



This week review includes:

- West Central virtual meeting –July 25, 2024
- Know the difference Watch vs Warning
- NDMS call for hospitals!
- HERT open house opportunity

Follow up needed.....

(this box will indicate areas within the update that require action by membership)

- Have a good day 😊

Health Care
Coalitions Weekly
Update:
July 18, 2024

Legend for the backgrounds in the update:

Hospital/Healthcare



All Membership



SNF/Assisted Living/Home Health Hospice



Coalitions Contact Information

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[Visit the Coalition Website](#)

Emergency 24/7 Phone: 320-654-2720

West Central Coalition Regional Meeting

Virtual Meeting July 25 0900-1030

- [Agenda](#)

If you do not have an invitation to this meeting on your calendar, please email cwhealthcarecoalitions@centracare.com]



Central Coalition Bi-Monthly Call Meeting



Thank you for attending our July 17 call!

[Click here](#) to review our slide show

Please feel free to provide feedback/input and email cwhealthcarecoalitions@centracare.com

Reminder, we are here for you! Enjoy the rest of your summer!

Our next call is September 18, 2024.



ATTENTION!! Coalition members

Thursday July 25

The Central and West Central coalitions will be deleting all coalition calendar invites.

Monday July 29

We will be resending all the invites. We need you to accept them as “tentatively” then you may edit as necessary. DO NOT decline if you are unable to attend the first meeting. This will hopefully help moving forward with new hires and if you accidently deleted the “series” you will now have them again!

Thank you for your ongoing support of the coalitions! We appreciate you!





Important information for our hospital members

The National Disaster Medical System (NDMS) has asked the coalitions to share this opportunity.

The devastation of natural and man-made disasters brings an urgent need for health and medical care. Hurricanes, earthquakes, pandemic disease, major transportation accidents, and terrorist attacks can overwhelm state, local, tribal or territorial resources.

That's when the National Disaster Medical System (NDMS) is called to action. At a state's request, NDMS provides personnel, equipment, supplies, and a system of partner hospitals that work together with state and local personnel to provide care when Americans need it most.

[Click here](#) for more information

U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs
Veterans Health Administration
Office of Emergency Management

Minnesota NDMS Hospitals

Central HCC	Metro HCC	Northeast HCC	Northwest HCC
8 Hospitals	22 Hospitals	7 Hospitals	3 Hospitals

South Central HCC	Southeast HCC	Southwest HCC	West Central HCC
8 Hospitals	7 Hospitals	2 Hospitals	0 Hospitals

*As of July 12, 2024

Watch vs Warning

Know the difference during storm season. Be aware of changing weather, thunderstorms, severe thunderstorms, tornado, flooding, heat, and high winds. Remember these key words:

WATCH: A watch means the conditions are favorable or possible for the threat to develop, but not imminent or occurring. A watch advises the public to monitor the weather situation and be prepared to seek shelter if necessary.

WARNING: A warning means the threat is occurring or extremely imminent and poses a danger to life and property. A warning requires the public to take protective action.

Example:

Tornado watch: No tornado spotted but one could develop. In a hospital or LTC setting, staff should maybe start thinking ahead. Closing drapes, making sure all staff, residents/patients are aware.

Tornado warning: The threat is imminent. **SEEK SHELTER IMMEDIATELY.** You need to act to keep residents/patients safe. Know & follow your facilities plan.

*The National Weather Service is valuable resource to use! [National Weather Service](https://www.weather.gov/)





Volunteer Management Topic Collection (Updated)

During large-scale disasters or extended health emergencies, healthcare facilities may need to augment their teams (often with volunteers) to continue to provide patient care or support patient care services. The resources in the [Volunteer Management Topic Collection](#) include strategies, legal information, and planning templates to assist healthcare facilities with incorporating volunteers into their disaster management plans. The updated version includes new categories dedicated to [Medical Reserve Corps](#) experiences from the field and lessons learned during the COVID-19 pandemic.



Healthcare Preparedness Tools & Resources

Increasing risks associated with extreme heat in the United States signal an urgent need to enhance national preparedness and response strategies.

[Modernizing Preparedness Approaches for Extreme Heat](#)

Disasters to “MEGAdisasters”

[Opinion: 'The big one' disaster could happen in our lifetime. Can we even be ready?](#)

SAVE THE DATE HERT Decontamination Hands-On Workshop

Come for an hour, or stay for the day...This is a **FREE** opportunity for HERT team members or potential HERT team members to explore the following:

- PPE
 - Donning
 - Doffing
- Emergency Treatment Area Set-up & Operations
- Triage Practice
- Decontamination Set-up
 - 3-line tent
 - Single station
 - Non-ambulatory
- Communications
- Other topics as brought-up by participants....

Dates:

Monday September 23rd, 2024 1300-1700

▪ OR

Tuesday September 24th, 2024 0900-1500

Location: (hyperlink to map)

- [602 3rd Street South, Waite Park, MN 56387](#)

- Open to all coalition partners who have completed the FEMA CDP HERT Virtual training or are planning to in the next 12 months
 - **No timeline commitment or registration is necessary!**



Coalition
Training
Opportunities

OSHA FIRST RECEIVER TRAINING

...the standard & a requirement
...this is for your HERT team members!!!

- On-line modular training offered by coalition in 2024:
 - August 26th-29th, 2024
 - October 28th-31st, 2024
 - January 20-23rd, 2025
 - March 24th-27th, 2025
- Sessions will be offered 0800-1000 or 2000-2200 each day, attendees must attend 1 session per day for the entire 4-day period (8-hours total).
- This training will get the attendee a FEMA certificate of completion
- 3-hour Fee for service hands on sessions can be scheduled after if desired by your agency/facility (not required)



[Click here to register...](#)

Coalition
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Opportunities



From MDH and Vital Learning Strategies



Practical Strategies for Emergency Preparedness and Response in Healthcare Facilities
All day workshops are being offered to give you valuable tools and knowledge to improve your facilities emergency management practices!

Those who should attend, but not limited to:

- Emergency Preparedness Coordinators
- Emergency Management Program Leads
- Others, such as Facilities Management Staff, Administrative, and Support Staff, and
- Clinicians.

Save the Dates: Central Coalition dates: Sept 12 St. Cloud
West Central Coalition: Sept 24 or 26 Fergus Falls
Watch for more details to come! [Click here:](#) for more information.

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Non-
Coalition
Training
Opportunity

Note please – the Coalition has been asked to share this with you. We are not directly providing the training/exercise, nor are we involved in the design/content of the training/exercise.



AUGUST

- **Educational Webinar** - [Liberty Hospital Ransomware Attack](#) - August 14, 2024, 11am CDT - presented by Carolyn Wells, Trauma and Emergency Preparedness Manager, Liberty Hospital
- **Virtual Networking** - [Collaborate with Colleagues](#) - August 27, 2024, 11am CDT



2024/25 Central and WC Meeting Calendar

July 2024						
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2024/2025 Coalition Calendar

Note the color-coding key at the bottom.

****NOTE - calendar invites trump this calendar****

Central All Coalition - Regional Meeting - face to face 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Central Regional Meeting - virtual 1 p.m. - 2 p.m.
Central Region Advisory Committee Meeting - 1 p.m. - 2 p.m.
Regional Surge Exercise - 4th Thursday of March

West Central All Coalition - Regional Meeting - face to face 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.
West Central Regional meeting - virtual 9 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.
Regional Full Scale Communications Exercise 1:30 p.m.
Mini communications exercise
West Central Advisory Committee Meeting 11 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Federal holidays 2024/25

Jul 4, 2024	Independence Day	Nov 11, 2024	Veterans Day	Jan 1, 2025	New Year's Day	May 26, 2025	Memorial Day
Sep 2, 2024	Labor Day	Nov 28, 2024	Thanksgiving Day	Jan 20, 2025	Martin L. King Day	Jun 19, 2025	Juneteenth
Oct 14, 2024	Columbus Day	Dec 25, 2024	Christmas Day	Feb 17, 2025	Presidents' Day		

THE COALITION TEAM.....



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