

Region 6 Healthcare Coalition

Weekly Update

Region 6 News:

There are just a few things to add this week:

- The R6 MRSE information went out on Tuesday, 10/25/2022. If you want to be a part of the MRSE and did not receive the email, please contact laurner@wrrmc.org to sign up.
- BDLS and Stop the BLEED is next week. If you or anyone you know are interested in joining the class, please have them sign up using the QR code on the next pages.
- Hospitals- Please look at the survey regarding HICS in the pages below. This is a great opportunity to share your opinions on a large scale.

As reported in our coalition meeting, COVID, RSV and the Flu are all popping up in our community. Please take a moment to review you plans and supplies. Please remember to contact the MCC if your situation may need assistance from outside partners.

If you have have any questions or concerns, please contact Laurner@wrrmc.org or tdickman@wrrmc.org.



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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SAVE A LIFE

What: *Stop the Bleed*

Who: *All (Public and Regional Partners)*

When: *November 4th, 2022*

2:00—3:30 PM AND 8:00—9:30 PM

Where: *Alpine Township Fire Department*

1100 Henze De, Comstock Park, MI 49321

This in-person, hands-on class teaches the basics of identifying and treating life-threatening bleeding using tourniquets, wound packing and pressure dressings. This course is offered to all people, medically trained or not, as an effort to combat adverse outcomes due to severe bleeding. This course is being hosted by the Michigan Region 6 Healthcare Coalition and Alpine Township Fire Department.





What: *Region 6 HCC Basic Disaster Life Support*

Who: *All Region 6 Partners*

When: *November 4, 2022*

4:00 pm—8:00 pm

Where: *Alpine Township Fire Department*

1100 Henze St NW

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Basic Disaster Life Support™ version 3.2 (BDLS®)

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The BDLS course is designed to engage participants through interactive scenarios and group discussion. The goal is to teach a common lexicon, vocabulary, and knowledge base. Knowledge gained in the course can then be reinforced and expanded through application in the Advanced Disaster Life Support™ (ADLS®) course.

The BDLS course is aimed at a broad range of audiences that share a likelihood of providing clinical care and assistance to casualties during a disaster or public health emergency.

Courses: **11-04-2022 1300-1700 EST**
03-16-2023 1300-1700 EST
04-08-2023 0800-1200 EST
09-08-2023 0800-1200 EST
10-06-2023 1300-1700 EST

Target Audience: Physicians, Nurses, PAs, EMTs, Paramedics, Pharmacists, Allied Health Professionals, Medical students and Disaster Response Professionals

Contact
judy.wheeler@med.wmich.edu if
Interested in attending.

Pre-requisites: None

Place: Virtual (MS TEAMS)

Course Credits: 8 MDHHS EMS CEUs
7.5 AMA Category 1 Physician CME

COURSE REQUIREMENTS:

- Register for the course
- Complete the pre-course and 8 quizzes prior
- "Attend" the virtual course and participate
- Complete the post-course assessment

Cost: Book and course fees are covered by the Healthcare Preparedness Grant

Register: Go to register.ndlsf.org and search by date.

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In support of improving patient care, Western Michigan University Homer Stryker M.D. School of Medicine is jointly accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME), the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education (ACPE), and the American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC), to provide continuing education for the healthcare team. Western Michigan University Homer Stryker M.D. School of Medicine adheres to the ACCME's Standards for Integrity and



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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 children'

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 (EIIC) 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 EIIC 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 EIIC at disaster@emscimprovement.center

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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>

Second annual

Midwest EMSC Pediatric Champion/PECC

Symposium



Virtual
NOV. 2, 2022
(pre-hospital providers)

2 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. CDT/
3 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. EDT

Continuing education credits
will be available for EMS.

Agenda

Peds 101: Pediatric Assessment

Lisa Hill, DNP, RN, TCRN, EMT-P
Ascension St. John Hospital

Penetrating Trauma

Greg Faris, MD
Indiana University School of Medicine

The STARS Program, Improving Emergency Care for Pediatric Patients with Medical Complexities

Patricia Casey, RN, EMT-P
SSM Health Cardinal Glennon Children's
Hospital

Out of Hospital Births

Sarah Wilson, LM, CPM, BS
Michigan Certified Professional Midwife

Register today
(registration is free)



2023 AmeriCorps Funding Opportunity Available - January 4, 2023

[AmeriCorps](#), in partnership with CDC, launched the [2023 AmeriCorps State and National Grants](#), a \$400 million investment to engage new communities and individuals in public health, recruiting, and building a new workforce ready to respond to the nation's public health needs. Funding is open to nonprofit, faith-based, tribal, and community-based organizations; higher education institutions; and state, local, and territorial government entities, including local public health departments. Applications must be submitted by 5:00 PM ET on Wednesday, January 4, 2023. For additional guidance, contact AmeriCorpsGrants@cns.gov.

MGT 403: Access and Functional Needs Preparedness Planning for Rural Communities (Course ID in MI-TRAIN: 1106341) --February 15, 2023

Michigan State Police is sponsoring an 8-hour, DHS/DEMA certified, tuition-free, awareness-level course. The goal of this course is to teach participants the basics of mass fatality response while providing opportunities to exchange rural perceptions and brainstorm solutions to simulated emergencies. Please see the PDF below for more information. Registration must be completed by February 1, 2023.

[AWR-232 FLY Mt-Pleasant MI 02.15.23.pdf](#)

AWR 232: Mass Fatalities Planning and Response for Rural Communities (Course ID in MI-TRAIN: 1106231) -- April 12, 2023

Michigan State Police/EMHSD are sponsoring an 8-hour, DHS/FEMA certified, tuition-free, management levels course. This course helps ensure the safety of individuals with access and functional needs during a crisis event by increasing knowledge among community emergency planners in the area of preparedness. See the PDF below for information and how to register. Registration must be completed by March 29, 2023

[MGT 403 FLY DimondaleMI 04.12.23.pdf](#)

\$250,000 Funding Available to Michigan Small Businesses for Enhanced Worker Protections

Michigan small businesses with 250 employees or less can now apply for a Michigan Occupational Safety and Health Administration (MIOSHA) matching grant up to \$5,000 to make improvements to their workplace health and safety. The grants are available through the Workplace Improvement to Safety and Health (MIWISH) grant program and enable employers to purchase safety- and health-related equipment and training that will support safer, healthier work environments and reduce the risk of injury and illness to workers in Michigan.

Preference will be given to employers in high hazard industries identified in MIOSHA's 2019-2023 strategic plan. All projects will be evaluated based on the specific hazards addressed. The grant period began Oct. 1, 2022 and will continue until grant funding is expended. MIOSHA encourages new grantees to take advantage of this program.

To qualify for the MIWISH grant program, eligible employers must have:

- A qualified safety professional or safety committee conduct a site-specific evaluation justifying the equipment purchase.
- Knowledge and experience to complete the project and commitment to implementation.
- Match dollars for the grant money awarded and cover of all estimated project costs.

Recommended actions must be in the form of equipment or work area modifications to be used to reduce workplace hazards. Only items referenced in the application can be considered eligible, within the proposed project. Some equipment examples include:

- Residential fall protection systems
- Lifting equipment or portable lifting equipment for in-home care or small nursing/residential care facilities
- Monitoring equipment for confined space entry
- Noise reduction engineering controls
- Lock out/tag out systems
- Cooling systems for agriculture-based worksites
- Eyewash stations

For more information about the MIWISH grant program and how to apply, visit michigan.gov/mioshagrants, or contact MIOSHA's Consultation Education and Training grant administrator at 269-275-7155.

Request to Distribute the Hospital Incident Command System Survey - Deadline **November 30, 2022**

After the prolonged COVID and now MPX (Monkeypox) responses, the California Emergency Medical Services Authority (EMSA) Hospital Incident Command System (HICS) National Advisory Committee (NAC) has decided to take advantage of the many opportunities that hospitals have had to use HICS.

This is an exciting chance for HCCs to share this HICS survey with Hospitals, Medical Centers, and Hospital Systems to request they provide their input and comments so the EMSA can compile some of the best practices, suggested changes, and improvements to be added to the HICS Program during the future revision.

Please share the attached flyer and/or the link below to the HICS Survey/Questionnaire which combines inquiries about the Pre-COVID and COVID/MPX emergency management performance of HICS during the past few years.

[HICS Survey](#)

[HICS Survey News Letter-Flyer .pdf](#)

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>.

FEMA Seeks Feedback on Cyber Incidents Planning Guidance

FEMA wants feedback on the draft "[Planning Considerations for Cyber Incidents: Guidance for Emergency Managers](#)." This document provides state, local, tribal and territorial emergency managers with foundational knowledge of cyber incidents to increase cyber preparedness efforts in their jurisdictions.

[NIMS Alert 23-22 FEMA Seeks Feedback on Cyber Incidents Planning Guidance.pdf](#)

Recruiting Call for Primary Care Providers in Rural Communities

Please share with Pediatric Champions and other pediatric primary care providers: The American Academy of Pediatrics National Rural Adolescent and Child Health (NRACH) ECHO Training Center is recruiting primary care providers who live in or serve rural communities to join an 8-month learning collaborative. The goal of this ECHO is to build the capacity of primary care providers who live in or serve rural and frontier communities to provide quality behavioral and mental health care with a focus on anxiety and depression. Pediatric providers will engage in the ECHO (Extension for Community Healthcare Outcomes) model, a tele-mentoring platform that leverages video conference technology to connect experts with primary care teams in local communities, fostering an "all teach, all learn" approach. This program differs from a traditional webinar in that all attendees actively participate and learn from each other. Please see the attached for more information.

[RPAxietyDepressionECHORecruitmentFlyerFinal.pdf](#)

The National Emergency Department Overcrowding Score (NEDOCS)

The NEDOCS is live in EMResource. The equation could be used daily to determine overcrowding, for a multi-casualty incident, or medical surge incident. The NEDOCS metric is a component of the Immediate Bed Availability (IBA) plan and was added to EMResource to encourage hospitals to evaluate the scoring tool for ease of use, ability to obtain the component data, value of the metric, and any real or perceived drawbacks.

The NEDOCS score helps determine the severity of overcrowding in emergency departments (ED) with the use of several variables. The score ranges from 0 to 200. The scale was developed by Dr. Steven Weiss, to help assess and objectively communicate overcrowding of the ED. The scale provides a more consistent approach to defining ED crowding and helps to clarify the distinctions between causes, characteristics, and outcomes.

If training is needed at the hospital level, please reach out to the EMResource Data Team. Attached you will find step-by-step directions to be distributed to your HCC hospitals. If you have feedback on the metric send it to the EMResource Data Team at mdhhs-checc-emresource@michigan.gov.

Mediation Now Available in Michigan

There is a new, free mediation program in Michigan designed to resolve matters related to experiences with Community Mental Health. In behavioral health mediation, a neutral third party will guide parties through a confidential communication, information sharing, and decision-making process. The mediator ensures all parties have a voice and there is a power balance at the table. The steps sign up can be found in this [link](#).

Building Workforce Resilience through the Practice of Psychological First Aid Course

[This course](#) offers community leaders and teams the opportunity to consider and pursue coping and stress management strategies for supporting colleagues during a disaster response as stress levels increase for workers and the demands on organizations become more urgent. (Free registration required).

Behavioral Health Roadmap

The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services is excited to announce the release of the HHS Roadmap for Behavioral Health Integration. The Roadmap provides an overview of the approach HHS is taking to drive toward integrated care centered care. HHS is committed to advancing this country toward providing all Americans a full spectrum of integrated, equitable, evidence-based, culturally appropriate, and person-centered behavioral health care. You can access the [HHS Behavioral Health Roadmap here](#).

CDC Provides Recommendations to Prevent Occupationally Acquired Monkeypox (MPV) Infection in Health Care Personnel

Reports of occupationally acquired Monkeypox (MPV) infection in healthcare personnel (HCP) remain rare in this outbreak, with most reports involving HCP sustaining a sharps injury during specimen collection or not using [recommended personal protective equipment \(PPE\)](#). CDC recommends HCP adhere to all recommended [infection prevention and control](#) measures including [recommended PPE](#) to reduce the risk of MPV virus transmission in health care settings. Additional MVP resources are available below.

- [Infection Control: Healthcare Settings | Monkeypox | Poxvirus](#)
- [Health Care Personnel Exposures to Subsequently Laboratory-Confirmed Monkeypox Patients — Colorado, 2022](#)
- [Signs and Symptoms of Monkeypox](#)

- [Recommended PPE](#)
- [Cleaning and Disinfection Practices](#)
- [Safely Collect Monkeypox Specimens](#)

ASPR TRACIE Evaluation of Hazard Vulnerability Assessment Tools (Updated)

ASPR TRACIE updated the [Evaluation of Hazard Vulnerability Assessment \(HVA\) Tools](#) that highlights similarities and differences among applicable HVA tools used by public health and health care organizations. Each description includes a summary of its primary use/purpose, information on who developed the tool and how, the format of the tool, the calculations approach, and the benefits and limitations of the tool.

Michigan National Disaster Life Support - Links and Information

Did you know that the Michigan National Disaster Life Support (MINDLS) has a Facebook page? Here is the link: [Michigan NDLS | Facebook](#). Please visit the page for more information and pictures of courses that have taken place, and the dates courses are being offered throughout the state. It is also a way to develop connections with others that are interested in disaster response and follow the NDLS program in Michigan.

The Michigan National Disaster Life Support (MINDLS) also has a webpage [Michigan NDLS - Know your role! \(mindls.com\)](#). See what is new in the Michigan NDLS program, check out current information on courses and dates. To enroll in a BDL course contact Judy Wheeler (judy.wheeler@med.wmich.edu) for the course enrollment code (see course information above).

DHHS LTC Respiratory Protection Project

The Michigan Department of Health and Human Services will be providing fit testing apparatus kits and Michigan Occupational Safety and Health Administration (MIOSHA) trainings to ensure respiratory protection standards are met throughout the State. Qualifying facilities include **skilled nursing, adult foster care, homes for the aged, and assisted living.**

To request these free respirator kits for your facility, we ask that the facility's Infection Preventionist (or other designated facility employee) complete the [linked order form](#). A QR code for this order form has been included in this message for ease of access.

Completing this form is the first step in a two-step process. Once you complete and submit the order form, kits will be shipped to the contact you identified at the shipping address you provided. The information submitted in this order form will then be forwarded to the MIOSHA to formally request respiratory training on behalf of your facility. You will then be contacted by a representative of the MIOSHA to coordinate a training date. Please be advised that MIOSHA is currently scheduling meetings far in advance and there may be a delay between the arrival of fit testing kits and the training date.

If you have any questions about this program or run into any issues with the form, please contact me at wirthk4@michigan.gov.

Stay Well Resources: Fall Programming

- [Coping with Grief and Loss for Teens and Young Adults](#) – 4-part online workshop series that offers perspective, understanding and healing for people in their teens and early 20s who are grieving. It uses art, writing, mental exercises and other techniques to teach coping skills and ways to feel better.
 - Saturdays at noon
- [Coping with Grief and Loss for Adults](#) – Six-week online workshop series that explores the emotions experienced by those who are grieving and offers healthy ways to cope. Each weekly workshop will focus on one aspect of the grieving process. Participants will engage in drawing, writing, mental exercises and relaxation techniques to help them work through their grief.
 - Mondays 6:00 p.m. and Wednesdays at noon
- [Staying Well: An emotional health workshop for teens](#) – Online workshop series geared to help teens understand the causes and consequences of emotions. Participants learn how to turn off self-judgement, manage relationships better and regulate their ups and downs—with the goal of finding more meaning and purpose in life.
 - Saturdays 2:00 p.m.
- [Weekly Discussion Groups](#) – Virtual support groups, led by trained counselors that invite participants to share their experiences and gain insight into the experiences of others while navigating the COVID-19 pandemic.
 - See the flyer linked in the title for discussion topics, days and times

Resources and ongoing programs can be found on the Stay Well page [here](#), including the counseling line, which is **1-888-535-6136 and press "8"**. There is also an order form for free materials [here](#).

To help Michiganders through the mental health challenges of the COVID-19 pandemic, the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services offers emotional support through the [Stay Well program](#) - If your organization would like to partner with the Stay Well program, contact Project Manager Erin Wallace at WallaceE3@michigan.gov or 989-513-2370.

Decreasing Children's Fear of Vaccine

The below document should be shared far and wide with anyone who provides services to children, especially vaccinations.

[Reduce Child's Fear v3.pdf](#)

ASPR TRACIE Resources

In honor of National Preparedness Month, we would like to share the following ASPR TRACIE resources with our stakeholders:

- [Natural Disasters Topic Collection](#) (be sure to check out the sections on floods, hurricanes, wildfires, and extreme temperature events)
- [Utility Failures Topic Collection](#)

- Climate Change and Healthcare System Considerations [Topic Collection](#), [Report Summary](#), and [Webinar](#)
- [Chemical/Biological/Radiological/Nuclear Resources Page](#)
- [The Disaster Available Supplies in Hospitals \(DASH\) Tool](#)
- [Healthcare Provider Shortages-Resources and Strategies for Meeting Demand](#)

The Office of Inspector General Issues Special Fraud Alert for Practitioners Entering Into Arrangements with Telemedicine Companies

The Office of Inspector General (OIG) has conducted dozens of investigations of fraud schemes involving companies that purported to provide telehealth, telemedicine, or telemarketing services (collectively, Telemedicine Companies) and exploited the growing acceptance and use of telehealth. Additional information can be found in this [link](#)

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.

From the National Pediatric Disaster Coalition and EIIIC: “Disasters and Families of Children with Disabilities: What Providers Need to Know.”

This short video, infographic and checklist provides awareness level training for all health care providers who work with children with complex medical needs and their families including hospital and community emergency managers. The toolkit contains a 4-minute English-captioned video to provide training, a one-page infographic summarizing what providers need to know and

a teaching checklist for discharge planning or during routine primary care or specialty care visits in hospital or ambulatory care settings. EIC landing page for Provider Materials:

- [https://emscimprovement.center/domains/preparedness/asprcoe/eglpdr/cyshcn/toolkit/need to know/](https://emscimprovement.center/domains/preparedness/asprcoe/eglpdr/cyshcn/toolkit/need%20to%20know/)
- YouTube Video: <https://youtu.be/SxyZB8Y8hkl>
- One Page Infographic: [https://media.emscimprovement.center/documents/Dec 2021 Recommendations for Caring for Children.pdf](https://media.emscimprovement.center/documents/Dec%202021%20Recommendations%20for%20Caring%20for%20Children.pdf)

