

Healthcare Incident Command System (HICS): Application for Community Health Centers

Dates: Thursday, March 1 and Thursday, March 29, 2018

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Get hands-on training for your Center's Emergency Planning Team incorporating the Incident Command System (ICS) into your Emergency Operations Plan (EOP) and customizing ICS tools for your Center's use. The training starts with a 90-minute webinar on key incident management concepts for FQHCs, based on the Healthcare Incident Command System (HICS) model, including how it is incorporated into the EOP. After the webinar, the team will have a one-month project period to update portions of the EOP and customize HICS tools for their center. Technical assistance will be available to Center teams as needed during the project period. The course will close with a final 90-minute webinar where teams share their project experiences followed by a presentation on how to draft and execute a workplace exercise to test utilization of HICS. This training is a collaboration between the New England Public Health Training Center, the DelValle Institute for Emergency Preparedness and Maine Primary Care Association.

Course Learning Objectives

- Discuss the importance and purpose of utilizing HICS to manage the response to an incident.
- Discuss how HICS is incorporated into the organizational Emergency Operations Plan (EOP).
- Describe the primary functions and management principles of HICS.
- Recognize the key HICS tools and forms used in incident management.
- Update the organizational EOP to enhance the use of HICS when the plan is activated
- Select HICS tools and forms to be used within the organization and adapt them as necessary
- Provide examples of common challenges updating an organizational EOP and associated HICS tools.
- Identify initial steps to draft an exercise to test the use of HICS in a simulated EOP activation.
- Locate resources to support the design and execution of an exercise.

Prerequisites

- IS-100.HCb, Introduction to the Incident Command System for Healthcare/Hospitals
- Recommended: IS-700.a, National Incident Management System (NIMS), An Introduction
- CHC facility must have an EOP and team participants must be able to use the plan for course activities

Duration of Training: Estimated at 5 hours - 3 hours total for 2 webinars and 2 hours or more for team project to update organizational EOP be completed between webinars.

Target audience: Center personnel who have a direct role in emergency preparedness planning and response as well as key decision-making staff such as executive directors, operations managers, office managers and facility staff. Teams of 3 to 5 staff or more from each center are encouraged. Each team should appoint a leader to coordinate the project.

- **Webinar 1:** March 1 from 11 AM to 12:30 PM
- **Project Period:** March 2 to March 28
- **Webinar 2:** March 29 from 11 AM to 12:30 PM

Completion: Participants must attend both webinars and participate in the team project in order to receive a NEPHTC Certificate of Completion.

Registration is limited!

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