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## New & Noteworthy

### Thank You

Thank you to all those who were able to attend the HPP/PHEP Regional Meetings over the past few weeks. We hope that you found the workshops informational and beneficial. Please reach out to your Coalition Coordinator if you have questions or would like additional information on the Compassion Fatigue Workshop.

### Last Chance! Advanced Disaster Life Support Course

May 27 and 28, 2022

Fairmont Hot Springs

ADLS is an advanced practicum course for the trained BDLs provider. It is an intensive, 2-day course that allows students to demonstrate competencies in casualty decontamination, specified essential skills, and mass casualty incident information system/technology applications. Using simulated, all-hazards scenarios and mass casualty incidents, ADLS makes use of four interactive sessions in which participants treat simulated patients in various disaster drills and situations. Training is focused on the development of hands-on skills to allow participants to apply the knowledge learned in BDLs.

Participants MUST have completed the Basic Disaster Life Support (BDLS) course within the past three years. This course is open to Montana Residents only.

The Regional Healthcare Coalitions will be reimbursing mileage at the state rate and lodging for Friday and Saturday ONLY (additional night for travelers over 250 miles from Anaconda). Participants must make

own reservation and pay then submit for reimbursement. Participants from the Western Regional Healthcare Coalition (WRHCC) must adhere to the [WRHCC Travel Policy](#) regarding reimbursement.

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Contact Gerry Wheat, 406-444-6736, [gwheat@mt.gov](mailto:gwheat@mt.gov) to obtain the registration code prior to registering.

[Register Now](#)

## Family Assistance Training Announcement

The Western Region Healthcare Coalition (WRHCC) and Missoula County Office of Emergency Management are pleased to announce the upcoming Family Assistance Training on June 14 and 15 in Missoula. View the [informational flyer](#) for additional information.

This training is open to all ESF-8 partners in all four Regional Healthcare Coalitions, with lodging and mileage covered in accordance with each region's Executive Committee decision and travel policy. Please reach out to your Coalition Coordinator for further direction; if you are unfamiliar with to which region you belong, or if you do not know who your Coordinator is, please email [hppcoordinators@mtha.org](mailto:hppcoordinators@mtha.org) and your Coordinator will respond as soon as they are able.

The training is open and available to non-ESF-8 partners as well, but due to grant constrictions we are unable to offer travel assistance to non-ESF-8 partners at this time.

Nick Holloway is the local POC for questions regarding the training, Kyrsten Brinkley will be your point of contact for WRHCC ESF-8 partners not located in Missoula County and for any questions related to WRHCC travel reimbursement for the training. Our contact information is located below.

Register here: <http://missoula.co/fr-training>.

The room block information is as follows:

**At this time, rooms are available to all registered participants for the training, with lodging and mileage reimbursement eligible to all eligible ESF-8 partners. Please do not hesitate to reach out if you have questions regarding reimbursement.** In addition to meeting the partnership and travel policy guidelines, bringing a paper copy of your hotel receipt to the second day of class will expedite the reimbursement process greatly. The training is scheduled to from 0800-1630 both days, with lunch and snacks provided. If attendees from the WRHCC wish to attend, please review and adhere to the WRHCC [Travel Policy](#).

Also note, the room blocks rates have a **hard** expiration date of 30 May.

The room information follows:

Use the following link to book a room at the Holiday Inn Express, Missoula: [Family Reunification Training](#)

Use this link to book a room at the Best Western Grant Creek Inn, Missoula: [https://www.bestwestern.com/en\\_US/book/hotel-rooms.27071.html?groupId=2C00X509](https://www.bestwestern.com/en_US/book/hotel-rooms.27071.html?groupId=2C00X509)

POC: Kyrsten Brinkley, 406-370-0875, [kyrsten.brinkley@mtha.org](mailto:kyrsten.brinkley@mtha.org) or Nick Holloway, 406-258-3631, [nholloway@missoulacounty.us](mailto:nholloway@missoulacounty.us)

## **Listening Session for the Proposed Hospital and Critical Access Hospital Requirements for Continued COVID-19 Reporting and Reporting in the Event of a Future Public Health Emergency (PHE) Declaration for an Infectious Disease**

On May 24th and May 25th, 2022 at 3:00 PM ET, the Centers for Disease Control & Prevention (CDC) and the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response (ASPR) are hosting a virtual listening session on the proposed hospital data reporting portion of the [Fiscal Year 2023 Inpatient Prospective Payment System and Long-term Care Hospital Prospective Payment System \(IPPS/LTCH PPS\) Proposed Rule \(CMS-1771-P\)](#). During the listening session, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) will provide an overview of the proposed hospital data reporting provisions for COVID-19 after the conclusion of the current PHE, as well as future PHE declarations related to acute respiratory illness, SARS-CoV-2/COVID-19, and other viral and bacterial pathogens or infectious diseases.

You are invited to provide your feedback on the proposed policy and help inform CMS's approach to these proposed hospital data reporting requirements. Prior to the listening session, you are encouraged to review the proposed rule and be prepared to speak to the following topic areas during the call:

- If the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency were to expire, the reporting requirements proposed in the rule would be triggered with potential reporting until April 30, 2024. How could CMS mitigate challenges and unintended consequences? What efforts can CMS take to support transition from the existing COVID-19 reporting requirements to the continued COVID-19 reporting requirements proposed in the rule?
- The regulation proposes to allow for the flexibility to reduce or limit the scope and frequency of the data reporting required based on the state of the PHE and ongoing circumstances. What is the current burden and financial impacts associated with COVID-19 reporting?
  - How will this burden increase or decrease if the COVID-19 PHE were to expire and the proposed requirements for continued COVID-19 reporting were implemented?
  - For future PHE declarations, what type of financial considerations are necessary to ensure readiness and compliance in the event data reporting is required as proposed?

- How significant are the variations in burden impacts based on the public health response to one specific pathogen or infectious disease versus another that would be directly related to a declared PHE? Are there different burden considerations when the PHE declaration is local, regional, or national?
- How could CMS best align and incentivize preparedness, while also reducing burden and costs on regulated entities, and ensuring flexibility to quickly be informed and respond during emergencies?
- What is an appropriate timeline and notification process to ensure that facilities are well aware in advance of CMS's intention to collect such information for both continued COVID-19 reporting and reporting in the event of a future PHE declaration?

The proposed rule has a 60-day comment period, and comments can be submitted on [regulations.gov](https://www.regulations.gov) until 5:00 PM ET on June 17, 2022.

**The intended audience for the two listening sessions is different, so please use the registration link below that best describes your affiliation and/or perspective.**

**May 24, 2022:** State, territorial, local, and tribal (STLT) public health and emergency response agencies—and associations that represent them or their workforce.

*Register for this listening session [here](#)*

**May 25, 2022:** Hospitals, health systems, and associations that represent them.

*Register for this listening session [here](#)*

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## **ASPR TRACIE Wildfire-Related Resources**

Check out Issue 10 of [ASPR TRACIE's Exchange: Preparing for and Responding to Wildfires and Planned Outages](#). The [Hospital Evacuation during a Wildfire and Pandemic: Avista Adventist Shares their Experience](#) article highlights health care workers' experiences evacuating a hospital that includes a large neonatal intensive care unit during a wildfire.

In addition, the following ASPR TRACIE Topic Collections may help with preparing for and responding to wildfires:

- [Healthcare Facility Evacuation/Sheltering](#),
  - [Natural Disasters](#),
  - [Risk Communications/Emergency Public Information and Warning](#),
  - [Social Media in Emergency Response](#), and
  - [Utility Failures](#).
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## Data & Situational Awareness

### Updates on Daily Reporting

Please continue to update EMResource and/or HHS TeleTracking on a daily basis with all required data.

### Missed Data in TeleTracking

If a facility misses a day reporting into EMResource and TeleTracking, there is a process for doing a manual entry backdate. Users must log into the TeleTracking then click on Add New Entry. There is now a dropdown where you can choose the date to submit data for. This process is much simpler than uploading the template for missed data. **Ensure that ALL fields are entered or the data will not be counted for compliance.** We still encourage hospitals to enter data into EMResource *daily* by 1200.

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## Upcoming Events

### Meetings

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#### Coalition Executive Committee Meetings

Western Region - June 2, 13:00 - 15:00 via [Zoom](#)

Southern Region - June 13, 11:00 - 13:00 via [Zoom](#)

#### 2022 Wildfire Leadership Conference

Sponsored by the Montana County Fire Warden's Association

May 22 - 23, 2022

[Agenda, Registration & Hotel Details](#)

POC: Patrick Lonergran, 406-548-0116 or [patrick@readygallatin.com](mailto:patrick@readygallatin.com)

### Webinars

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#### CISA Region 8 Training and Exercise Resources Webinar

May 26, 2022 10:00 - 11:00 MDT

[View Flyer](#)

[Registration](#)

#### Emergency Medical Treatment and Labor Act (EMTALA) Series

May 25

All courses 09:00 - 11:00

[Learn More and Register](#)

### **CISA Region 8 Training and Exercise Resources Webinar**

May 26, 2022 10:00 - 11:00 MDT

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### **CISA Region 8 Dams Sector Security Forum**

June 9, 2022, 10:00 - 11:00

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[Register](#)

### **Performance Improvement Virtual RHC Summer Summit**

June 21 - 22, 10:00 - 12:00 Mountain

[Agenda and Registration](#)

### **FEMA Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) Program Manager**

July 25 - 28, 12:00 - 16:00 MDT

[View Flyer](#)

### **EOC Virtual Classes hosted by EMI**

View the full Course Catalog [here](#).

### **[Montana Health Network Course Catalog](#)**

### **[CISA Cyber Training Bulletin - March and April](#)**

### **[ICDP Training Calendar](#)**

## In-Person Trainings

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### **SafetyFestMT - Missoula 2022**

Virtual: May 23 - 27, 2022

[Agenda](#)

[Registration](#)

### **Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) Training**

May 23 - 25, 2022

RiverStone Health - Billings

Available positions very limited, email POC to be placed on wait list

POC: Morgan Miller, 406-247-3276, [morgan.mil@riverstonehealth.org](mailto:morgan.mil@riverstonehealth.org)

### **Assisting Individuals in Crisis and Group Crisis Intervention**

CISM Basic Group and Individual Peer Support

May 24 - 26, 2022, 08:00 - 17:00

Montana Highway Patrol Offices

304 Colorado Blvd, Glendive

[View Registration Brochure](#)

POC: Carol Burroughs, [carolatwork@montana.net](mailto:carolatwork@montana.net)

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### **Bakken Human Trafficking Summit**

June 23, 2022, 7:30 am - 5:00 pm CDT

Watford City, ND, Rough Rider Center

Cost \$50.00

[Registration](#)

Save the Dates

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### **Jeremy Bullock Safe Schools Summit**

August 9 and 10, 2022

[Additional Information](#)

### **K0449 Virtual ICS Curricula Train the Trainer**

August 8 - 12, 6:30 - 15:30 each day

September 19 - 23, 6:30 - 15:30 each day

[Registration](#)

POC: Rick Flick, 301-447-1633, [russell.flick@fema.dhs.gov](mailto:russell.flick@fema.dhs.gov)

### **Group and Individual Crisis Intervention**

September 13 - 15, 2022

Havre, MT, additional information forthcoming

POC: Carol Burroughs, 406-580-4443, [carolatwork@montana.net](mailto:carolatwork@montana.net)

### **K0427 Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) Program Manager (Virtual)**

Multiple Dates beginning October 2022

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### **K0428 Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) Train-the-Trainer (Virtual)**

Multiple Dates beginning December 2022

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### **Group and Individual Crisis Intervention**

December 2022

Kalispell, MT, additional information forthcoming

POC: Carol Burroughs, 406-580-4443, [carolatwork@montana.net](mailto:carolatwork@montana.net)

## **Engagement & Other News**

### **Mental Health Resources for Healthcare**

Since May is Mental Health Month, the Healthcare Coalitions wanted to share some resources from the NACCHO Newsletter.

[IHI Guide to Promoting Health Care Workforce Well-Being](#)

[CDC How Right Now Website](#)

### **CISA Cyber Update**

To view the items of note from DHS/CISA this week, please click [here](#).

### **Questions?**

We are committed to supporting you and answering questions as quickly as possible. Please send any questions or comments to [hppcoordinators@mtha.org](mailto:hppcoordinators@mtha.org).

Visit the [Montana Regional Healthcare Coalitions](#) website for additional information and resources.





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