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NORTH CENTRAL TEXAS
TRAUMA REGIONAL ADVISORY COUNCIL

TRAINING AND EXERCISE CIRCULAR APRIL 2024

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS



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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.

 [APRIL 16, 2024 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM](#)

 [JUNE 12, 2024 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM](#)



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.

 [APRIL 18 - APRIL 19, 2024](#)

 TEXAS HEALTH PLANO, 6200 WEST PARKER BLVD. PLANO

 [MAY 16 - MAY 17, 2024](#)

 TEXAS HEALTH CLEBURNE, 201 WALLS DR. CLEBURNE

 [JULY 18 - JULY 19, 2024](#)

 TEXAS HEALTH ALLIANCE, 10864 TEXAS HEALTH TRAIL, FORT WORTH

 [OCTOBER 17 - OCTOBER 18, 2024](#)

 TEXAS HEALTH PLANO, 6200 WEST PARKER BLVD. PLANO

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ASSISTING INDIVIDUALS IN CRISIS

Description: This 2-day course, combined with the Group Crisis Intervention course. It is a form of psychological or emotional first aid designed to begin the process of helping individuals, on a one-on-one basis, cope better with these incidents. Crisis Intervention is NOT psychotherapy or a substitute for psychotherapy, but rather a specialized, acute, emergency mental health intervention that follows specific protocols and requires specialized training.



[APRIL 11 - 12, 2024 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM](#)

GROUP CRISIS INTERVENTION

Description: This 2-day course, combined with the Assisting Individuals in Crisis course, comprise the two basic foundational courses for Critical Incident Stress Management (CISM), a process created to equip participants in providing basic, initial care for people who have experienced a critical incident. It is a form of “psychological or emotional first aid” designed to begin the process of helping individuals, using different group techniques, cope better with these incidents. Crisis Intervention is NOT psychotherapy or a substitute for psychotherapy, but rather a specialized, acute, emergency mental health intervention that follows specific protocols and requires specialized training.



[MAY 16-17, 2024 8:00 PM - 4:00 PM](#)



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LICENSED HAM RADIO OPERATOR'S CLASS

Description: This "hands-on" Ham Radio Operation class is for Licensed Ham Radio Operators. Students will learn how to use the Ham ICOM 2720, ICOM 7000, and Yaesu 8800 and learn some troubleshooting tips for participating in the redundant communications drills. These radios have been issued by NCTTRAC to regional hospitals and coalition partners to aid in redundant and emergency communication through the Hospital Preparedness Program.

Prerequisite: Must have Technician-Level Amateur Radio License for this class.



[APRIL 15, 2024 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM](#)



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TRAINING

NCTTRAC LEARNING MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (LMS)



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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.

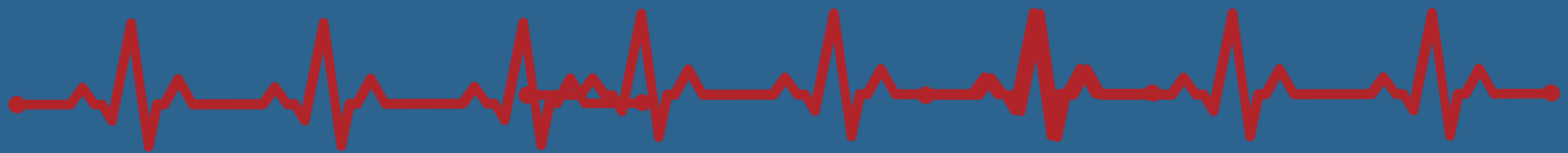
Communication Methods: Jurisdictional Commercial/Public Safety Radio, Amateur Radio (**MUST have an Amateur Radio License**), DFW Wide, DFW Connect, Satellite Phone, MSAT.

 **FRIDAY, APRIL 26, 2024 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM**

AMATEUR RADIO TROUBLESHOOTING SESSION

Held the Friday before the drill, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM

This is to allow partners time to troubleshoot any issues they may have with radio communications, before the actual drill. (**MUST have an Amateur Radio License**)



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.

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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.

 **THURSDAY, APRIL 18, 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: [NCTTRAC DEMO MCI Training Overview](#)

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

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EXERCISES

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.



FRIDAY, MAY 3, 2024



VIRTUAL

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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](#)

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RESOURCES

[American Academy of Pediatrics– Family Reunification Following Disasters](#)

[Cybersecurity Practices](#)

[DHS Cyber Tabletop Exercise for the Healthcare Industry.](#)

[Healthcare System Cybersecurity Readiness & Response Considerations](#)

[Tips for Healthcare Facilities: Assisting Families and Loved Ones after a Mass Casualty Incident](#)

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LEARNING MANAGEMENT
SYSTEM

NCTTRAC GROWTH ZONE
EVENTS

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NCTTRAC provides educational opportunities to enhance the knowledge, skills, and best practices of emergency healthcare professionals in order to promote a system of quality care in North Central Texas.

External Event Calendar



Click on the calendar icon to access educational opportunities provided by our External Partners.

NCTTRAC Event Calendar



Click on the calendar icon to access educational opportunities provided by NCTTRAC.

Event Log Calendar



Click on the calendar icon to access a running log of all the past and current courses.

Click [HERE](#) for instructions to access the LMS

Contact Melissa Christon for questions: mchriston@ncttrac.org 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)

EHS2@ncttrac.org

EHS - EMERGENCY HEALTH SYSTEMS

TRAINING KIT

STOP THE BLEED (STB) TRAINING KIT INITIATIVE

Kit Supplies:

1 Pelican Air Case
1 Bleeding Control Trainer Leg/Thigh
1 GSW in a Box
10 Trainer Tourniquets
2 Trainer Chest Seals
2 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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