



Health Care  
Coalitions Weekly  
Update:  
February 6, 2025

### This week's update includes:

- MRSE Registration Information
- Weather Update
- Registration Closing Soon for the COOP Workshops
- Training Opportunities
- And More!

**Follow up  
needed.....**

**Register for the MRSE-  
Registration Closes 2/21**

### Legend for the backgrounds in the update:

Hospital/Healthcare



All Membership



SNF/Assisted Living/Home Health Hospice



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**! Emergency 24/7 Phone: 320-654-2720**

# MEDICAL RESPONSE & SURGE EXERCISE

## EXERCISE INFORMATION



### Exercise Date

March 27th, 2025



### Exercise Time

9:00am - 12:00pm



### Exercise Location

Virtual (Zoom)

## WHO SHOULD REGISTER?



**Hospitals**, EMS, Emergency Management, Public Health, Tribal Nations, Home Care, Long Term Care, Clinics, AFN advocacy groups, resource suppliers, and more!

Only 1 registration needed per participating facility

Registration closes 2/21

[Click here for more information](#)

## Registered Organizations

### WEST CENTRAL Region:

Alomere Health- Alexandria

Bethany on the Lake

Lake Region Healthcare – Elbow Lake

Lake Region Healthcare – Fergus Falls

### CENTRAL Region:

Annandale Care Center

CentraCare Monticello

CentraCare St Cloud Hospital

Crow Wing Public Health

Cura of Melrose

Essentia Health – Sandstone

Highland Senior Living

Lakewood Health System – Staples

St. Gabriel's – Little Falls

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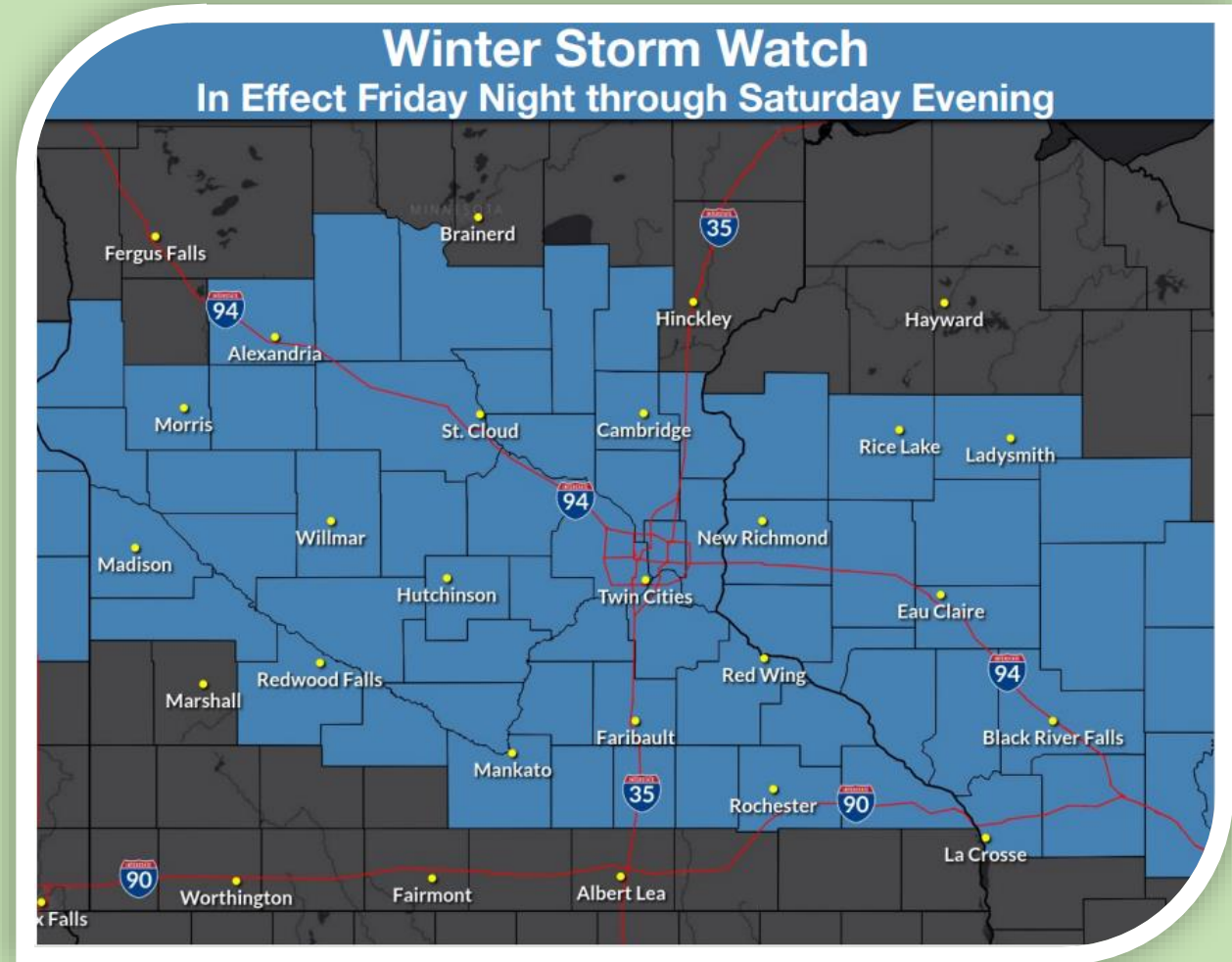
The Estates at Delano

# WEATHER UPDATE

Strong west-northwest winds will gradually diminish today, with the Wind Advisory still in effect through 6pm this evening.

Accumulating snow remains on track to begin Friday night across western Minnesota and spread east into the Twin Cities and western Wisconsin. Latest trends continue to hint at a slightly weaker and faster moving system which would support totals on the lower end of the Winter Storm Watch range.

[Click here](#) to find the latest Decision Support Packet



# 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)





- [Tariffs on China threaten to drive up drug costs, exacerbate shortages: 5 notes](#)
- [ASCs in the wake of natural disasters: 10 notes on response efforts](#)
- [IV shortfall prompts new conservation practices](#)
- [30 health systems urge hospital-at-home extension](#)



# FREE Rural Continuity Of Operations Plan (COOP) Workshops

Continuity Of Operations Planning is used for mitigation and planning strategies that create resilience and allow services to continue to be provided in the face of a range of challenges.

The Minnesota Department of Health (MDH) contracted with All Clear Emergency Management Group to conduct two in-person workshops to help rural hospitals, long-term care facilities, skilled nursing facilities, and assisted living facilities develop their COOP.

## Workshop 1



February 18, 2025



10:00-2:00 (Lunch Provided)



CentraCare Monticello

## Workshop 2



February 20, 2025



10:00-2:00 (Lunch Provided)



Steele County Administration  
Bldg. - Owatonna

[Click here to register  
for a workshop](#)



### Rural COOP Technical Assistance for LTC Facilities:

An additional opportunity for 1:1 customized COOP guidance, provided by COOP experts who will work directly with your staff to fill out a COOP that works for your facility. All Clear consultants will travel to your facility for an in person technical assistance session of up to 4 hours. Available for all hospitals, LTC facilities, including SNFs and ALFs. **Strongly recommended** that facilities attend one of the workshops first. Limited spots available through June 2025. [Click here](#) for more information and to register



## Minnesota Health Equity Networks: Training Session and Statewide Gathering

Non-Coalition  
Training  
Opportunities

### **Networks Mini Gathering: Well Water, Feb. 11 from 10 to 11 a.m.**

Register to receive the meeting link: [RSVP | Well Water Mini Gathering Feb. 11](#)

- Meet Dan Wilson and the networks to learn about health equity and well water. Dan is a farmer who lives in rural Winona County. He is a member of the 2024/2025 Project REACH Cohort, a University of Minnesota project to train rural advocates for public health. He is focusing on nitrate contamination of private wells.

### **Statewide Gathering: Feb. 19, 2025, 1:30 to 3 p.m.**

Register to receive the meeting link: [RSVP | Statewide Gathering Feb. 19](#)

- **Inclusive Leadership:** This interactive training by Engage Winona offers tips and tools for meaningful community engagement in leadership and advisory roles, with a special emphasis on involving people with lived experience of multiple complex needs. The training applies trauma-informed and healing-centered principles to leadership and engagement practices. Engage Winona is a nonprofit organization that promotes community and civic involvement in the greater Winona, MN area.

# AWR-232: Mass Fatalities Planning & Response for Rural Communities

## When:

March 10<sup>th</sup> 8:00-5:00

## Where:

Aitkin County Government Center

## Cost:

Free- Lunch included

## Course Description

This 8-hour awareness-level, instructor-led course is designed to prepare rural first responders and officials with the basic knowledge, skills and abilities to manage a mass fatality incident impacting their jurisdiction. Target audience includes first responders, coroners/medical examiners, public health officials, and others with responsibilities during a mass fatality incident. Issues addressed include establishing roles and responsibilities, assets management, remains processing and identification, diversity issues and development of a mass fatality plan that affect the construct of a mass fatality response.

[Click here to register](#)

\*Register by 2/24/25\*





# Project Firstline Training Session: Environmental Cleaning & Disinfection



Join us for our next MDH Project Firstline Table Talk on Environmental Cleaning and Disinfection. Even on surfaces, germs can linger and pose infection risks. Regular cleaning and disinfection of surfaces in health care settings is critical for effective infection control.

The 30-minute training session is followed by optional Q&A and is designed to benefit those that interact with patients/residents/clients and/or their environment.

**Wednesday, Feb. 19, 2025 | 1 - 1:40 p.m. CST**

- [Register for Project Firstline Training Session: Environmental Cleaning and Disinfection](#)
- Join by phone: 1-855-282-6330 (Toll Free)
- Access code: 2494 471 1799

## Learning objectives

- Explain the difference between cleaning and disinfection.
- Understand the role of environmental surfaces for transmission of infections in health care settings.
- Discuss why it is important to follow the label instructions on a disinfectant product.
- Describe strategies to prevent the spread of infectious materials.



Non-Coalition  
Training  
Opportunities

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



National Emergency  
Response and Recove  
Training Center



## When & Where...

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



## 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 20<sup>th</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2025
    - March 24<sup>th</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup>, 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 2025:
  - March 24<sup>th</sup>-27<sup>th</sup>, 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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August 2024						
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September 2024						
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October 2024						
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February 2025						
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April 2025						
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June 2025						
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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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