Catastrophic Disaster Response: Health, Medical and Population Planning at the Regional Level

What: Local, state and federal leaders will describe the unique challenges related to an Improvised Nuclear Device (IND) detonation in the National Capital Region (NCR). Meeting discussions involving participants from Northern Virginia, Washington DC, Baltimore and surrounding jurisdictions will be geared towards plans to mitigate the health, medical and population consequences of such an attack, and will explore steps to coordinate beyond individual jurisdictions towards a regional response capability.

Who: Regional leaders from government, major healthcare organizations, the emergency response community, schools/colleges, businesses and the non-profit community from Northern Virginia to Baltimore, MD.

Presented by: The Johns Hopkins University Applied Physics Lab

March 5, 2013 - 8:30am-4:30pm

Location: Johns Hopkins APL (Laurel, MD)

MGT-341: Disaster Preparedness for Hospitals and Healthcare Organizations within the Community Infrastructure

A two-day training that provides instruction in principles of hospital disaster preparedness. With a thorough focus on preparedness processes and activities, this course provides an opportunity to acquire the knowledge, skills, and abilities needed to help ensure the sustainability of facilities and organizations during all types of disasters. Participants will be better qualified to participate in preparing for, responding to, and recovering from a natural or man-made incident that impacts facilities, systems, employees, and the ability to care for incident victims.

Conducted by: Texas Engineering Extension (TEEX), Texas A&M University

March 28, 2013 - 8:30am-4:00pm

Location: Springfield Hospital Center (Sykesville, MD)

Rapid Psychological First Aid

The Johns Hopkins Preparedness and Emergency Response Learning Center is pleased to offer in co-sponsorship with DHMH and OP&R, the Johns Hopkins Rapid Psychological First Aid Workshop. This six-hour interactive, face-to-face training provides non-mental health professionals the concepts and skills associated with Psychological First Aid. Utilizing the RAPID model (Reflective listening, Assessment of needs, Prioritization, Intervention, and Disposition), this specialized training provides perspectives on injuries and trauma that are beyond those physical in nature. Additionally, the RAPID model is readily applicable to public health settings, the workplace, the military, faith-based organizations, mass disaster
venues, and even the demands of more common-place critical events (e.g. dealing with the psychological aftermath of accidents, robberies, suicide, homicide, or community violence).

Conducted by: George S. Everley, Jr. Ph.D.

April 11, 2013 - 8:30am-4:00pm
Location: DHMH Headquarters, Baltimore

**MGT- 403: Response Planning for Functional Needs Populations in Rural Communities**

This course is designed to educate participants on the planning efforts needed to ensure the safety of those with functional needs during a crisis event, particularly those housed in assisted living facilities and nursing homes. Because of their restrictions and gaps in community support, rural people with functional needs are at greater risk of injury and death during a crisis event than those living in suburban and urban areas. These people require specialized care, transportation, shelter, and medical needs that must be considered before the crisis occurs. This course will expose participants to the benefits of developing comprehensive emergency response plans for those most vulnerable during a crisis: the elderly and children, anyone with limited English proficiency, people with disabilities, and anyone from a minority culture.

*This course will be taught by: The Rural Domestic Preparedness Consortium*

Dates and Locations:
Region IV: June 12, 2013 - 8:30am-4:30pm / Queen Anne’s County Health Department

Regions I-II: June 14, 2013 - 8:30am-4:30pm / Allegany County Department of Emergency Services

To register or get more information on these and other DHMH-sponsored trainings:

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