



Public Health Staff: Training, Education, Network Building, and Exercising

Public health staff and volunteer training is based on “core competencies”. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) supported and published a document called “Bioterrorism & Emergency Readiness: Competencies for All Public Health Workers”.¹ This document was forwarded to Public Health Agencies and is designed to assist in the assessment and identification of training needs of public health department staff. Further, the public health staff receive continuous training on various topics including: incident command, radio and inter-agency communications, risk communication for media and public, mass casualty and mass exposure events, and personal readiness.



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