

NORTH CENTRAL TEXAS TRAUMA REGIONAL ADVISORY COUNCIL

### TRAINING AND EXERCISE CIRCULAR JANUARY 2024

### EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS





### **Emergency Preparedness** Tabletop Exercises



### TRAINING

#### VIRTUAL CRISIS APPLICATIONS TRAINING FOR EMRESOURCE

Description: EMResource is a daily use web-based software that shows the current status and clinical or response capabilities for hospitals and EMS agencies. It is also used to locate the closest available air medical unit and for regional notifications to hospitals and EMS agencies.



#### **HOSPITAL EMERGENCY RESPONSE TRAINING (HERT)**

**Description:** This two-day course prepares healthcare responders to utilize the Hospital Incident Command System — integrating into the community emergency response network while operating an Emergency Treatment Area as hospital first responders during an MCI involving patient contamination. The healthcare responders will determine and use appropriate PPE and conduct triage followed by decontamination of ambulatory and non-ambulatory patients as members of a HERT.

### JANUARY 18 - JANUARY 19, 2024 TEXAS HEALTH PLANO, 6200 WEST PARKER BLVD. PLANO CLASS IS FULL



### JULY 18 - JULY 19, 2024 LOCATION TBD





### TRAINING

#### **ICS 300 - INTERMEDIATE ICS FOR EXPANDING INCIDENTS**

**Description:** This course is intended to serve as a vehicle to share proven incident management strategies and practices, as well as to enhance teamwork and coordination among the agency's mid-level managers and command staff directly responsible for emergency response to all-hazards incidents in which the Incident Command System is employed.

JANUARY 29 - JANUARY 31, 2024
SANSOM PARK CITY HALL 5705 AZLE AVE, FORT WORTH, TX

 FEBRUARY 12 - FEBRUARY 14, 2024
 ARLINGTON WEST POLICE CENTER, 2060 W GREEN OAKS BLVD, ARLINGTON, TX

 FEBRUARY 26 - FEBRUARY 28, 2024
 ARLINGTON WEST POLICE CENTER, 2060 W GREEN OAKS BLVD, ARLINGTON, TX

#### **ICS 400 ADVANCED ICS FOR COMPLEX INCIDENTS**

Description: This course is specific to personnel who will be serving in the following positions: command or general staff in an ICS organization, select department heads with multi-agency coordination system responsibilities, area commanders, emergency managers, and multi-agency coordination system/emergency operations center managers.

# FEBRUARY 1 - FEBRUARY 2, 2024 SANSOM PARK CITY HALL 5705 AZLE AVE, FORT WORTH, TX FEBRUARY 15 - FEBRUARY 16, 2024

#### ARLINGTON WEST POLICE CENTER, 2060 W GREEN OAKS BLVD, ARLINGTON, TX

 FEBRUARY 29 - MARCH 1, 2024
 ARLINGTON WEST POLICE CENTER, 2060 W GREEN OAKS BLVD, ARLINGTON, TX



## TRAINING

#### **NCTTRAC LEARNING MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (LMS)**



Click on the link to view the NCTTRAC Education Station

### and join the <u>Training and Exercise Listserv</u>

### DRILLS

#### **REDUNDANT COMMUNICATION DRILL**

The idea behind the drill is to ensure that if the primary communication methods (cell phone and email) fail, each member of the healthcare coalition is able to communicate with one another and with NCTTRAC.

Communication Methods: Jurisdictional Commercial/Public Safety Radio, Amateur Radio (MUST have an Amateur Radio License), DFW Wide, DFW Connect, Satellite Phone, MSAT.

FEBRUARY 2024 DATE TBD FRIDAY, APRIL 26, 2024 10:00 AM—12:00 PM

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#### **MCI PATIENT SURGE CAPACITY REPORTING DRILL**

During an MCI, hospitals are asked to report their immediate MCI Patient Surge Capacity numbers in EMResource

- MCI Patient Surge Capacity numbers are reported according to START Triage categories (Green = Minor/Walking Wounded, Yellow = Delayed, Red = Immediate/Critical, Black = Deceased)
- Hospitals receive email/text notifications from EMResource prompting them to report their MCI Patient
- Surge Capacity numbers during real-world MCIs and during MCI Reporting Drills.

#### Drills are performed monthly.

Hospitals are required to participate in at least one MCI Patient Surge Capacity Reporting Drill each quarter.



## DRILLS

#### **PATIENT TRACKING DRILLS**

These drills will give both EMS and Hospital partners a chance to work in Pulsara with adding and receiving patients as you would in a Real-Life MCI.



#### **FRIDAY, JANUARY 26, 2024** FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2024 THURSDAY, MARCH 21, 2024

Patient Tracking Drills will be conducted monthly utilizing Pulsara.

- Participants registered will receive an email a few days prior to the drill with specific instructions.
- Participants will be given 1-Hour (10AM-11AM) on the day of the drill to complete the instructions given in the email.

Partners registering for the Monthly Patient Drills MUST have the following COMPLETED before the drills to participate:

- Have an ACTIVE Pulsara account with your agency or facility. https://www.pulsara.com/texas-resources
- Have access to the Pulsara Application via smartphone, tablet, or desktop (HQ) on the day of the drill. https://www.pulsara.com/faqs/which-web-browsers-and-mobile-devices-can-we-use
- Pulsara Application on mobile device MUST be updated to version 39+ or better to participate in the drill.
- · Have access to receive patient cards via email (NCTTRAC provided) on the day of the drill.
- Have ALREADY been TRAINED on Pulsara and its basic functionality. https://www.pulsara.com/texas-resources

- Each participating hospital user MUST be visible to EMS to receive simulated EMS transports (you can reach out to the Pulsara Team to confirm by emailing isa.rapp@pulsara.com)
- Each participating hospital user MUST have their status set to "On Call" to allow for notifications to be received from EMS when a patient is in-bound. https://knowledge.pulsara.com/en/managing-call-status
- Review the following Demo MCI Training video: <u>NCTTRAC DEMO MCI Training Overview</u>

#### **Participants will receive** HPP Performance Measure credit once completed.

## EXERCISES

#### **CHEMICAL EMERGENCY SURGE ANNEX TABLETOP EXERCISE**

This tabletop exercise will be discussion-based in response to an exercise scenario, intended to generate a dialogue of various issues to facilitate a conceptual understanding, identify strengths and areas for improvement, and/or achieve changes in perceptions about the Chemical Emergency Surge Annex.

The Chemical Emergency Surge Annex will be used as guidance to support a coordinated healthcare response to a chemical emergency in which the number and severity of exposed or possibly exposed patients challenges the capability of HCC member facilities.



#### FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2024

GRAND PRAIRIE EVENTS AND CONVENTION CENTER 2935 SH 161, GRAND PRAIRIE

#### **MEDICAL RESPONSE SURGE EXERCISE (MRSE)**

The MRSE uses a surge scenario to help healthcare coalitions and other stakeholders assess how well their members can work together to respond to a sudden health care crisis. It is an exercise designed to test a coalition's functional surge capacity and to identify gaps in surge planning.







## RESOURCES

#### **NURSING HOME STRONG**

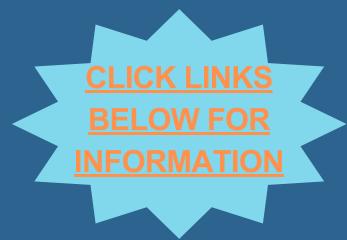
Nursing homes and assisted living facilities from around the country are invited to join this collaborative community to improve the quality of life for both residents, family members, and staff. This FREE online educational opportunity will cover relevant topics to nursing facility team members and provide a forum for peer support to build a network of STRONG nursing homes.



#### To learn more and register for Nursing Home STRONG - Click Here

#### Nursing Home STRONG Playlist

#### **Resources:** Outbreak Considerations For Long-Term Care Communities





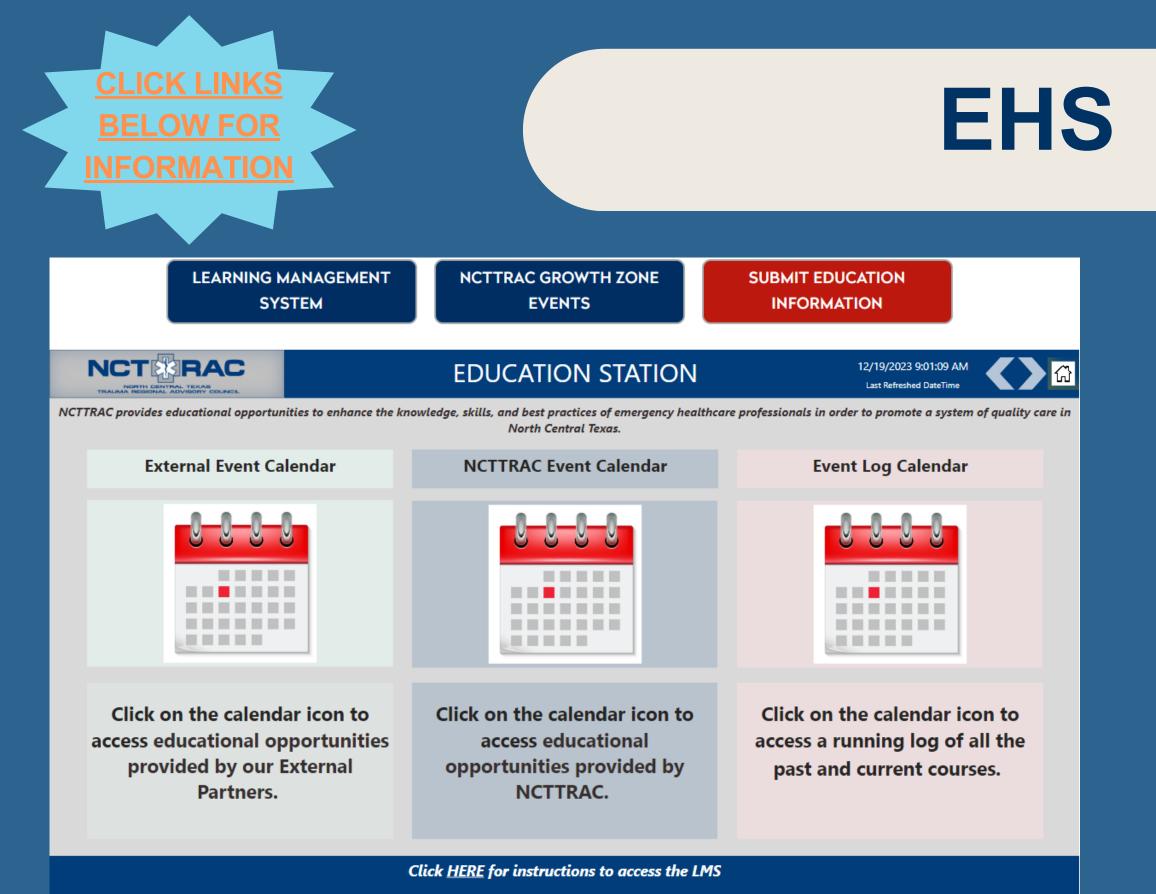
#### **American Academy of Pediatrics– Family Reunification Following Disasters**

**Cybersecurity Practices** 

**DHS Cyber Tabletop Exercise for the Healthcare Industry** 

**Healthcare System Cybersecurity Readiness & Response Considerations** 

<u>Tips for Healthcare Facilities: Assisting Families and Loved Ones after a Mass</u> <u>Casualty Incident</u>



\*\*\*Contact Melissa Christon for questions: <u>mchriston@ncttrac.org</u> or 817-607-7022\*\*\*

Visit the NCTTRAC website and click on the Education tab at the top. You'll be able to utilize the Education Station to:

- Share your education events with the region
- Access our GrowthZone course collection
- Access our Learning Management System (EMS/Nursing CE hours via recorded webinars)
- View the External Event calendar (see education events in our region)
- View the NCTTRAC Event calendar (see NCTTRAC-hosted events)
- View the Event Log calendar (all past and current events)



#### **EHS - EMERGENCY HEALTH SYSTEMS**

## **TRAINING KIT**

#### **STOP THE BLEED (STB) TRAINING KIT INITIATIVE**

#### Kit Supplies:

- Pelican Air Case
   Bleeding Control Trainer Leg/Thigh
   GSW in a Box
   Trainer Tourniquets
   Trainer Chest Seals
   Emergency Blankets
- **10 QuickClot Combat Gauze**
- **1 Box of Medium Gloves**
- **1 Box of Large Gloves**
- **1 Box of Extra-Large Gloves**
- 2 Rolls of Curaplex Gauze





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