



Health Care
Coalitions Weekly
Update:
November 21, 2024

This week's update includes:

- Dec 4th Communications Exercise Information
- Updated Baxter IV Solution Shortage Information
- New Respiratory Protection Resources on our Website
- Lots of great training opportunities coming up
- And More!

Follow up needed.....

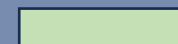
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Legend for the backgrounds in the update:

Hospital/Healthcare



All Membership



SNF/Assisted Living/Home Health Hospice



Coalitions Contact Information

Email us at cwhealthcarecoalitions@centracare.com

[Visit the Coalition Website](#)

Emergency 24/7 Phone: 320-654-2720



Have a fabulous Thanksgiving! We are extremely thankful for all of you and the incredible work you do!! 

Note: We will not have a weekly review next week. We do not have any meetings until next year, so make sure to stay updated with our weekly reviews!





Monthly Communications Exercise

Our exercise on Dec 4th will only test 800MHz radios.

We will update the calendar invite with details including talkgroup information. A goal with this exercise is to get additional people trained- if you typically do the check in, use this opportunity to invite another staff member to participate/train with you.

Regional Huddle/Regional Collaboration.. A support for hospitals

Regional Huddles are scheduled bi-weekly on Thursdays from 8:30-9:00am. Meeting cadence is variable based upon need. A great opportunity for healthcare facilities in our region to collaborate! Currently discussing the IV Shortage Situation at these meetings.

Please email cwhealthcarecoalitions@centracare.com to request a calendar invite to this huddle.

Participation is not required, and attendance is not taken. This is a way for the healthcare facilities in our region to collaborate.



Baxter IV Solution Shortage Information and Resources

- **Most recent update from Baxter:** [Hurricane Helene Updates | Baxter](#)
- [MDH Recommendations for Ethical Allocation of Sterilized Fluids](#)
- **Intravenous Fluid Shortage Strategies:**
During shortages of sterile fluids for intravenous (IV) injection, hospitals and healthcare providers must modify usual practices for administration to conserve product. The information in ASPR's [Intravenous Fluid Shortage Strategies tip sheet](#) is derived from existing published resources, based primarily on previous shortage experiences.
- **Shortage Strategies and Resources: Peritoneal Dialysis Solution**
Medical product shortages and disaster-induced impacts from hurricanes and other extreme weather incidents can disrupt dialysis treatment and access to critical supplies. ASPR's [Shortage Strategies and Resources: Peritoneal Dialysis Solution](#) tipsheet can help healthcare providers adapt to a shortage of peritoneal dialysis solution.

The Metro Coalition is hosting a statewide call in response to the IV Shortage Situation. Their next meeting is Wednesday the 27th Please email the coalition for a meeting invite to this call.

Reminder: If you have a supply need, please reach out to the coalition at cwhealthcarecoalitions@centracare.com



Winter Weather Awareness Reminders

The National Weather Service issues outlooks, watches, warnings and advisories for all winter weather hazards. Here's what they mean and what to do:

OUTLOOK: Winter storm conditions are possible in the next 2-5 days. Stay tuned to local media for updates.

WATCH: Winter storm conditions are possible within the next 36-48 hours. Prepare now!

WARNING: Life-threatening severe winter conditions have begun or will begin within 24 hours. Act now.

ADVISORY: Winter weather conditions are expected to cause significant inconveniences and may be hazardous. If you are cautious, these situations should not be life threatening. Electronic equipment is available to receive weather information: NOAA Weather Radio, radio, television, and cellphone.

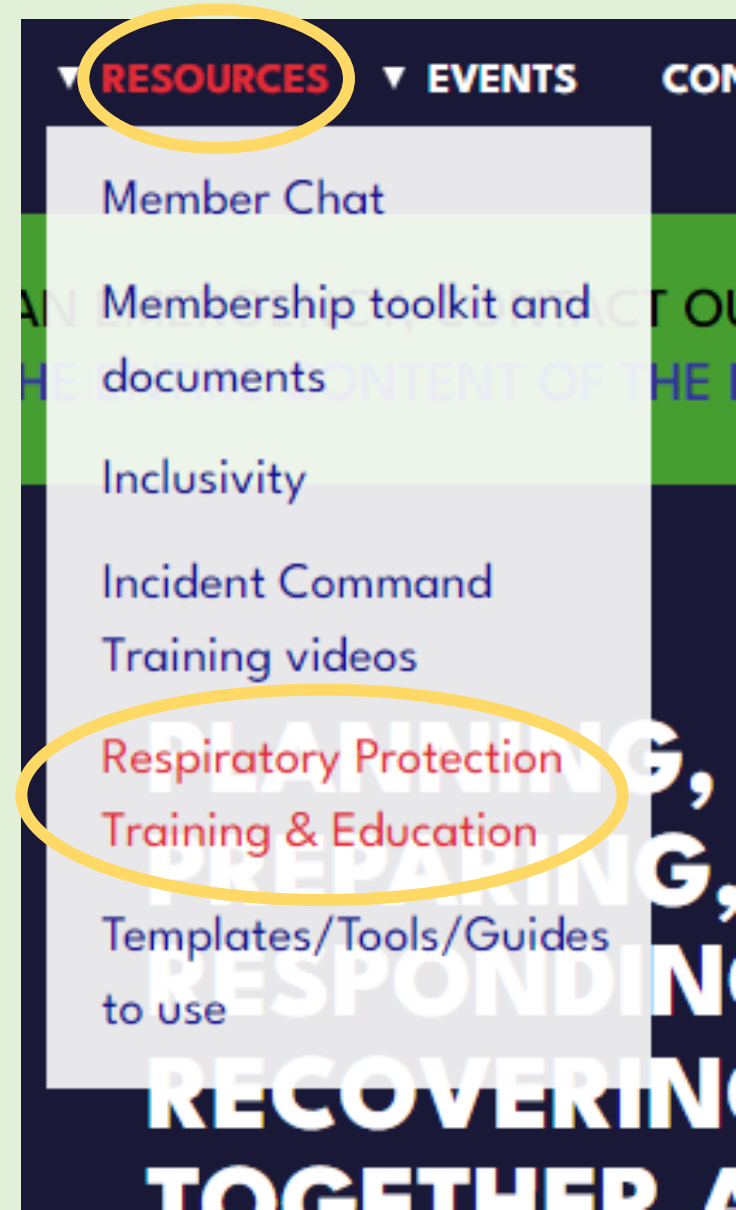
Blizzard Warning	Winter Storm Warning	Winter Weather Advisory
Severe winter weather is expected within the next 12 to 36 hours or is occurring -- including whiteout conditions. Do not travel.	Dangerous winter weather is expected within the next 12 to 36 hours or is occurring. Considerable travel problems are expected.	Potentially dangerous winter weather is expected within the next 12 to 36 hours or is occurring. Travel difficulties are expected.
take action.	take action.	be aware.



Helpful Resources/Information:

- ❖ [Homeland Security and Emergency Management of Minnesota Winter Safety Page](#) and [One-Pager](#)
- ❖ National Weather Service: [Winter \(weather.gov\)](http://www.weather.gov)
- ❖ MNDOT: Minnesota 511 Travel Information | MnDOT (511mn.org)
- ❖ [Winter Weather | Ready.gov](#)
- ❖ Thin ice, winter activities, frostbite hypothermia, shoveling snow and protecting the vulnerable are just a few items to note when it comes to staying safe outdoors in the winter months. [Outdoor winter safety](#)
- ❖ With an increase in cooking, using a fireplace and using more flammable objects around the house in the winter (trees, candles, decorations), fire safety is a hazard during the winter. [Fire Facts and Tips](#)

Check out the new page on our website for respiratory protection resources!



www.cwchealthcarecoalitions.org

MNTrac API Bed Availability Feature



Did you know MNTrac.org now offers a feature allowing bed availability to be shared automatically through an Application Programming Interface (API)? This enhancement will save healthcare staff valuable time, eliminating the need for manual logins and data entry.

[Click here](#) to view the technical setup guide for your administrators and IT team to help get you started.

Email health.hpp@state.mn.us if you have any questions or concerns as you consider implementing this feature across your organizations.



Healthcare

Preparedness in the News

AHEPP featured the following stories and resources in their recent update:

[Portland Hospital Staff Describe Reign of 'Terror' before Visitor Killed Security Guard: OSHA Report](#)

['Bomb Cyclone' Threatens Northern California and Pacific Northwest](#)

[Don't Wait for a Holiday Surge. Now is a Good Time to get your Flu and COVID-19 Vaccines](#)

Read about:

- ❖ [Hospital cybersecurity on a limited budget](#)
- ❖ [The impact of cyberattacks on revenue cycle management: action steps experts recommend taking now](#)

Public Information in Emergencies



Public Information Officer Virtual Training

Monday, November 25th 1:00-2:00

Intended Audience:

Public Information Officers, EOC Staff, First Responders, Elected Officials, Emergency Managers

[Click here](#) for more information

THINGS YOU'LL LEARN

- ▶ What is the role of the Public Information Officer during an emergency response?
- ▶ What are the important roles and responsibilities of the PIO during an incident?
- ▶ What types of information should be processed and released to the public and when?
- ▶ What are some best-practice examples of PIO's during incidents and what can we learn from them?
- ▶ What existing resources and trainings are their for more advanced PIO-related training?
- ▶ Open floor for shared experiences and storytelling

Non-Coalition
Training
Opportunities

FREE

4-hour In
Person
Individual
COOP
Technical
Assistance
Sessions
Available for
Hospitals!



These personal sessions support hospital COOP plan development and provide 1:1 planning guidance. Use these sessions however you'd like!

Develop a plan or work on a specific area of need with an experienced Subject Matter Expert! All hospitals are able to schedule up to a 4-hour session. Take advantage of this incredible opportunity!

Contact Lauren Smith at mnruralcoop@allclearmg.com with any questions or to discuss your hospitals needs.

[Click here](#) for more information

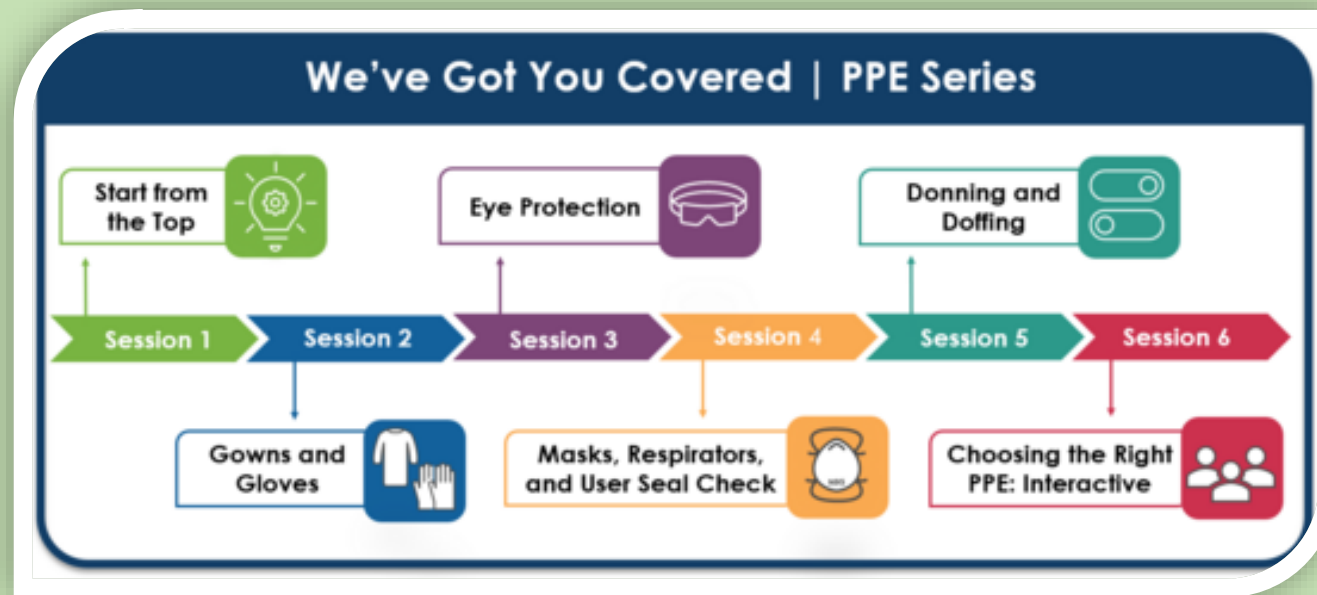
At this time, this is only available for hospitals. This could potentially be opening up to LTC/AL. Please reach out to cwhealthcarecoalitions@centracare.com if this would be of interest to you.

Limited Sessions
Available
Register ASAP!

Project Firstline PPE Training Series

Registration is now open for our new MDH Project Firstline training series! Join us for a six-part series on all things personal protective equipment (PPE)!

Each part will include a 30-minute training session followed by optional 10-minute Q&A designed to benefit those that interact with patients, residents, and clients and/or their environment.



Non- Coalition
Training
Opportunities

[Register for MDH Project Firstline PPE Training Series](#)

m DEPARTMENT
OF HEALTH

**PROJECT
FIRSTLINE**
CDC's National Training Collaborative
for Healthcare Infection Prevention & Control

MEDICAL MANAGEMENT OF CHEMICAL, BIOLOGICAL, RADIOLOGICAL, NUCLEAR AND EXPLOSIVE (CBRNE) EVENTS PER-211



National Emergency
Response and Recovery
Training Center



When & Where...

- May 5th – 7th, 2025 -or- May 7th – 9th, 2025
 - Class starts May 6th or May 8th @ 0900
 - Class ends May 7th or May 9th @ 1630
 - 45 seats per session
- Camp Ripley, MN
 - Lodging provided May 5th & 6th or May 7th & 8th
 - Meals provided
 - May 6th & 8th
 - Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
 - May 7th & 9th
 - Breakfast & Lunch

Registration...



Or [click here](#)
to register

See Course Description – next slide

CEUs – 16 hours

MEDICAL MANAGEMENT OF CHEMICAL, BIOLOGICAL, RADIOLOGICAL, NUCLEAR AND EXPLOSIVE (CBRNE) EVENTS PER-211



National Emergency
Response and Recovery
Training Center



Description...

- What if a catastrophic event occurs?
- Will you be ready?
- Will you need a special level of protection?
- Is decontamination necessary?
- Do you have the right medications?
 - This course answers these questions and more as you learn how to distinguish between different agents of concern that could be used in an incident. A combination of facilitated discussions, small-group exercises, human patient simulator hands-on scenarios, and traditional classroom discussions are used to present the topics. The multi-discipline make-up of the participants helps to strengthen information sharing, communications, and medical surge capabilities.

Topics...

- Planning and Preparing for the Hazardous/ Active Threat Environment
- Identifying and Responding to a Hazardous/ Active Threat Environment using the RAPIDCare algorithm
- Personal protective measures and equipment for the Hazardous/Active Threat Environment
- Identifying and caring for victims exposed to a Chemical, Biological, Radiological/Nuclear (CBRN) agent
- Decontamination of victims exposed to a Chemical, Biological, Radiological/Nuclear (CBRN) agent
- Triage and medical care of casualties during a CBRNE incident, Complex Coordinated Terrorist Attack or Active Shooter/Hostile Event

See Course Pre-Requisites and Registration Info – next slide

MEDICAL MANAGEMENT OF CHEMICAL, BIOLOGICAL, RADIOLOGICAL, NUCLEAR AND EXPLOSIVE (CBRNE) EVENTS PER-211



Pre-Requisites...

- FEMA CDP HERT Virtual Course
 - Topics
 - HICS & NIMS
 - PPE
 - Health Effects of CBRNE
 - Emergency Treatment Area
 - Hospital Decontamination
 - Staff Accountability
 - Class Dates
 - January 20th – 23rd, 2025
 - March 24th – 27th, 2025
 - 0800-1000 or 2000-2200 daily
 - Must attend 1 session per day

Registration...



Or [click here](#) to register

CEUs – 8 hours

OSHA FIRST RECEIVER TRAINING

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

- On-line modular training offered by coalition in 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
Training
Opportunities





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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