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THE TRAINING YOU NEED, WHEN YOU NEED IT

Emergency Dispensing Site Management

An Emergency Dispensing Site (EDS) is a place to go for medicine, water, or other supplies during an emergency. This module will define an EDS, review Incident Command Systems (ICS) and identify the positions in an EDS that need pre-identification. This module will also explain the Strategic National Stockpile (SNS) and will describe how it provides the medication to an EDS.

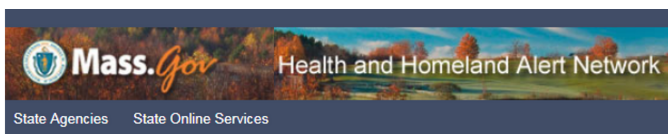


Emergency Preparedness in Massachusetts: The Role of Local Public Health

Emergencies come in all shapes and sizes. Emergency preparedness and response activities must take into account the needs of vulnerable populations. While public health department staff are generally not thought of as first responders, every public health department is an emergency response agency and must be prepared to respond immediately to a variety of emergencies.

Incident Command System and Public Health

It is essential that public health officials meet the requirements of the National Incident Management System (NIMS) and work collaboratively to ensure that the public health portion of the multi-agency response is smoothly implemented. In order to do that, local public health staff must be familiar with and use the standard incident command system (ICS) structure. This training offers an introduction to the concepts of planning, particularly as they would apply in a public health scenario.



HHAN: Using the Health and Homeland Alert Network

The Health and Homeland Alert Network (HHAN) is a statewide network built to deliver important information to you via email, telephone calls, text message, and pager. It is intended to ensure rapid and timely access to information for health preparedness and response on a 24/7/365 basis. This training will walk you through the steps of logging on to and accessing alert information on the HHAN.

Massachusetts Virtual Epidemiological Network (MAVEN)

Massachusetts Virtual Epidemiological Network (MAVEN) is a new web-based disease surveillance and case management system that enables state and local health departments to capture and transfer appropriate public health, laboratory, and clinical data efficiently and securely over the Internet in real-time. This training module provides step by step guidance on how to use MAVEN.



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