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Welcome to the **November** issue of the Aware Prepare Update. This monthly electronic newsletter is your guide to upcoming satellite, videoconferencing and Webcast trainings related to preparedness. Here you will also find instructional guides for the NYSDOH Learning Management System “NY Learns PH dot com” Learning Management System (or L-M-S).

In this issue we have included the enrollment links to the following on-line preparedness trainings located at <https://www.NYLearnsPH.com>. They include courses from:

- NYSDOH Office of Health Emergency Preparedness
- FEMA Independent Study
- University at Albany’s Center for Public Health Preparedness.

We have also included the enrollment links to **POD Simulation Games** to sharpen your skills in a variety of roles. These interactive games transport you to the frontlines of a Point of Dispensing (POD) following an exposure event. The games were developed for the Chicago and Illinois Departments of Health so the names of the POD roles may be slightly different, but the skills are the same for POD Screeners, Forms and Dispensers.

Regional DOH Offices and Local Health Departments: If you are interested in viewing the delayed broadcast through your Video Conference equipment, please contact the HealthCom Bridge at: vidbrdg@health.state.ny.us.

For further assistance, please e-mail edlearn@health.state.ny.us or call the Office of Public Health at (518) 474-2893.

Training Opportunities

Title	Provider	Original Air Date	Original Air Time	Rebrdcast Date	Rebrdcast Time	LMS Course #
Mass Antibiotic Dispensing: Legal Ease	CDC	22-Oct	1-2:30pm	6-Nov	9:30-11am	CDC-102209
Public Health Grand Rounds, Global Climate Change: Implications for Public Health	UNC	5-Nov	2-4pm		Webcast Only	UNC-110509
Population Monitoring: Lessons Learned from Radiological Exercise Empire 09	UAlb CPHP	12-Nov	10-11am		LIVE	*UASPH-CPHP111209
Public Health Live (T2B2): Post-traumatic Stress Disorder in Veterans	UAlb SPH	19-Nov	9-10am		LIVE	*UASPH-PHL111909
Building Bench Strength: Finding New Leaders	MCTFT	19-Nov	1-2pm	4-Dec	10-11am	MCTFT-111909
Would you like to view a program at a more convenient time or view programs on a similar topic?	Register now at www.NYLearnsPH.com and search the <i>Course Catalog</i> using the LMS Course #					
* If the LMS course number is grayed out, it is not yet ready for enrollments						

Upcoming Satellite Broadcasts, Rebroadcasts, Video Conferences & Webcasts

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

Mass Antibiotic Dispensing: Legal Ease

Aired Live: October 22, 2009

Rebroadcast (VC to LHDs & Regional Offices): – November 6, 2009, 9:30-11:00 am

LMS Course Number: CDC-102209

Program Description: The federal government has passed multiple pieces of legislation related to the distribution and dispensing of medical countermeasures during an emergency response in an effort to ensure that countermeasures are distributed and used legally, that dispensers and recipients have the correct information on countermeasure usage, and that liability protections are in place. However, the legislation has created many questions for state and local Strategic National Stockpile (SNS) planners. Many planners have asked how an emergency use authorization (EUA) will affect the dispensing of state caches of medications and whether or not the Public Readiness and Emergency Preparedness (PREP) Act will protect volunteers working in points of dispensing (PODs). This broadcast will explore some of the legal issues facing state and local SNS planners as they prepare for a mass antibiotic dispensing campaign. Experts from federal and state agencies will discuss current legal issues and how planners can use the laws in place to assist them in their dispensing plans. The broadcast will include a live question-and-answer session, and viewers are encouraged to participate.

Goal: To assist state and local public health planners in understanding the complexities of federal legislation relating to mass antibiotic dispensing.

Objectives:

- Define instances when an EUA could be issued
- Discuss the main concerns addressed by CDC's pre-EUA submission
- List three entities protected under the PREP Act
- Describe the information included in a PREP Act declaration
- Identify two ways the PREP Act will protect state and local planners from legal actions resulting from a mass antibiotic dispensing campaign
- Promote health improvement, wellness, and disease prevention in cooperation with patients, communities, at-risk populations, and other members of an inter-professional team of health care providers by assuring the availability of effective, quality health, and disease prevention services.

To view as a Webcast, go to the NYSDOH Learning Management System (LMS) <https://www.NYlearnsPH.com>, and search the Course Catalog for CDC-102209, the LMS Course Number.

Search by LMS Course Number for other CDC Mass Antibiotic Dispensing Webcasts:

- **CDC-120607** Mass Antibiotic Dispensing: Taking Care of Business
- **CDC-101608** Mass Antibiotic Dispensing: Engaging At-Risk Populations
- **CDC-012909** Mass Antibiotic Dispensing: Partnering with Tribal Governments and Communities

University of North Carolina's Public Health Grand Rounds

Global Climate Change: Implications for Public Health

Live Webcast: November 5, 2009, 2:00-4:00 pm

LMS Course Number: UNC-110509

Program Goals: The principal goals of the program are 1) to increase awareness and understanding of the serious nature of global climate change and how it is linked to the public's health and well being; and 2) to promote a national dialogue among health professionals and related parties on the importance of public health involvement, preparedness and partnering at state and local levels.

Objectives:

- To state the case for global climate change and its potential impact on public health.
- To describe roles and responsibilities for public health professionals and other related environmental experts to address and take action on this environmental challenge.
- To access resources (tools, processes, articles etc.) for information and technical support.

For more information or to view Webcast visit: <http://www.publichealthgrandrounds.unc.edu/climate/index.htm>

Or <https://www.NYlearnsPH.com>, search Course Catalog for UNC-110509

University at Albany School of Public Health – Center for Public Health Preparedness *Population Monitoring: Lessons Learned from Radiological Exercise Empire 09*

Live Satellite, Videoconference & Webcast: November 12, 2009, 10:00-11:00 am

LMS Course Number: UASPH-CPHP111209

Speaker: Adela Salame-Alfie, Assistant Director Division of Environmental Health Investigation, NYSDOH will discuss population monitoring during radiological emergencies and lessons learned from the full scale radiological exercise.

Objectives:

- Understand the concept of population monitoring
- Increase knowledge of key planning principles and objectives of monitoring
- Learn what a Community Reception Center (CRC) is and its use following a radiological emergency
- Observe a CRC in practice through lessons learned from Empire 09

For more information or to view Webcast visit: <http://www.t2b2.org>

Or <https://www.NYlearnsPH.com>, search Course Catalog for UASPH-CPHP111209

University at Albany School of Public Health - Public Health Live / T2B2: *Post-traumatic Stress Disorder in Veterans*

Live Videoconference & Webcast: November 19, 2009, 9:00-10:00 am

LMS Course Number: UASPH-PHL111909

For more information or to view Webcast visit: <http://www.t2b2.org>

Or <https://www.NYlearnsPH.com>, search Course Catalog for UASPH-PHL111909

Multijurisdictional Counterdrug Task Force Training (MCTFT) and the Community Anti-Drug Coalitions of America (CADCA)

Building Bench Strength: Finding New Leaders

Live Satellite Broadcast & Webcast: November 19, 2009, 1:00-2:00 pm

LMS Course Number: MCTFT-111909

Program Description: Building and maintaining a successful coalition takes an effective leader. We see all kinds of leaders who have different kinds of approaches. How should coalitions get the most from the leaders they have and cultivate the next generation? Succession planning and workforce development do not need to be intimidating. There are resources and tools available to help.

During this hour-long CADCA-TV program, Building Bench Strength: Finding New Leaders, we will learn about the CADCA's Ambassador Program and the National Youth Leadership Initiative. Also, find out how leadership techniques can help you do the most with what you have.

They will also travel to Connecticut to see how a coalition has handled recent leadership changes. It isn't always easy to step in and take control.

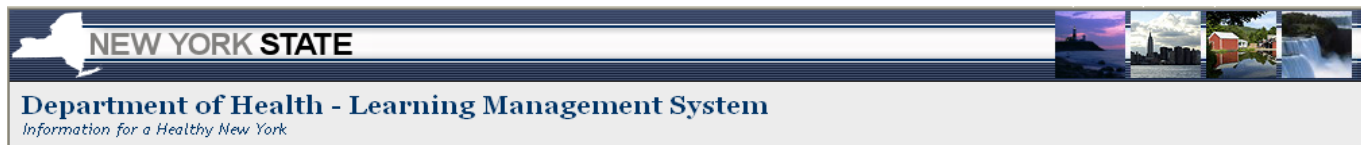
Key Concepts:

- Learn why the 12 sectors should be represented within coalitions
- See how capacity building can be organized
- Hear how different types of leaders work within the coalition environment
- Find out coalitions can utilize the talents young leaders have to offer.

For more information or to view Webcast visit:

http://www.mctft.com/telecasts/view_course.aspx?telecastID=2009-11-19-1

Or <https://www.NYLearnsPH.com>, search Course Catalog for MCTFT-111909



Register for the Learning Management System (LMS):

1. Click on the Preparedness Course title link from the list below (ctrl+ click to follow the link)
2. Select **CLICK HERE** to register and complete the registration form (~ 3 minutes to complete.)
 - Choose your **own** username & password
 - Fill in all required fields denoted with an asterisk (*)
 - Please include your **Agency name** in the first line of your work address
 - Also, be sure to select your **Agency** from the drop down menu found at the bottom of the registration page
 - **Submit Your Registration**, and you will be brought to the course description page where you can enroll in the course.

Forgot your password or username?

Use the **PASSWORD RETRIEVAL** function.

Select Username or Password Retrieval, and answer your secret questions



Enroll in a Preparedness Course from the list in this newsletter:

1. Once you have successfully submitted your registration and logged in, you should be brought directly to the **course description page**.
2. **Click the enroll button**. You may also view details about the course, like time and location, by selecting the corresponding links or note the Enrollment Deadline.

FEMA IS-704 NIMS Communications and Information Management							
Enrollment Deadline	Section	Course Format	Start/End Dates	Meeting Times	Location	Instructor (s)	Speaker (s)
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3. After clicking the **enroll button**, you will receive confirmation of your registration on the screen and in your e-mail.

Course Catalog - Registration

[Course Catalog](#) | [Program Catalog](#) | [Advanced Search](#) | [Recommended Courses](#) | [Required Courses](#)

You have successfully registered for FEMA IS-704 NIMS Communications and Information Management. It is now part of your Current Courses in [My Courses](#).

4. As stated in the on-screen confirmation, the on-line course was added to **My Courses** (see: User Menu)
- You can navigate around **My Courses** by selecting the **Pending, Current, Completed Courses, Completed Programs** or **LMS Activity Report** tabs.
 - From here you can access the **Launch Course** button, view section **details**, use the **messaging tool**, or **unenroll** from the course.

User Menu Hide

- Home
- Getting Started
- My Assessments
- My Courses
- Course Catalog

My Courses

Be sure to register for your [Required Courses](#) and [Recommended Courses](#). You may also view [Course Catalog](#) for a full list of courses.

Default folder for "My Courses"

Pending Courses | **Current Courses** | Failed/Incomplete Courses | Completed Courses | Completed Programs | LMS Activity Report

Course Name	Credit Type	Credits	Section	Activities
FEMA IS-704 NIMS Communications and Information Management IS-704 Online			Ongoing	Details Messaging

Launch Course | Unenroll

5. Using the **messaging link**, send your FEMA completion certificate to the course administrator to receive a complete for the course.

Messaging

FEMA IS-704 NIMS Communications and Information Management - IS-704

[New Message To the Course Administrator](#)

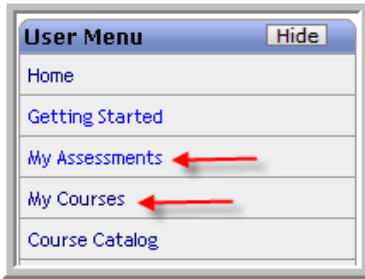
There are 4 ways to move a course from your Current to Completed Courses:

- After passing the quiz(s) at the end of a course, you will be
- Complete the Activity Due found in My Courses. This could be a quiz or a certification.
- Contact the Course Administrator using the LMS's Messaging Tool
- Be completed by the Course Administrator after meeting all course completion requirements, like 100% attendance or completion of field exercises.

6. Now you can track all of your continuing professional education through the NY Learns Public Health (NYLearnsPH.com) Learning Management System. Without logging in, you may also:

- Find help pages and FAQs addressing LMS functionality
- Get help with forgotten passwords.
- Learn about training opportunities through the LMS **Announcements** and **LHD/LMS Calendar**
- Browse the **Course Catalog**
- Contact Us** with questions

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Once you are logged in, you can:

- **Enroll** in other live and on-line training opportunities available through the LMS.
- Receive targeted competency-based **Course Recommendations** by completing **competency self-assessments** in **My Assessments**.
- Keep track of **Non-LMS Courses** (taken outside of the LMS) by entering them into your **Completed Courses** folder of **My Courses**.

<https://www.NYLearnsPH.com>

Preparedness courses on www.NYLearnsPH.com include:

- [PFA-100.A: Psychological First Aid](#) (CNTL + Click to enroll)

FEMA Independent Study Courses

- [FEMA IS-100.A: Introduction to Incident Command System](#)
- [FEMA IS-100.HC: Introduction to Incident Command System for Healthcare Organizations](#)
- [FEMA IS-120.A: An Introduction to Exercises](#)
- [FEMA IS-130: Exercise Evaluation and Improvement Planning](#)
- [FEMA IS-139: Exercise Design](#)
- [FEMA IS-200.A: Incident Command Systems for Single Resources and Initial Action Incident](#)
- [FEMA IS-200.HC: Applying ICS to Healthcare Organizations](#)
- [FEMA IS-700.A: National Incident Management System \(NIMS\), An Introduction](#)
- [FEMA IS-701: Multi-agency Coordination System \(MACS\) Course](#)
- [FEMA IS-702: National Incident Management Systems \(NIMS\) Public Information Systems](#)
- [FEMA IS-703: NIMS Resource Management](#) [FEMA-IS-704: NIMS Communications and Information Management](#) **NEW**
- [FEMA IS-706: NIMS Intrastate Mutual Aid - An Introduction](#) **NEW**
- [FEMA IS-775: EOC Management and Operations](#)
- [FEMA IS-800.B: A National Response Framework \(NRF\), An Introduction](#)
- [FEMA IS-801: Transportation](#)
- [FEMA IS-802: Emergency Support Functions Communications](#)
- [FEMA IS-812: Emergency Support Function \(ESF\) #12 Energy](#)
- [FEMA IS-813: Public Safety and Security Annex](#)

University at Albany School of Public Health's Center for Public Health Preparedness

- [UACPHP-200: Microbiology: An Introduction](#)
- [UACPHP-201: Mass Dispensing: A Primer for Community Leaders](#)
- [UACPHP-202: Emergency Preparedness Training for Hospital Clinician](#)
- [UACPHP-203: County Animal Response Team](#)

- [UACPHP-204: Your Family Disaster Plan](#)
- [UACPHP-205: Zoonosis, Preparedness, and Public Health](#)
- [UACPHP-206: Field Epidemiology](#)
- [UACPHP-207: Detecting Bioterror](#)
- [UACPHP-208: Working in a Point of Dispensing \(POD\)](#)
- [UACPHP-209: Terrorism, Preparedness, and Public Health: An Introduction](#)
- [UACPHP-210: Preparedness and Community Response to Pandemics](#)
- [UACPHP-211: Personal Preparedness](#)
- [UACPHP-212: HazMat Transportation Incidents: Using the Emergency Response Guidebook](#)
- [UACPHP-213: Nuclear Terror: Pathways and Prevention](#)
- [UACPHP-214: Risk Communication](#)
- [UACPHP-215: Basic Emergency Preparedness for Staff of Community Health Facilities](#)
- [UACPHP-216: Ethics and Public Health in an Age of Terrorism](#)
- [UACPHP-217: Long-term Care Facilities: Emergency Preparedness Plan](#)
- [UACPHP-218: Emergency Animal Sheltering](#)

POD Simulation Games

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- [SIM 101 – The POD Game: Screener](#)
- [SIM 102 – The POD Game: Forms](#)
- [SIM 103 – The POD Game: Dispenser](#)

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FOR ADDITIONAL TRAINING INFORMATION, VIEW THE [Public Health Preparedness Training Calendar](#)

FIRST, log on to the NYSDOH Health Commerce System's Health Provider Network (HPN) at <https://commerce.health.state.ny.us/>

SECOND, copy and paste this address into the browser's window:

<https://commerce.health.state.ny.us/hpn/cgi-bin/applinks/osphcal/eventcalendar.pl?actype=display&selmonth=8&selyear=2009>

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5 H1N1 Tribal Education Session Salamanca, NY LTCF H1N1 Situational Awareness Conference Calls (11:00am-12:00pm)	6 H1N1 Tribal Education Session Syracuse, NY	7
8	9	10	11	12 Hospital H1N1 Situational Awareness Conference Calls (11:00am-12:00pm)	13 H1N1 Tribal Education Session Hogansburg, NY	14
15	16	17 H1N1 Tribal Education Session Riverhead, NY	18	19 LTCF H1N1 Situational Awareness Conference Calls (11:00am-12:00pm)	20	21
22	23	24 Hospital H1N1 Situational Awareness Conference Calls (11:00am-12:00pm)	25	26	27	28
29	30					