



## Region II Individual and Community Preparedness Bulletin



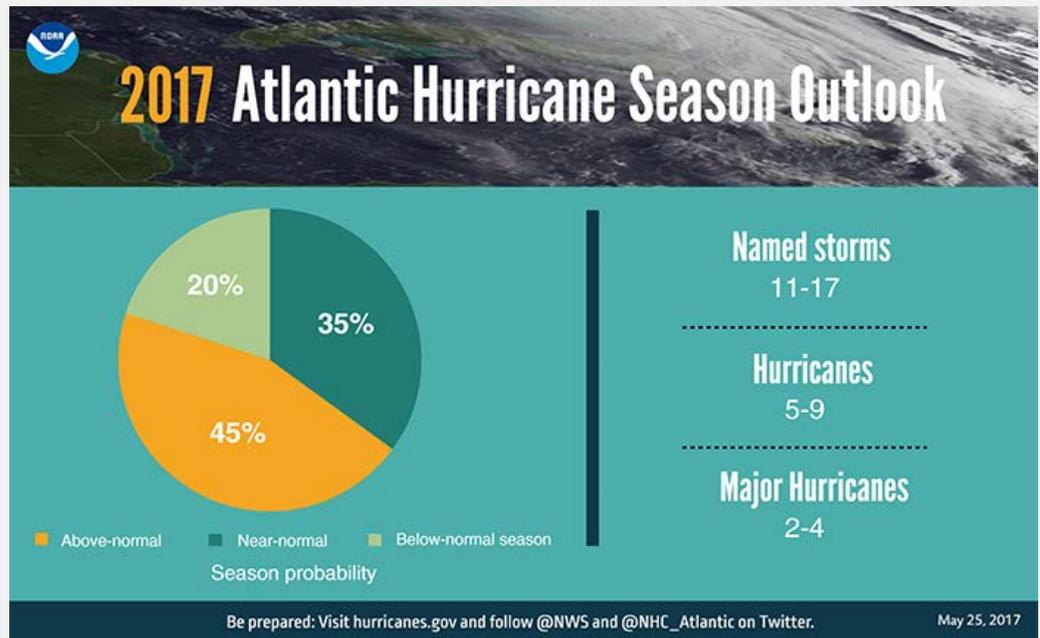
### It's Hurricane Season, Know Your Zone!

Individual and family preparedness makes coping with disaster easier. In some cases being prepared can make the difference between life and death. Regardless of the hazard or threat, individuals and families should follow advice from Ready.gov: Prepare, plan and stay informed.

Vulnerability to different threats and hazards may call for unique plans. Many hazards could prompt communities to take protective actions, such as advising or ordering residents to shelter in place or evacuate.

As hurricane season unfolds each year, a question I often hear is, "what should coastal residents do to prepare for hurricane season?"

While there are many ways individuals and families can prepare, the primary consideration for anyone vulnerable to coastal hurricane hazards is to know your hurricane evacuation zone. Coastal residents can often find out if their home is in a hurricane evacuation zone with a visit to their local emergency management office website. Travelers visiting coastal areas can search for hurricane evacuation information prior to their trip. Once you know if you're located in a hurricane evacuation zone, you can plan your family's primary and secondary evacuation routes and destinations.



When and if a hurricane approaches your community, stay informed by checking for evacuation orders from your local and state emergency management offices. If an evacuation order is given, don't hesitate.

The National Hurricane Program, an interagency partnership made up of FEMA, NOAA's National Hurricane Center and the US Army Corps of Engineers, works closely with states and local jurisdictions to support public hurricane evacuation planning. Some jurisdictions in Region II have robust public outreach resources for hurricane evacuation. Others are working closely with the National Hurricane Program to refine plans and provide more public guidance. The links below provide hurricane evacuation information for some Region II communities. Of course, don't hesitate to ask if you have any questions about your community's public hurricane evacuation guidance.

<http://www1.nyc.gov/assets/em/html/know-your-zone/knowyourzone.html>

<https://www.nassaucountyny.gov/1634/Hurricane-Preparedness>

<http://www.suffolkcountyny.gov/Departments/FireRescueandEmergencyServices/StormSurgeZoneShelterLocatorMap.aspx>

<http://www.state.nj.us/njoem/plan/evacuation-routes.html>

## **FEMA RII Student Internships**

**Prerequisites for intern positions now available at the Region II office.**

- Work Schedule: Part Time/Flexible
- Time Limit: 3-6 Months
- Salary: Unpaid/College Credit

### **Individual and Community Preparedness**

The Community Preparedness Intern will work under the supervision of the Community Preparedness Officer and/or the Integration Branch Chief, the intern will provide research, planning, and development of a series of preparedness programs. This graduate or undergraduate level internship will provide the student with an opportunity to gain experience in the Federal Government, Emergency Management, Community Development, and Partnership Coordination. The Community Preparedness Intern will also support the Community Preparedness Officer to plan, initiate, coordinate and execute the development of a Higher Education Preparedness Network, which will meet the needs of Region II states NJ and NY to build and support successful preparedness efforts.

### **Continuity of Operations**

The Intern will support the Continuity Manager to help coordinate and manage the continuity of operations program for Federal, State level (New Jersey, New York, Puerto Rico and Virgin Islands) and tribal, local governments within Region II states. The intern will help the Continuity Specialists build continuity programming between FEMA and the Continuity of Operations Working Groups (CWG) and will help organize, manage and facilitate training and exercise events, write policy papers, evaluate programs, develop plans, conduct outreach, instruct classes help identify gaps or weaknesses in pandemic and cyber security planning policies procedures and attend meetings.

### **Requirements**

- (1) Interns MUST be enrolled in a Graduate School or Undergraduate School in their Junior/Senior year.
- (2) Previous work or ongoing study at bachelor's level in public health, liberal arts, business, public administration, communications, training, economics, emergency management or public relations.

(3) Interns must be United States Citizens only (green card holders or those with student visas/work permits are not allowed).

(4) Accepted Interns must complete a background investigation and suitability of employment prior to start date (this process can take 4-6 weeks or longer).

**If interested please contact:**

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## Coming Soon in R2

### Resilient Workplace COOP Workshop

In light of recent events around the world, preparing for an active shooter incident is more important now than ever before. While we have all spent a considerable amount of time preparing for the response to an active shooter incident, FEMA and the Buffalo FEB would like to invite you to participate in a workshop to examine how, not only how we would respond to such an event, but also what challenges you may encounter recovering from it.

On **September 7, 2017**, the Buffalo FEB in partnership with the Federal Emergency Management Agency, will be hosting the Resilient Workplace COOP Workshop. The workshop will be held from 0830 to 1530 in Room 423, 130 South Elmwood Avenue. We invite your agency to attend this facilitated discussion on topics such as initial response actions, communication, human resources, continuity of operations, and public relations.

The workshop will consist of three modules:

1. Initial Actions
2. Continuity of Operations
3. Long-term Recovery Challenges

The format will be consist of informational presentations, case studies, and a scenario-based discussion.

To reserve a seat for this workshop please email [director@buffalofeb.org](mailto:director@buffalofeb.org)

### Exercise Design Course

The New Jersey Courts and 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 design steps
- Exercise evaluation
- Designing a functional exercise
- Exercise process
- Tabletop, functional and full scale exercises
- Exercise enhancements

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

**August 28-31, 2017 Daily: 0900-1530**

At American Red Cross, Greater NY 520 W. 49<sup>th</sup> St. NY, NY

**October 30-November 3, 2017 Daily: 0900-1530**

Burlington County Fire Academy, 53 Academy Dr., Westampton, NJ

**November 7-10, 2017 Daily: 0900-1530**

Holy Name Medical Center, 718 Teaneck Rd., Teaneck, NJ

**Registration:**

Dates	Partner Agency	How to Register
<b>August 28-31, 2017</b>	American Red Cross	<a href="https://fema.connectsolutions.com/r2hseepaug2017/event/registration.html">https://fema.connectsolutions.com/r2hseepaug2017/event/registration.html</a>
<b>October 30-November 3, 2017</b>	NJ Courts	Email Charles Coleman, <a href="mailto:Charles.colemand@njcourts.gov">Charles.colemand@njcourts.gov</a>
<b>November 7-November 10, 2017</b>	Holy Name Medical Center Institute for Simulation Learning	<a href="https://fema.connectsolutions.com/r2hseepnov17/event/registration.html">https://fema.connectsolutions.com/r2hseepnov17/event/registration.html</a>

## **Volunteers Needed Virtual Workshop for Houses of Worship**

In an attempt to broaden our reach with preparedness workshops and training, FEMA Region II is seeking your help with rolling out a Virtual Workshop series. It is envisioned that the virtual workshop approach will link various communities together from around the Region to learn, exchange lessons learned and best practices, and to strengthen their abilities to respond to and recover from various disasters.

The first virtual workshop topic will be **Active Shooter Incident for Houses of Worship**, and we are seeking organizations to volunteer to be a part of the first delivery to provide us with feedback.

**What is a “House of Worship”?:** For the purposes of these discussions, we would define a House of Worship as any public or private facility used for religiously-sponsored activities at the time of an incident. This includes commercial properties used as houses of worship at the time of the incident. Examples include, but are not limited to, churches, temples, synagogues, mosques, and related religious gathering and retreat facilities.

**Agenda:**

- Presentation: Case studies in Houses of Worship Incidents
- Presentation: Initial Actions – “Run... Hide... Fight”
- Discussion Module on Initial Actions
- Presentation: The Aftermath, What Happens Now?
- Discussion Module on Recovering from an Active Shooter Incident

**Dates:** September 5, 0900-1200 and September 25, 1800-2100

**Location:** Seeking volunteer Houses of Worship to host your community team either from your House of Worship or a suitable alternative location

**Who:** We encourage you to invite participation from within your House of Worship, such as religious leaders, ushers, teachers, counselors, community outreach coordinators, security, etc.; as well as your local police department. Participation is envisioned of perhaps 4 or 5 people, or even more if your organization is motivated.

**What You Need:** Only a computer with a microphone, preferably with a webcam, and an internet connection.

If interested, email Devin Kerins, Individual and Community Preparedness Officer, at [devin.kerins@fema.dhs.gov](mailto:devin.kerins@fema.dhs.gov) and let him know what date above you would like to participate in. He will provide you with more details on technological and logistical matters.

## **FEMA Region II Preparedness Webinar: Preparedness Planning for Senior Citizen Communities**

**Description:** The senior citizen population faces several unique challenges, coupled with the fact that many are often dependent upon others for basic necessities and psychosocial support. This dependency often increases their vulnerability to the impacts of major disasters, when not only are the seniors themselves impacted, but these critical services are also disrupted. Currently, 46.2 million people in the United States are 65 years old or older, with that number expected to increase each year. This population demographic made up 13.3% of the population in the 2011 Census. The ability to recover from an emergency tomorrow often depends on planning and preparation done today. This webinar will provide to older individuals and their caregivers, as well as to the local agencies who serve them, tools and information to assist them in assessing their needs and vulnerabilities so they can be better prepared to cope with emergencies.

**Speakers:** **Ms. Kathleen Otte** is the Regional Administrator for HHS Regions I and II for the U.S. Administration for Community Living (ACL). In this capacity, she represents the Administration and the Assistant Secretary on Aging on all matters related to the implementation of the Older Americans Act (OAA) and other aging related issues within the 8 states and 2 territories she oversees. Prior to joining AoA, Kathleen served as the Director of the Bureau of Elderly and Adult Services for the State of New Hampshire. Kathleen and the New Hampshire team designed and implemented a caregiver support program that received national distinction by winning the Regional Innovation Award from The Council of State Governments and developed the nation's first statewide 'Structured Decision Making' process for Adult Protective Services.

Kathleen has over 30 years' experience in the field of aging, having served or volunteered in various human service delivery programs. In 2014, Kathleen received the Spirit of Jane Addams Award for Outstanding Performance in Social Justice from Be the Evidence, International for her work with Elder Justice Initiatives.

**Rhonda Schwartz** is an Aging Services Program Specialist within the U.S. Department of Health & Human Services Administration for Community Living. Rhonda is assigned to the Regional Office located in Boston, MA, where she works with federal, state and tribal organizations in the region, with particular attention to oversight of the Older Americans Act state and tribal grant programs. Prior to joining ACL in July 2016, Rhonda spent more than seven years managing Older Americans Act and other ACL programs at the Rhode Island Division of Elderly Affairs. Rhonda previously practiced law for sixteen years, specializing in commercial real estate transactions, before pursuing a Masters Degree in Social Work, focusing on older adults.

**Date / Time:** September 26 2017, 12:00 – 1:00pm EDT

**Registration Link:** <https://fema.connectsolutions.com/r2seniorwebinar/event/registration.html>

## FEMA News

### President Meets with FEMA Administrator

On August 4, President Donald J. Trump, Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Acting Secretary Elaine Duke and other federal agency leaders joined Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Administrator Brock Long for a hurricane briefing, to discuss the nation's preparedness as the country approaches the peak of hurricane season.

Earlier this week, Administrator Long visited FEMA's Region 3 staff and leadership (covering the District of Columbia, Delaware, Maryland, Pennsylvania, and Virginia) to share ideas and identify opportunities for improvement.

On Tuesday, Administrator Long addressed the National Homeland Security Consortium, discussing FEMA's focus on preparedness and emerging threats.

This week, Administrator Long also met with U.S. Senate members on Capitol Hill to continue open dialogues on issues critical to FEMA, such as the National Flood Insurance Program.

### Get Ready for National Preparedness Month

The Ready Campaign recently released the September 2017 National Preparedness Month (NPM) theme and [social media toolkit](#), which includes graphics, hashtags, and social media content to share.

This year's theme is "Disasters Don't Plan Ahead. You Can." In addition to the overarching theme for the month, each week has a theme highlighting different preparedness actions.

The NPM 2017 Weekly Themes are as follows:

- Week 1: September 1-9 - Make a Plan for Yourself, Family and Friends.
- Week 2: September 10-16 - Plan to Help Your Neighbor and Community.
- Week 3: September 17-23 - Practice and Build Out Your Plans.
- Week 4: September 24-30 - Get Involved! Be a Part of Something Larger.

## FEMA Tribal Outreach and Consultation Period on FEMA Tribal Consultation Policy

FEMA will initiate a 90-day outreach and consultation period from **June 1 to August 29, 2017**, to seek input from federally recognized Indian tribal governments on the update of the agency's Tribal Consultation Policy. The [FEMA Tribal Consultation Policy](#), first issued in 2014, acknowledges the agency's nation-to-nation relationship with tribal governments. The policy also guides how FEMA engages tribal governments in regular and meaningful consultation and collaboration on policy and actions that have tribal implications.

This consultation period aims to update the policy to reflect current authorities and best practices, as well as follow FEMA's new policy document format requirements. FEMA seeks input and feedback from tribal leaders, or their designees, during the consultation period to help inform the development of an updated policy.

Visit FEMA's [Tribal Affairs](#) web page for more information on the tribal consultation period for this policy.

## EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS TIPS

### FEMA Region II—Hurricane Tips 1

#### Watch

- Hurricane conditions **possible**
- Issued 48 hours in advance
- Begin preparing home
- Check batteries, water, first aid kits
- Review potential evacuation plan
- Look for instructions on how to prepare or to evacuate from officials (tv, radio, apps)

#### Warning

- Hurricane conditions **expected**
- Issued 36 hours in advance
- Complete storm preparedness
- Listen to warnings from local officials about scale of storm
- Follow directions to evacuate if necessary, taking pets with you if possible

For more information, please go to <https://oceanservice.noaa.gov/facts/watch-warning.html>

# FEMA Region II—Hurricane Tips 2

## During a Hurricane:

### If you are staying home, here's what you should do:



- Unplug all electronic devices and appliances, regardless of whether you stay or evacuate
- Remove air conditioner fuses to prevent surge damage

- Monitor tv or radio for updates.
- Stay away from windows & doors, bathtubs can provide shelter if you cover yourself
- Evacuate to shelter if your home is damaged or you are instructed to by emergency officials
- If it is not necessary, do not go outside



## Important Deadlines

### Apply for the 2018 National Emergency Management Executive Academy

FEMA's EMI is now accepting application packages for the 2018 National Emergency Management Executive Academy. Ideally, candidates will have experience as senior executives of major emergency management organizations, served on major commissions and task forces, or be responsible for decisions that have a significant effect on homeland security and emergency management policies.

Applications will be accepted through **August 15, 2017**. There are a limited number of seats and enrollment is competitive. For more information on the Executive Academy and the application and selection process, visit [www.training.fema.gov/EMPP/executive.asp](http://www.training.fema.gov/EMPP/executive.asp).

### Comments Needed for Draft Policy on Floodplain Development

FEMA prepared a draft policy for FEMA staff and communities participating in the NFIP to update guidance for participating communities on satisfying National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) floodplain development permit requirements, and to address questions about floodplain permitting of development activities occurring in the FEMA designated Special Flood Hazard Areas (SFHA). Through this policy, a community can ensure compliance with NFIP and local floodplain management

regulations, while potentially reducing the administrative burden associated with permitting certain types of low-to-no impact development in the floodplain.

This guidance does not intend to address other permits associated with building codes, or other federal, state, local, tribal, or territorial permits, and only applies to floodplain development permitting requirements to enroll in, and maintain eligibility for, the NFIP. The draft policy is available for review on FEMA's website at: <https://www.fema.gov/media-library/assets/documents/131010>, and the public is invited to provide comment and input via [FEMA-Floodplain-Management-Division@fema.dhs.gov](mailto:FEMA-Floodplain-Management-Division@fema.dhs.gov) until **August 23, 2017**.

## EDUCATIONAL / TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

### FEMA EMI Training Opportunity Virtual Tabletop Exercise Series- Earthquake

September 19, 20 & 21 2017, Virtual Exercise – Multiple Locations

#### Exercise Description:

This Virtual Tabletop Exercises (VTTX) will focus on an earthquake occurring in your community, using historical events and Hazus simulations.

The VTTX involves key personnel discussing simulated scenarios in an informal setting, and can be used to assess plans, policies, training, and procedures. This VTTX differs from other tabletop exercises in that it will be conducted using Video-Teleconference (VTC) technology (not a web-based program), and is intended to provide an opportunity for responders across the Nation to simultaneously participate in a hazard-specific facilitated discussion. Lead facilitation for the exercise will be coordinated by EMI, with local facilitation provided by the participating agency.

Read more in [Training Opportunity 1314](#).

### National Emergency Management Executive Academy Training Opportunity

Course Description: The National Emergency Management Executive Academy is a component of the Emergency Management Professional Program (EMPP).

The Emergency Management Institute (EMI) created the National Emergency Management Executive Academy to produce a comprehensive and cutting-edge curriculum that provides the setting for senior emergency management executives to come together to explore and confront contemporary and emerging 21st century challenges. The program hones strategic leadership and critical thinking for senior executives involved with multi-jurisdictional, national, and international homeland security and emergency management policy development and decision making responsibilities.

The program is a competency-based graduate-level executive education experience. That requires working collaboratively on projects and participating in activities with a capstone team to address some of the wicked problems in the emergency management field. Suggestions for a specific emergency management challenge to be addressed by an executive cohort as an Executive Academy capstone project may be submitted to <https://training.fema.gov/empp/executive.aspx>.

## **NEMEA 2017 Schedule**

### **E0686, Executive EM Leaders Core Competencies III 4 days**

Facilitating Community Risk Ownership, Civics/Governance Considerations, Political Skills, Influence Skills

**Dates:** September 18 – 21, 2017

**Location:** Emmitsburg, MD

Registration is required. All classes will be held in the Office of the Chief Component Human Capital Officer (OCCHCO) Training Suite, 500 C Street, 7 SW. For more information, please email: [edu@fema.dhs.gov](mailto:edu@fema.dhs.gov) or visit the OCCHCO training page

## **All-Hazards Position Specific Train-the-Trainer Classes Course Vacancy Announcement:**

Please be advised that openings remain in upcoming All-Hazards Position Specific train-the-trainer (TtT) classes for the 2nd Semester of FY 2017. The classes for which openings remain are below:

E-949 – Communication Unit Leader TtT

Aug. 14-16, 2017

E-974 – Finance/Administration Section Chief TtT

Sept. 11-13, 2017

E-953 – Public Information Officer TtT

Sept. 25-29, 2017

Read more in [Training Bulletin1318](#).

## **National Public Health Information Coalition**

The National Public Health Information Coalition and Society for Health Communication is pleased to announce the eleventh annual National Conference on Health Communication, Marketing, and Media.

This conference brings together individuals representing academia, public health researchers and practitioners from federal and state government and the private sector, and provides a forum for collegial dialogue within and across these disciplines. The conference is an excellent opportunity to meet with colleagues and shape the future of health communication, marketing, and media practice.

**Dates:** August 15-17, 2017

**Location:** Atlanta, GA

## **Small Business Development Center at Kean University: Cybersecurity classes**

Every day the media reports new cybersecurity attacks on large, well-known companies. What is not reported are the growing number of small businesses that are being targeted. It's a common misconception that hackers primarily target organizations and business. The reality is the risky behavior of individuals, whether intentional or not, is what often leads to security breaches.

Keep your business safe from cyber threats. We offer two free interactive courses and a downloadable cybersecurity workbook.

Go to <https://www.sbdckean.com/training/cybersecurity-readiness/> for online courses

## OTHER NEWS

### Prepare for the Solar Eclipse

On August 21, the United States will be experiencing the first total solar eclipse since 1991 and the first to move across the entire mainland of the country since 1918.

A solar eclipse happens when the moon passes in between the earth and the sun. While this rare occurrence may be exciting, safety is a concern. Looking directly at the sun during an eclipse could severely hurt your eyes.

Protect your eyes and view the eclipse safely with these tips from the [National Weather Service](#):

- Make sure to wear special solar filtered sunglasses if you plan to stare directly at the eclipse.
- It is only safe to stare at the sun during the eclipse when the moon is totally covering the sun. This only happens for a brief period and will only occur in a very narrow path about 70 miles wide from Oregon to South Carolina.
- You can also safely view the eclipse through a solar filtered telescope or Welder's glass #14 and darker.
- If you are going camping to view the eclipse, visit the [U.S. Forest Service](#) website for safety tips. Also, check [www.weather.gov](http://www.weather.gov) for signs of low humidity and high temperatures, which are a recipe for wildfires.



For more information on the solar eclipse or for a solar eclipse party kit, visit [eclipse2017.nasa.gov/safety](http://eclipse2017.nasa.gov/safety).

### OSHA-NIOSH Heat Safety Tool App Available

Created by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the [OSHA NIOSH Heat Safety Tool](#) is now available for smart phones, iPads, iPods, tablets, etc. Take precautions against outdoor heat while at work with this new app, featuring real-time heat index and hourly forecasts, specific to your location. It also offers occupational safety and health recommendations from OSHA and NIOSH. The OSHA-NIOSH Safety Tool is a useful resource for planning outdoor work activities based on the heat throughout the day. The app is free to download on the App store or Google Play, depending on your device.



## IAEM Launches Scholarships for Part-Time Grad Students



The IAEM Scholarship Commission announces a part-time student scholarship for graduate students also involved in emergency management or disaster management through employment or volunteer activities. This program is a trial program and will be evaluated prior to continuance in future years. The goal of the program is to assist hard-working deserving students who are working on an advanced degree in emergency management, disaster management, or closely related program of study. The [application and instructions](#) are available now on the IAEM website. Completed applications and all supporting documentation must be submitted via email to [shiley@iaem.com](mailto:shiley@iaem.com) by **11:59 p.m. EDT on Aug. 31, 2017**.



## Law Enforcement Partnerships: Creating Stronger Communities and Safer Houses of Worship

August 15, 2017, 2-3pm EDT

This webinar will discuss partnership models and tools that increase collaboration between faith-based organizations, community organizations and law enforcement. This includes a special presentation on how faith-based organizations and law enforcement can work together using the [Safeguarding Houses of Worship Mobile App](#). We encourage all who want to receive a recording to [register](#) and share with your networks. Be sure to test your [Adobe Connect connection](#) prior to the meeting. This webinar will offer captioning.

## EMI Flood Virtual TTX

September 18 – 21, 2017

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Facilitating Community Risk Ownership, Civics/Governance Considerations, Political Skills, Influence Skills

Location: Emmitsburg, MD

## EMI Training Opportunity Virtual TTX Series

September 5, 6 & 7, 2017

**V-0001 - Virtual Tabletop Exercise Series (VTTX) – Chlorine Release** Virtual Exercise – Multiple Locations

September 19, 20 & 21 2017

**V-0001 - Virtual Tabletop Exercise Series (VTTX) – Earthquake** Virtual Exercise – Multiple Locations.

For more information contact **Douglas M. Kahn**, [douglas.kahn@fema.dhs.gov](mailto:douglas.kahn@fema.dhs.gov)

## **EMI Training E-Forums: Wednesdays in August**

FEMA's Emergency Management Institute (EMI) will host e-forms entitled: "One Link, One Bridge, Many Voices." In August, EMI is offering e-forms every Wednesday. 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. 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.

**August 9, 2017 at 3-4pm Eastern Time**

The Emergency Management Professional Program: Bringing the Whole Community Together

**August 16, 2017 at 3-4pm Eastern Time**

Public Information Officers: Training Builds Capability We are Proud of

**August 23, 2017 at 3-4pm Eastern Time**

Improving Local Recovery: Training as a Success Maker

**August 30, 2017 at 3-4pm Eastern Time**

State Training Officer and State Admin Agent TPOC: Working Together Achieves Better Outcomes

Participants can sign into the August webinars via [Adobe Connect](#) or dial in via conference call at 800-320-4330, PIN 107622 For questions, [contact EMI](#).

## **This Week's Must Reads**

### **Breaking the Link Between Extreme Weather and Poverty**

#### ***The World Bank***

In this news release, the World Bank announces the publication of a [report](#) it developed in collaboration with the Global Facility for Disaster Reduction and Recovery about the relationship of natural disasters to poverty around the world, and about ways that nations can help reduce the risk posed by natural disasters for people living in poverty. The release features a video overview, an infographic, and highlights of report findings and policy recommendations. This resource, along with the full report, will be useful to anyone interested in understanding more about how poverty affects how communities experience disasters and how policies can heighten disaster resilience for people in poverty. *For more information, click the title or [click here](#).*

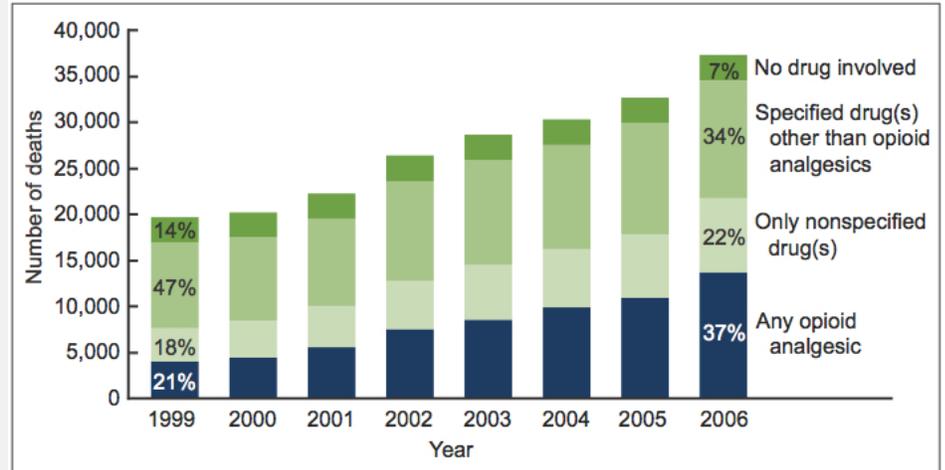


# Declared States of Emergency Opioid Crisis, Fact Sheet

**Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, Network for Public Health Law**

This three-page fact sheet provides a brief summary of the emergency declarations related to opioid use in six states. High rates of morbidity and mortality among Americans related to opioid use constitute a public health epidemic, leading multiple jurisdictions to declare formal states of emergency or public health emergency. An accompanying primer provides a visual snapshot and synopses of state- and tribal-based emergency declarations across the U.S. based on currently available information. *For more information, click the title or [click here](#).*

Figure 1. Poisoning deaths involving opioid analgesics, other drugs, and no drugs: United States, 1999–2006



NOTE: Access data table for Figure 1 at [ftp://ftp.cdc.gov/pub/Health\\_Statistics/NCHS/Publications/Data\\_Briefs/db022/fig01.xls](ftp://ftp.cdc.gov/pub/Health_Statistics/NCHS/Publications/Data_Briefs/db022/fig01.xls).  
SOURCE: CDC/NCHS, National Vital Statistics System.