

Region 6 Healthcare Coalition

Weekly Update



What: *Region 6 HCC Basic Disaster Life Support*

Who: *All Region 6 Partners*

When: *January 6th, 2023*

12:00—4:00 PM

Where: *Montcalm Twp ISD*

621 New St, Stanton Mi 48888

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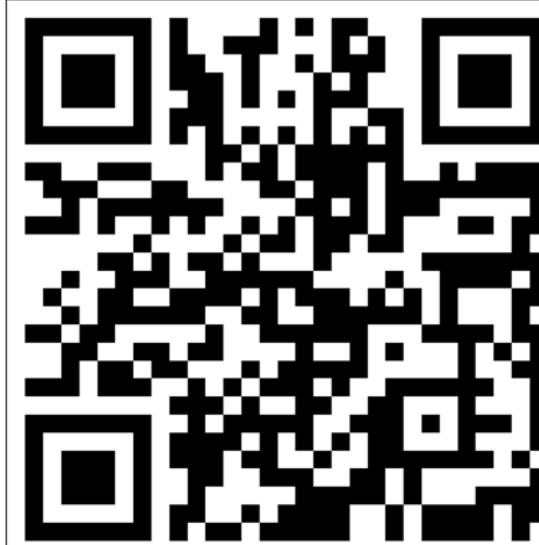
When: *November 4, 2022*

4:00 pm—8:00 pm

Where: *Alpine Township Fire Department*

1100 Henze St NW

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The Grand Rapids Office of Emergency Management will be hosting and facilitating three sessions of ICS 300 this fall. **If you hold a role in the Emergency Operations Center (EOC) or in any response in the field during or afternoon an emergency/disaster, this class is essential. Spots are still available.**

Please share this training opportunity to anyone in your department/organization that would like to take this and/or would benefit from this course.

Class options are below. If you are interested and have personnel who need to take this course, please have them register on MI-TRAIN. Registration instructions are attached. Registration closes approximately 1 full week before the first class.

Registration Portal: <https://www.train.org/mi-train/home>

All three classes will be held at the GRFD Training Center (1101 Monroe Ave NW, Grand Rapids)

Pick between one of the three timeframe options:

Class 1 (hours split between the following dates): **9 seats available**

- Wednesday, September 21 8am to 5pm
- Friday, September 23 8am to 5pm
- Wednesday, September 28 8am to 2pm

Class 2 (hours split between the following dates): **15 seats available**

- Thursday, September 22 8am to 5pm
- Wednesday, October 5 8am to 5pm
- Wednesday, October 12 8am to 2pm

Class 3 (hours split between the following dates): **8 seats available**

- Thursday, October 6 8am to 5pm
- Monday, October 17 8am to 5pm
- Monday, October 24 8am to 2pm

ICS-300 provides an in-depth focus on the NIMS Incident Command System (ICS) that includes the tools, practices, and procedures that are available in ICS to effectively manage emergency incidents or planned local events at a local Type 3 level. Expanding upon ICS-100 and -200, this course ensures that responders understand the basic ICS concepts that allow an incident management organization to expand and contract as needed to fit the incident and maintain its operational effectiveness.

Specific Course Topics

- *Roles and Responsibilities*
- *Initial response activities*
- *Staffing and organizing*
- *Relationships and interactions with staff and other stakeholders*
- *Executive-level interactions*
- *Command's direction*
- *Exercise Learning Components*
- *Meetings, Briefings and Support Activities*
- *IAP Prep and Approval*
- *Executing Plan and Assessing Progress*
- *External Coordination*
- *Transitioning and Demobilization*



Thursday, September 15, 2022 | 12:00PM EST
WebEx Events Platform

The Detroit Field Division of the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) is pleased to host the Lunch and Learn Online Series "Empowering Healthcare Professionals." These are monthly, LIVE Virtual 30-minute sessions where DEA speakers and special guests present and review information, regulations, and procedures related to the proper handling, dispensing, manufacture, distribution, and prescribing of Controlled Substances to prevent diversion and help reduce drug overdoses and deaths in Michigan and Ohio.

Topic: The Effects of the Opioid Crisis in Medicaid/Medicare:
Diversion of Prescription Drugs

Speaker: Michael Cohen, Office of Investigations, Office of Inspector General, US Department of Health and Human Services

Registration is required. There is no registration fee and capacity is limited to the first 1,000 attendees. This is a LIVE event and not recorded. This program is informational and not for credit.

[Register for WebEx Event](#)

Any questions regarding this event may be directed to Diversion Outreach Coordinator via email at: DEADetroitDiversionOutreach@dea.gov

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Emergency Medical Services for Children
Innovation and Improvement Center



*** Save the Date ***

Preparing for the Needs of Children in Disasters: The Pediatric Disaster Preparedness Checklist

- Disasters of all types often involve children
- Children are not little adults – they have unique physical and psychosocial needs
- Most emergency departments do not have disaster plans that address the specific needs of children¹

Are you ready to meet the needs of children during and after a disaster?

The Emergency Medical Services for Children (EMSC) Innovation and Improvement Center (EIIIC) and the ASPR Center of Excellence Region V for Kids is collaborating with the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services, Bureau of EMS, Trauma and Preparedness and 8 Michigan Healthcare Coalitions to host this 3-part education series. Participants will learn from EIIIC subject matter experts how to use the new [Pediatric Disaster Preparedness Checklist](#) to better prepare their institutions to meet the needs of children during disasters.

- **August 30, 2022: Children and Youth with Special Health Care Needs**
- **September 27, 2022: Pediatric Patient Tracking & Family Reunification**
- **October 25, 2022: Pediatric Surge Capacity**

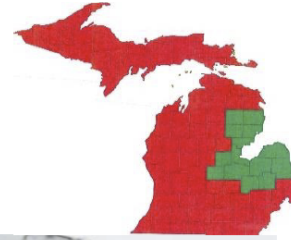
All sessions will run from 2:00 pm – 3:00 pm Eastern Time

THERE IS NO COST TO REGISTER! Register Today!

To register, complete this survey: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/MIpedchecklist>

Questions? Contact EIIIC at disaster@emscimprovement.center

1. Gausche-Hill, Marianne, Ely, Michael, Schmuhl, Patricia, Telford, Russell, Remick, Katherine E., Edgerton, Elizabeth A., et al. (2015). A National Assessment of Pediatric Readiness of Emergency Departments. *JAMA Pediatrics*, 169(6), 527-534. doi:10.1001/jamapediatrics.2015.138. Retrieved from <https://doi.org/10.1001/jamapediatrics.2015.138>



PEDIATRIC DISASTER RESPONSE AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS MGT-439

**Double Tree by Hilton Hotel Bay City-Riverfront
One Wenonah Park Place
Bay City, MI 48708**

**October 18th & 19th, 2022
8:00AM to 5:00PM**
(Sign-in will start at 7:30AM each day of the course)

The 2010 report by the National Commission on Children and Disasters identified a training gap for emergency responders, first receivers, and emergency management personnel that reduced their effectiveness in responding to pediatric patients and their unique needs/considerations. This two-day course addresses pediatric emergency planning and medical response considerations through a combination of lectures, small group exercises, and a table-top exercise.

UP EMS Conference -- October 6-8, 2022

The 41st Annual UP EMS Conference will be held at The Northern Center on October 6-8, 2022. Those interested in attending may register through the conference platform [here](#).

Online Burn Surge Facility (BSF) Training 2022 -- November 8, 2022

In order to protect partners from exposure to COVID-19, the SBCC will be continuing to conduct 2022 Burn Surge Facility Training online. The SBCC is confident attendees will obtain the information they need to participate in mass casualty burn care. Training will run from 8:00am to 2:30pm. This meeting is intended for HCC leadership, burn surge facilities and burn centers.

Participants will also need to complete **ABLS Online** before the Burn Surge Facility Training online course **and send the completion certificate to Sarah Parviz** (separviz@med.umich.edu) at the SBCC. After returning the attached registration form, you will receive the following:

- A ZOOM link for training day presentations
- A link for ABLIS Online

Please feel free to contact Sarah Parviz (separviz@med.umich.edu) with any questions or concerns. To register, please complete the attached form and email to: Sarah Parviz at (separviz@med.umich.edu).

[5-23-22 2022 Burn Surge Training Course Registration Form.docx](#)

Pediatric Readiness Conference – January 24 and 25, 2023

Please share the below 2023 Pediatric Readiness Conference Save the Date with HCC members. The Conference is scheduled for January 24 and 25, 2023. Topics will include experiences from the Oxford School Shooting, Family Reunification, Pediatric Behavioral Health and other timely pediatric topics. Credits for nurses, physicians and others will be offered. More information is coming soon!

[2023 Pediatric Readiness Conference Approved.pdf](#)

Dealing with Misinformation and Disinformation

This advisory from the US Surgeon General may help inform local and regional planning efforts: Confronting Health Misinformation: US Surgeon General's Advisory (2021) <https://www.hhs.gov/sites/default/files/surgeon-general-misinformation-advisory.pdf>.

Webinar Reminder: Pediatric Disaster Preparedness Makes a Difference – September 14

The American Academy of Pediatrics Council on Children and Disasters presents National Preparedness Month webinar, Pediatric Disaster Preparedness Makes a Difference on Wednesday, September 14, 2022 from 3:00 – 4:00 pm EST. This webinar will highlight pediatric disaster planning tools from the Emergency Medical Services for Children Innovation and Improvement Center ([EMSC EIIC](#)), [Region V for Kids](#), Western Regional Alliance for Pediatric Emergency Management ([WRAP-EM](#)), and future projects from the Regional Pediatric Pandemic Network ([RPPN](#)).

Please plan to attend! This is a wonderful way to learn about and strengthen regional collaborations and disaster management strategies. [REGISTER here](#). For questions or more information, please email DisasterReady@aap.org

All Pediatric Office Hours - Reminder

Pediatric Office hours are open to all hospital staff not just the Pediatric Champions. Please ensure that the save-the-dates are being sent to all Peds Champions and they know to share with their colleagues. We will resume the “regular” ED Pediatric Champion Office Hours in November. If you have any questions, please contact Lauren (kortel@michigan.gov).

Region 6 BDLS:

November 4th, 2022 – Alpine Township Fire Department (IN PERSON) 4p-8p

January 6, 2023- Stanton ISD (In Person) 12p – 4p
www.miregion6.org

State BDLS:

September 26, 2022 1-5 p (Virtual)

November 4, 1-5 p (Virtual)

March 16, 2023 1-5 (Virtual)

April 18, 2023 1-5 (Virtual)

Contact Judy Wheeler at judy.wheeler@med.wmich.edu to sign up for the state BDLS courses.

Long Term Care Reporting Webinar: Upcoming Changes to Vaccination Definitions – September 21, 2022

The CDC National Healthcare Safety Network (NHSN) Vaccination Unit is providing a webinar on Wednesday, September 21, 2022, from 1:00 – 2:00 PM Eastern Time to review the up-to-date COVID-19 vaccination definition change for long-term care facilities reporting data through the COVID-19 Vaccination Modules. The new definition incorporates the updated (bivalent) booster and applies to reporting weeks beginning on September 26, 2022 for quarter 4 of 2022. The CDC NHSN will also review example scenarios and discuss frequently asked questions.

When: Wednesday, September 21, 2022 at 1:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Topic: Up to Date Vaccination Status: Surveillance Definition Change for COVID-19 Vaccination Modules: Long-term Care Facilities

Register in advance for this webinar: https://cdc.zoomgov.com/webinar/register/WN_y8m5M-umThesAFcgLReG_g

Annual Statewide Tornado Drill will be March 22, 2023 at 1pm

There will be an Annual Statewide Tornado Drill on March 22, 2023 at 1pm. During the drill participants will hear alerts on NOAA Weather Radios, TV and radio stations. Healthcare coalitions and their members are encouraged to participate.

Save the Date for the Great Lakes Homeland Security Training and Expo in Grand Rapids at the DeVos Center May 9 - 11, 2023

The Great Lakes Homeland Security Training and Expo will be held in Grand Rapids at the DeVos Center May 9 to May 11, 2023. look for more information to come.

Emergency Medical Response in a Burn Disaster

The Emergency Medical Response in a Burn Disaster video has been placed on the new State Burn Coordinating Center website (<http://michiganburn.org>), under Training Modules, Specialty Care then EMS Response. There are no credits associated with the video as it does not meet the requirements

Frontline Strong Together: Mental Health Resources for First Responders

Frontline Strong Together was created in support of Police Officers, Fire Fighters, EMS, Correctional Officers, and their immediate families (FST5). FST5 is the result of collaboration between mental health professionals and first responders. This project aims to help first responders and their families overcome invisible injuries and stress caused by the difficulties of their professions, and to improve the quality of their life and prosperity. The website (<https://fst5.org/>) provides resources, a list of providers with experience in working with first responders, training and more. Check out the website for all the great resources.

EMResource, EMSupply, EMTrack, and Juvare Events Routine Maintenance

In our ongoing efforts to improve the quality and performance of our solutions, routine maintenance on **EMResource**, **EMSupply**, **EMTrack**, and **Juvare Events** is scheduled for **Wednesday, September 7, 2022**, between **6:00 AM** and **7:00 AM Eastern Time**. During this time, these solutions may be unavailable for a brief period.

For more information, please contact your Client Success Manager (CSM) or the Juvare Support Center.

Thank you for being a valued client.

Juvare Support Center

support@juvare.com
877-771-0911



Region 6 News:

As the summer winds down, the weather threats are “heating up” (see what it did there 😊). Now is a great time to dust off all your weather-related plans and review them for the upcoming winter season. We would like to recommend you specifically look at your power outage plan, communications plan, and your loss of HVAC plans. Also, for good measure, maybe your evacuation plans... We can never be too careful.

As a reminder, we will be sending out a contact list survey. Please take a moment and complete the survey. This goes a long way in helping us meet our MDHHS and ASPR requirements.

Finally, there are two documents added to this newsletter specific for our Community Healthcare Providers. The first one is a letter from MDHHS regarding the emergency staffing program and the second is regarding free fit test kits from the state. Please forward this documentation to anyone who may need it.

Thank you



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ELIZABETH HERTEL
DIRECTOR

September 19, 2022

Dear MDHHS Emergency Preparedness Partners:

As you know, the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (the Department) has been providing crisis staffing supports to long-term care facilities across the State who have experienced acute staffing crisis resulting from COVID-19. MDHHS recognizes the staffing challenges facing Skilled Nursing Facilities and other long-term care facilities have been exacerbated by COVID-19 and we are committed to helping facilities stabilize their staffing needs with available resources.

To ensure the Department can efficiently manage the resources available to them, and to support all nursing facilities in the State, beginning October 1, 2022, Skilled Nursing Facilities will be **limited to one 10-day crisis staffing deployment per State of Michigan fiscal year.** Facilities requiring support longer than ten days, or more than one deployment, will have the option of paying for additional crisis team support by establishing their own contract with the new state staffing vendor, ATC Healthcare. As always, facilities are encouraged to establish their own relationships with staffing vendors that serve their facility type. Currently, this policy will not apply to facilities licensed as Adult Foster Care or Homes for the Aged.

To support expanding contracting agencies, a list of vendors that have reached out to the Department indicating they have clinical staff available is attached. Facilities are welcome to contact these vendors and establish their own staffing contracts.

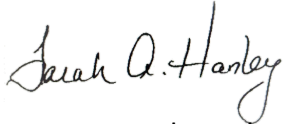
Additionally, MDHHS can provide contact information for RapidStaff, the subcontractor working with AMN Healthcare, who has also provided the staff for the Mobile Crisis Teams. We know facilities are diligently working to solve these issues and these agencies may be able to provide longer term supports.

The process for requesting crisis staffing will not change as we have greatly appreciated our Regional Health Care Coalition Coordinators' assistance in triaging requests for support. Please feel free to share this information with Skilled Nursing Facilities when they request assistance. MDHHS will be implementing an agreement with each facility that requests their one-time staffing support that details roles and responsibilities and describes this new policy. All facilities

requesting assistance will be required to sign the agreement before staff can be deployed. A copy of each of the agreements (one for SNFs and one for HFAs/AFCs) will be shared prior to October 1, 2022.

We continue to be a committed partner in ensuring our long-term care facility residents across the State remain in a safe and healthy environment. Please feel free to reach out to Nicole Hudson at HUDSONN2@michigan.gov with any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Farah Q. Hanley". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looped "H" and "y".

Farah Hanley
Chief Deputy for Health

[Order Form: Free Respiratory Fit Kits for Nursing Facilities, Assisted Living Facilities, and other Long-Term Care Facilities](#)

The Michigan Department of Health and Human Services will be providing free qualitative fit testing apparatus kits and Michigan Occupational Safety and Health Administration (MIOSHA) trainings to ensure respiratory protection standards are met throughout the State. These fit testing kits are for use with respirators and include a hood, collar, 2 nebulizers, bitter tasting sensitivity solution, bitter tasting fit test solution and laminated user instructions.

To request these free respirator fit kits for your facility, we ask that the facility's Infection Preventionist (or other designated facility employee) complete [this order form](#). The individual completing this form (or their designee) will serve as the point of contact for the respirator test kit training that will be scheduled at a later date. That training, arranged through the MIOSHA, will be a train-the-trainer opportunity for 2-3 employees (i.e., the program administrator for the respiratory program and their back-up).

Completing this order form is the first in a two-step process: (1) Once you complete and submit this form, kits will be shipped to the contact you identified at the shipping address you provided. (2) The information you submitted in this order form will then be forwarded, by MDHHS, to the MIOSHA to formally request, on behalf of your facility, respiratory training. You will, then, be contacted by a representative of the MIOSHA to coordinate a training date.

