ways to Boost Your Bottom Line

March 15, 2018 at 1:00 p.m. ET

Do you ever feel like you're overwhelmed and scared to take a serious look at the numbers side of your business? In this webinar produced by SCORE, a resource partner of the U.S. Small Business Administration, you will learn: the relationship between prosperity thinking and poverty thinking, the difference between profits and cash, how the timing of inflows and outflows of money affects your business, and how to have your business money serve your personal life

Texas Floodplain Construction Training

As Texas recovers and rebuilds from Hurricane Harvey, it is important to design and build stronger. This all starts with an understanding of the International Code Council's Residential and Building Codes, the ASCE 24 Standard, FEMA Guidelines and best practice approaches seen during Hurricane Harvey. This 1.5-hour webinar is designed to educate architects, builders, code officials, engineers and floodplain managers. Register for the [March 19 webinar](#), [March 20 webinar](#) or [March 21 webinar](#).

Disaster Volunteer Management: Recruit, Train and Retain

March 21, 2018 at 1:00 p.m. ET

Join the Safe + Ready Institute and learn about the best practices for recruiting, training, and retaining disaster volunteers. Learn how to develop strategies which target individuals, groups, and government employees; how to effectively use state, county, and city disaster leave laws to recruit volunteers; how to implement training programs that include online and on-site courses; and how to manage volunteers to make sure they stay engaged and are available when they are needed. Learn more and register for this webinar for free by following [this link](#).



TETRA Technology for Mission Critical Solutions

March 27, 2018 at 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. ET



The objective of this presentation by the Power & Energy Society (PES) and Industry Applications Society (IAS) New York Chapters and the New York Life Members Affinity Group (LMAG) is to provide a general knowledge of the TETRA Technology and its high value when it is applied to Public Safety and Mission Critical Solutions. Nowadays, technology is everywhere, especially in regards to telecommunications. In this era every officer, bus operator, train driver, forest ranger, etc; needs to be connected, located and coordinated with high quality and effective telecom systems. The TETRA technology allows the end user to control, coordinate and manage large fleets of subscribers in wide areas with a spectrum efficient radio network. This technology fully integrates voice and data allowing the end user to maximize the network functionality and performance. However, TETRA technology has limitations and practical considerations that have to be addressed and could create risks for the design and implementation of the systems. [RSVP here](#).

Webinar on Healthcare Response to a No-Notice Incident

March 28, 2018 at 1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. ET



It is crucial that healthcare facilities must be able to respond quickly and efficiently to mass shootings and similar no-notice events. No community is immune from these types of incidents and responding to them takes significant time, resources, energy, and planning. In addition to local emergency medical services, all facility personnel – from leadership to admissions to physicians – plan an important role in preparedness, response, and recovery. [Learn more](#) or [register here](#).

Building the Evidence Base for Disaster Risk Reduction for Health Systems in Response to Natural Disasters: Webinar 1 – State of the Science

[This 1.5 hour webinar](#) is the first part of a series of webinars to discuss the current state and future direction of critical healthcare infrastructure modeling for disaster events. It explains how to establish the framework for the overall predictive modeling project. This series is co-sponsored by the National Center for Disaster Medicine and Public Health (NCDMPH), National Institute for Standards and Technology (NIST), and the National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences (NIEHS) with coordination through the Global Change Research Program. The goal is to develop a platform for integrating extreme event forecasts, health risk/impact assessment and population simulations, critical infrastructure impact and response models, and health care facility-specific vulnerabilities.

Building the Evidence Base for Disaster Risk Reduction for Health Systems in Response to Natural Disasters: Webinar 2 – Engaging Stakeholders

[This 1.5 hour webinar](#) is the second part of a series of webinars to discuss the current state and future direction of critical healthcare infrastructure modeling for disaster events. It explains how to establish the framework for the overall predictive modeling project. The goal is to develop a platform for integrating extreme event forecasts, health risk/impact assessment and population simulations, critical infrastructure impact and response models, health care facility-specific vulnerability and failure assessments, and health system/patient flow responses. The integration of these models is intended to create a more resilient regional health care system.

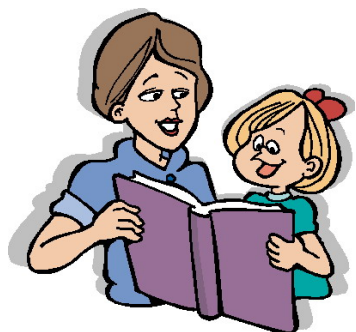
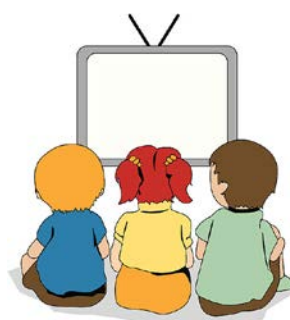


Resources for Children with Special Health Care Needs

[This collection](#) by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services and the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response contains resources provides response and recovery information for use by families, organizations, and clinicians providing care to children with special health care needs in the areas affected by Hurricanes Harvey, Irma, and Maria in 2017. These resources complement guidance provided by state and/or local authorities, which may have more information about location-specific activities and services.

Talking to Children about Terrorist Attacks and School and Community Shootings in the News

[This two-page guide](#) offers advice on how to talk to children about tragic events, such as shootings and terrorist attacks that they are likely to hear about at school and/or on the news. It provides answers to questions parents and caregivers may ask about talking to children about the tragedy, and guidance on how to tell if children need additional help.



Tips for Talking with and Helping Children and Youth Cope After a Disaster or Traumatic Event

A Guide for Parents, Children and Teachers: [Download this fact sheet](#), which helps parents and teachers recognize common reactions of children after experiencing a disaster or traumatic event. It highlights reactions by age group, offers tips for how to respond in a helpful way, and recommends when to seek support.

Dealing with the Threat of a Nuclear Explosion

After recent events in the news, many families are considering how they can prepare for the threat of a nuclear explosion. Many Americans have questions about what a nuclear blast is and the steps that can be taken to protect oneself from radiation and fallout. A nuclear blast is an explosion with intense light and heat, a damaging pressure wave, and widespread radioactive material that can contaminate the air, water, and ground surfaces for miles around. People can protect themselves by limiting the time exposed to radiation, putting more distance between them and the source of radiation, and shielding themselves from the source.



Top Five Ways Security Vulnerabilities Hide in Your IT Systems



Failure to patch vulnerabilities has led to major breaches, including the mid-May breach of Equifax that led to the compromise of sensitive personal and financial information on more than 145 million Americans. The company failed to detect and patch servers vulnerable to a software flaw that had been disclosed two months earlier. While there is little data on which flaws companies are having the most problems patching, there are common situations among all companies that hobble their efforts to patch. Here are five areas to which organizations need to pay more attention.

Attacked by Ransomware? Here's What to Do



Forget about trying to stop ransomware from infecting your computers.

It's a losing battle. Attacked by Ransomware? Here's What to Do Instead, businesses should be coming up with detailed plans for responding to the inevitable attack by ransomware or other types of malware. And the need for preparation is more crucial today than ever before: 2017 saw the highest number of malware attacks on record. Ransomware incidents alone increased tenfold over the prior year.