

Emerald Coast Health Care Coalition Newsletter

February 2025



Welcome to The Emerald Coast Healthcare Coalition's Newsletter.

Please let us know if we can be any of assistance.

We are sharing some upcoming events in the next few months!

If any organization would like to include anything for our next Newsletter please feel free to reach out.

We hope you enjoy it.

Best,

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New Address

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Upcoming Meetings:

Q3 General Coalition Meeting

February 13, 2025

1:30pm CST - 3:00pm CST

Okaloosa County Healthcare Facility Planning Preparedness Meeting

Okaloosa County Emergency Management is hosting their Healthcare Facility Planning Preparedness Meeting on March 5th from 9:30 am-12:00 pm CST. Come join them at the Okaloosa County Emergency Operations Center located at 90. E. College Blvd in Niceville, FL 32578. They will be discussing the review process from each agency's perspective for healthcare facility CEMP planning as well as some tips and resources in ensuring the safety and security in your facility's emergency operations. We look forward to seeing representatives from each of your healthcare facility!

If you are interested in attending, please email Destiny Nunez at dnunez@myokaloosa.com with your agency's name, email and contact phone number.



MARCH 5, 2025 HEALTHCARE FACILITY PARTNER PLANNING MEET

Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan Review Tips and Assistance

Come join us for our next Healthcare Facility Partner Planning Meet to gather informative tips on what to include in your facility's Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan to have a successful annual review and to ensure the proper planning pieces are addressed to protect the valuable lives and property of your business in the potential event of an emergency or disaster.



2025 9:30 am
to 12 pm

Featuring planners from Okaloosa County Emergency Management, Florida Department of Health, and Agency for Healthcare Administration

Emerald Coast Healthcare Coalition!



Learn about
Emergency
Operations from
local and state
perspectives

OKALOOSA COUNTY
EMERGENCY
OPERATIONS CENTER
90 E. College Blvd Building
110
Niceville, FL 32578
(850)-714-4907 C
(850)-651-7150

Website and Training Calendar

Please utilize our training and exercise calendar on our new website. You can add any events to your own personal Google, Outlook, or I Calendar directly from our website.

<https://emeraldcoasthealthcarecoalition.com/events/>

10	11	12	13	14	15	16
<p>10:00 am – 11:00 am ECHCC Training and Exercise Committee Meeting February 10 (9:00am CST to 10:00am CST)</p>	<p>G-300 post 5/10/2019 Intermediate Incident Command System for Expansi...</p>		<p>3:30 am – 5:30 am ECHCC General Coalition Meeting</p>			
	 <p>12:00 pm – 4:00 pm Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan (CEMP) Workshops with BOLD Planning</p>	 <p>9:00 am – 10:00 am Threat Assessment: Moving From Assessment to Management and Prevention</p>				
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
		<p>L-960 NIMS ICS All-Hazards Position Specific Division & Group Supervisor</p>				
24	25	26	27	28	1	2
	<p>L-984 Strike Team/Task Force : (L-984)</p>					

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All Hazards Position Specific Courses

ECHCC will be hosting 2 ICS All Hazards Position Specific courses in February and March. Walton County will also be bringing and hosting 1 in February. Courses are listed below as well as the link to register. Registration will be done through SERT TRAC.

L 960 Division/Group Supervisor

[Click Here to Register](#)

It will be held at our building 326 Green Acres Road, Fort Walton Beach, FL, 32547.

February 19 - February 21

The course is designed to provide local and state-level emergency responders with a robust understanding of the duties, responsibilities, and capabilities of an effective Division Group Supervisor on an AHIMT. The course walks students through general information, including an overview of the Operations Section and information on incident mobilization, initial situation awareness and unit management. It also provides detailed instruction on responding to the incident and the command needs of the incident, as well as emphasizing the importance of risk management and safety considerations.

L0958 Operations Section Chief

[Click Here to Register](#)

It will be held at our building 326 Green Acres Road, Fort Walton Beach, FL, 32547.

March 17- March 20

This course is designed to provide local and state-level emergency responders with a robust understanding of the duties, responsibilities, and capabilities of an effective OSC on an All-Hazards Incident Management Team. These responsibilities fall into two categories: 1) responding to the incident and the command needs of the incident, and 2) effectively fulfilling the position responsibilities of an Operations Section Chief on an All-Hazards ICS Incident Management Team. Exercises, simulations, discussions, and a final exam enable students to process and apply their new knowledge. Selection Criteria: NIMS ICS Position Specific training should be completed by personnel who are regularly assigned to functional, support, or unit leader positions on USFA or other Type III All-Hazards Incident Management Teams (AHIMT), or by those persons who desire to seek credentials/certification in those positions.

L-984 Strike Team/Task Force : ([L-984](#))

[Click Here to Register](#)

This course is hosted by Walton County Emergency Management and will be held at Walton County EOC on

February 25 - February 27.
75 South Davis Lane
Defuniak Springs 32435

The course addresses the roles and responsibilities appropriate to a Task Force/Strike team Leader operating on concert with a local or state-level AH IMT. These responsibilities fall into two categories: (1) responding to the incident and the command needs of the incident, and (2) effectively fulfilling the position responsibilities of a Task Force/Strike Team Leader in conjunction with an AH IMT. This is an all-hazards, instructor-led course that facilitates learning through discussion, lecture, and active participation in multiple exercise scenarios

CYBER SECURITY THREATS AND BEST PRACTICES FOR THE HEALTHCARE SECTOR



OBJECTIVES

Our Region 4 CISA representative will be presenting on Cybersecurity Threats and Best Practices for the Healthcare Sector.

This session will focus on common Tactics, Techniques, and Procedures (TTP's), which are often utilized by Cyber Threat Actors during their attacks against Healthcare organizations. Additionally,

Mr. Burt will discuss common defensive measures and best practices, which organizations can implement to counter Cyber threats and stay safe online.

BENEFITS

- Understanding Specific Threats in Healthcare
- Improving Incident Response Preparedness
- Strengthening Organizations Security Posture

TARGET AUDIENCE

- Healthcare Executives and Leadership
- IT Professionals in Healthcare
- Clinical staff and administration compliance officers
- Students and researchers in Cybersecurity or Healthcare
- IT Government and Regulatory Agency Staff

JASON BURT

Region 4 Cybersecurity Advisor



Mr. Burt serves as the liaison and focal point for communications, coordination, and outreach. He promotes cyber preparedness and resiliency, incident response, risk mitigation and situational awareness, and manages major cyber engagements; championing cyber resilience to public and private sector partners. Region IV encompasses eight states, including Mississippi, Alabama, Florida, Georgia, North

Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Kentucky.

March 11, 2025

9:00am - 11:00 am CST

326 Green Acres Rd, Fort Walton Beach, FL 32547

Please visit emeraldcoasthealthcarecoalition.com to register



SAVE THE DATE!

**ECHCC
SYMPOSIUM**

ONE-DAY

HYBRID

Join us for the upcoming symposium event at our office in Fort Walton Beach, featuring expert speakers, valuable insights, and great information and opportunities. Topics include: human trafficking, cyber, pediatrics, active assailant, and more!



8:30am
APRIL 16, 2025



Contact us
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Visit our website
[CLICK HERE](#)

REGISTER NOW





FLORIDA HEALTH CARE COALITIONS

Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan (CEMP) Development Workshops WITH BOLDPLANNING



- [Tuesday, February 11th](#) from 1pm - 5pm
- [Wednesday, March 5th](#) from 1pm - 5pm
- [Thursday, April 17th](#) from 1pm - 5pm
- [Tuesday, May 20th](#) from 1pm - 5pm
- [Wednesday, June 18th](#) from 1pm - 5pm

These virtual workshops will guide you through developing a Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan (CEMP) using the BOLDPlanning Platform!

Click on the date above to register.
(The workshops are the identical - just choose one!)

Provided at no cost to you by the Florida Health Care Coalitions!

Let's start 2025 by improving your CEMP and COOP Plans in the BOLDPlanning Platform!

All healthcare facilities and organizations in Florida can utilize this platform for your CEMP or COOP at no cost to you, paid for by the Florida Health Care Coalitions! We have a variety of CEMP Development Workshops as well as COOP Development.

Workshops scheduled over the next few months, to help you get started. To request access to the platform complete the access request form.



FLORIDA HEALTH CARE COALITIONS

Continuity of Operations Plan (COOP) Development Workshops WITH BOLDPLANNING



- [Monday, March 24th](#) from 1pm - 5pm
- [Thursday, May 8th](#) from 1pm - 5pm

These virtual workshops will guide you through developing a Continuity of Operations (COOP) Plan using the BOLDPlanning Platform!

Click on the date above to register.
(The workshops are the identical - just choose one!)

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CEMP Development Workshops:

- Tuesday, February 11th, 2025 from 12pm – 4pm CST
- Wednesday, March 5th, 2025 from 12pm – 4pm CST

COOP Development Workshops:

- Monday, March 24th, 2025 from 12pm – 4pm CST

Events and ASPR Updates



Alzheimer's And Dementia Staff Education Week—February 14-21

The National Council of Certified Dementia Practitioners, or NCCDP is offering a free toolkit for The National Council of Certified Dementia Practitioners Alzheimer's and Dementia Staff Education Week, which runs from Feb. 14-21. This toolkit includes in services that are designed to be taught in a half an hour to front line staff and health care professionals who deal with patients with Alzheimer's and dementia. Please visit Alzheimer's & Dementia Training & Education Center

ASPR Technical Resources Assistance Center Information Exchange (TRACIE) Tips for Health Care Facilities: Assisting Families and Loved Ones After a Mass Casualty Incident

This **updated tip sheet highlights** best practices and issues related to planning for, activating, and operating hospital or healthcare facility Family Information Centers (FIC)/ Family Support Centers (FSC), in collaboration with Family Reception Centers (FRC) and Family Assistance Centers (FAC).

