



The Joint Commission and Joint Commission Resources

2024 Emergency Management Conference

Theme: Doing the Impossible

June 19-20, 2024 • DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel (Universal Orlando) • Orlando, FL

Program times: Al	l times	are in	Eastern	Time	(ET)	
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PROGRAM DAY 1: Wednesday, June 19, 2024

7:00 - 8:00am	Registration & Continental Breakfast		
	Welcome & Opening Remarks:		
	Alan Gornik, MBA Michael W. DeGraff, CISSP, CSA		
8:00 - 8:15am	Director	Director of Enterprise	
	Global Education	Information Security	
	Joint Commission Resources	The Joint Commission	

KEYNOTE SPEAKER

High-Impact Cyber Attack: Cyber Risk Preparedness in Hospitals and Health Systems

In this immersive session, John will lead an exploration into the intricate realm of cyber risk preparedness within larger health systems to small rural hospitals against the backdrop of high-impact cyber-attacks.

8:15 - 9:45am

John Riggi, BS

National Advisor for Cybersecurity and Risk

American Hospital Association

9:45 - 10:15am

BREAK (Exhibitor Hall)

Cybersecurity (Panel Session)

This panel session will be an open dialogue amongst industry leaders in cybersecurity on health systems preparedness for cyber-attacks.

Session Moderator:

Michael W. DeGraff, CISSP, CSA

Director of Enterprise Information Security

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10:15 - 11:45am

Panelists:

Michael Mastrangelo, MBA	William (Bill) Rudolph, CHEP,	CIO/CISO TBD
Associate Vice President,	CHSP, CHPCP, BA EDM	
Institutional Preparedness	Safety and Emergency	
University of Texas Medical	Manager	
Branch at Galveston (TX)	Penn Medicine/Penn	
	Presbyterian Medical Center	
	Philadelphia (PA)	

11:45 - 12:45pm LUNCH BREAK (Lunch provided in Exhibitor Hall)

Conference Overview & Moderator:

James Kendig, MS, CHSP, HEM

Field Director, Survey Management and Development

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Finding Your Beat, the Rhythm of Life

We all face challenges that create our own beat in life when balancing family and careers and struggling to find time for ourselves and our physical, mental, and spiritual health. Prepare to be energized, inspired, and entertained as "The Off-Duty Chief" shares strategies and tactics for finding YOUR RHYTHM!

- Strengthen your Critical Thinking skills to lead teams and motivate those around you.
- Develop your Emotional Intelligence: self-awareness, social awareness, relationship and self-management.
- Understand the warning signs that you have lost your balance and the steps to get back on track.
- Identify and evaluate difficult situations and how to best navigate outside your comfort zone.

Tim Eggebraaten

Retired Chief Law Enforcement Officer

(Detroit Lakes, MN)

1:45 - 2:00pm BREAK

Ready and Resilient: Best Practices in Healthcare Continuity of Operations Planning (EM.13.01.01)

This session focuses on the Children's Healthcare of Atlanta's initiation of a three-year project in 2023 to develop a health system continuity program. The focus is the first year of this project as a framework for discussing continuity planning principles and elements, and how to employ them to improve your organization's resiliency.

2:00 -3:00pm

12:45 - 1:45pm

Ralph Nazzaro, CEM, MEP, PMP, PCP	Kristopher Mattson, CEM, MEP
Senior Homeland Security Analyst	Director
Ascenttra	System Safety and Emergency Management
(Vienna, VA)	Children's Healthcare of Atlanta
	(Atlanta, GA)

Implementing an Emergency Readiness Metrics Program to Drive Continuous Improvement and Executive Engagement (10.01.01, 9.01.01, 12.01.01, 16.01.01, 12.02.01)

In 2023, HCA Healthcare developed and implemented a Hospital Emergency Management Metrics Program, consisting of 144 metrics within 20 all hazards and incident-specific competencies, at its 180+ acute care hospitals across the United States to assess the facilities' readiness for emergencies. Session participants will learn HCA's goals for the program, the metrics development and implementation processes, the lessons learned from the program, and HCA's plans for using the metrics and the data.

3:00 - 4:00pm

Melissa Cole Harvey, MSPH,	Michael Wargo, RN, BSN,	Sara Greene, DNP, APRN
BSN, RN	MBA, PHRN, CMTE	Director
Assistant Vice President	Vice President	Enterprise Emergency
Enterprise Emergency Operations	Enterprise Emergency	Readiness
HCA Healthcare	Operations & CSG Medical	HCA Healthcare
(Nashville, TN)	Transport	(Nashville, TN)
	HCA Healthcare	
	(Nashville, TN)	

4:00-5:00pm

Emergency Management Exhibit Hall/Meet TJC Experts/Poster Session & Reception (Located in the Exhibitor Hall)

5:00pm

Adjourn

PROGRAM DAY 2: Thursday, June 20, 2024

7:00 - 8:00am	Continental Breakfast
	Conference Overview & Moderator:
8:00 - 8:05am	Edward Browne, MS, CHC, CHFM, CHPA, CEPSS-HC, CLSS-HC, FACHE, FASHE Consultant Joint Commission Resources

Healthcare Coalition Building - Applying the three C's (Community; Cohesion; Cooperation) to Emergency Preparedness & Response (EM 09.01.01; EM 10.01.01; EM 12.01.01; EM 12.02.09; EM 13.01.01)

It is widely known that Trauma Centers, Hospitals and Healthcare Systems face multiple challenges daily along with the growing list of man-made and natural threats which inhibit their ability to respond effectively. In the Lower Hudson Valley of NY, Hospital, LTC, Department of Health, and Hospital Association have partnered. Regardless of the hazard, a successful medical response begins with a robust system of partners to facilitate preparedness planning and response.

8:05 - 9:00am

Ed Tangredi, CEM	Jared Shapiro	
Director	Associate Vice President	
Emergency Management	Montefiore Health System	
White Plains Hospital (NY)	(Bronx, NY)	

Can You Hear Me Now? A Guide to Transparent Emergency Preparedness (All EM Standards)

In an effort to improve information sharing in emergency preparedness and readiness for response, our team created an interactive and visual program management system to provide transparent access to emergency preparedness tools, training, notifications, and crisis communications. This is an interactive presentation following a case study of our evolution of daily management in emergency preparedness; you'll see the elements and tools used to create a dynamic visual program management board.

9:00 - 10:00am

Shannan Saunders, MADEM, CHEP, CHPCP, CPXP

Site Director
Emergency Management
Mount Sinai Health System
(Bronx, NY)

10:00 - 10:30am

BREAK (Exhibitor Hall)

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Day 2: Breakout Sessions				
	TRACK A	TRACK B		
	Introduction to the Veterans Health Administration (VHA)'s Vulnerable Patient Care, Access, and Response during Emergencies (VP CARE) Program (12.02.01 EPs 2, 4; EM 12.02.05)	The Best Worst Day: Lessons Learned from the Signature Healthcare Brockton Hospital Fire & Evacuation (EM.09.01.01; EM.12.01.01; EM.12.02.11; EM.14.01.01; EM.15.01.01; EM.17.01.01)		
10:30 - 11:30am	The Veterans Health Administration (VA)'s Vulnerable Patient Care, Access, and Response in Emergencies (VP CARE) program provides standardized tools and guidance to assist VA facilities in conducting outreach to and care coordination of medically frail Veterans during major emergencies. This presentation will describe VP CARE's multi-pronged approach and identify lessons learned that may be instructive in assisting other healthcare systems seeking to establish similar outreach capabilities.	On 2/7/2023, a 10-alarm fire broke out at Signature Healthcare Brockton Hospital, prompting the evacuation of over 160 patients and the hospital to remain closed for months. Claire Sears, Emergency Manager, will present on the successes and challenges of patient movement, transfers and discharge; maintaining patient and staff safety; managing cascading events; collaboration with local/state/regional partners; and how lessons learned are being implemented in facility plans, protocols and training.		
	Derrick Jaastad Executive Director Office of Emergency Management Veterans Health Administration (Martinsburg, WV)	Claire Berube Sears, HEM Emergency Manager Signature Healthcare Brockton Hospital (Brockton, MA)		
	Victoria Broussard Executive Assistant Veterans Health Administration (Arlington, TX)			

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11:30 - 12:30pm	Is Your Hospital Ready to Receive Disaster Telehealth Services? How to Build an Effective Emergency Credentialing Plan (EM.12.02.03.04; EM.12.02.03.05) Disaster telehealth is a powerful tool to obtain or supplement specialty expertise across jurisdictions during disasters. Preparing your hospital to access and utilize such services should be done prior to the need. Emergency privileging and credentialing plans associated with your hospital emergency operations plan need to be detailed, vetted by hospital leadership, and exercised to ensure the timely and efficient use of disaster telehealth services. Maureen McMahon, RN, BSN, MS R1 RDHRS Emergency Management Consultant Region 1 Disaster Health Response System (Boston, MA) Jack Leeber, MSEM Senior Program Manager Region 1 Disaster Health Response System	Global Consistency and Local Relevance (EM.09.01.01; EM 10.01.01) This presentation is a discussion of the strategies, deliverables, and challenges of integrating legacy Emergency Management Programs into a program of programs that provides global consistency and local relevance. The primary challenge addressed is establishing and sustaining an appropriate balance of autonomy and alignment. The use of metrics derived from TJC/CMS standards/conditions of participation demonstrates how processes that matter can be measured. Jay M. Johnson Ed.D. Manager Emergency Management Mayo Clinic (Rochester, MN)	
10.00	(Boston, MA)		
1:30 - 1:30pm	I Know a Guy - Increasing Disaster Self-Sufficiency by Blue-Sky Collaboration (EM.09.01.01; EM.11.01.01; EM.12.02.09) This session focuses on communication and collaboration with public safety, government, non-government, and private sector organizations during blue-skies (before the disaster) to increase the efficacy of response and recovery of gray-sky events (disaster). Case studies from multiple events will be provided on how facilities used pre-disaster collaboration to better respond to disasters in their facility or jurisdiction. Christopher Blomgren, RN, MS, NEMAA Emergency Planner Clark County Nursing Home (Williamstown, MO)	Sudden Medical Gas Outage: Surviving 4 days without Evacuation or Risk to Visitor and Patient Care (EM 01.01.01 EP3,5,6,8; EM 02.02.03 EP 1,2,3,4,5,6; EM02.01.01 EP2,3,4,12; EM02.02.01; EM 02.02.09) Most exercises look at the top 5 HVA predicted or historical issues. What happens when a trusted system, which may be decades old, fails to provide the utility that we take for granted? We experienced a house wide Medical Gas failure. This is not a common utility outage, so the alternate plan is rarely exercised. Bottle adapters were incorrect, expedited parts were incorrect. This presentation will walk you through the event, challenges, and process corrections and implementations. Brian Berry - BSHA, ACJ, AAS, FSI Director Emergency Management Bon Secours Mercy Health (Toledo, OH)	

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	There's No Place Like Home: An Integrated Emergency Preparedness Approach to an Expanding Healthcare at Home Program (EM.11.01.01.04; EM.12.01.01.02; EM.12.02.05.04)	Five Years of Disasters in Eighteen Hours (EM.09.01.01; EM.10.01.01; EM.11.01.01; EM,12.01.01; EM.13.01.01; EM.14.01.01; EM.17.01.01) This presentation will discuss lessons learned from the	
2:30 - 3:30pm	The Mass General Brigham Healthcare at Home emergency preparedness program was designed to support 3 entities (Home Care, Home Hospital, and MGB Ambulance) using a centralized emergency operations plan and a thorough hazard vulnerability analysis. Incidents requiring mass relocation of home-based patients (e.g., severe weather, utility failure) were identified as high risk; an emergency care relocation plan is being built to prioritize and organize the movement of vulnerable home-based patients.	2021 Texas winter storm which paralyzed the state for seven days. For one eighteen-hour period the Ascension, Texas Healthcare Ministry experienced every major disaster event experienced in the preceding five years. This presentation will discuss the implications and impact, of an extended major disaster upon a hospital system. Discussion will cover the initial response to recovery. Scott Cormier, BS, NRP, CHEP Vice President	
	Sara Kelly, MPH Emergency Preparedness Program Manager Mass General Brigham (Somerville, MA)	Emergency Management, EC, and Safety Medxcel (Indianapolis, IN)	
	Robert Krupa Senior Program Manager Planning and Analytics Mass General Brigham (Boston, MA)		
3:30pm	Adjourn		

PROGRAM OBJECTIVES

At the end of the program, the participant will be able to:

- 1. Identify strategies to meet standards identified as new and challenging Emergency Management standards.
- 2. Discuss strategies and leading practices to improve organizational performance.
- 3. Discuss strategies for cyber risk preparedness and high-impact cyber-attacks within healthcare.
- 4. Discuss standards and strategies for standards of care and sufficiency of care during an emergency or disaster incident.
- 5. Discuss standards and strategies to develop efficient HVA, EOP, and COOP to improve organizational emergency management.

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