Ohio EMA Field Journal

Supporting Local Programs through Grants, Training, Exercising & Field Support

Training Update

ACCOMODATING STUDENTS FOR OHIO EMA SPONSORED TRAININGS

It is the goal of Ohio EMA to ensure that all students have the tools necessary to successfully complete the courses we offer. Whether you are a student or course host, please let us know if you need interpretation services for trainings and we will provide those. There is no cost for Ohio EMA sponsored courses.

We can also arrange to provide student manuals with larger font and brail. Students may elect to have tests read to them or arrange for extra time. All facilities that host courses, funded by Ohio EMA, are assessable by wheelchair.

If you need additional accommodations when attending trainings, please let our training office know, and we will be happy to confidentially meet those requests.

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U.S. Department of Homeland Security First Responder Training

The challenges facing the emergency responder community are evolving rapidly in today's security aware climate. New Mexico Tech's Energetic Materials Research and Testing Center (EMRTC) has been a leader in providing DHS approved training to qualified first responders from all over the nation. EMRTC will continue to provide training to our nation's first responders to help them effectively respond to events involving explosives.

Are you or someone you know interested in US Dept. of Homeland Security Responder Training? If so, access the link below for more information about the courses, and to register for a course, email the application to Lisa Jones at ljones@dps.ohio.gov.

http://www.emrtc.nmt.edu/training/firstresponders.php

New Mexico Tech Course Offerings
1. Incident Response to Terrorist Bombings (IRTB)
2. Prevention and Response to Suicide Bombing Incidents (PRSBI)
3. Understanding and Planning for School Bomb Incidents (UPSBI)
4. Initial Law Enforcement Response to Suicide Bombing Attacks (ILERSBA)
5. Medical Preparedness and Response for Bombing Incidents (MPRBI)

FEMA Independent Study Program College Credits

The Emergency Management Institute (EMI) offers a college credit program for completion of Independent Study Courses through Frederick Community College (FCC). FCC reviews and determines which FEMA Independent Study courses meet academic standards. FCC is fully accredited by the Middle States Association of Colleges and offers several emergency academic programs.

Credits could be used towards:
- Promotion
- Career enhancement
- An Associate's degree, Certificate, or Letter of Recognition (LOR) in Emergency Management
- Personal satisfaction

To apply for college credit, you must successfully complete a course that is eligible for college credit. You can submit an application and a low per credit fee online to receive copies of your college credit transcript. To get started visit: www.em-study.com

Exercise Update

National Exercise Scheduling (NEXS) System
The Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA's) National Exercise Scheduling (NEXS) System is a compilation of local, state, and federal exercises, as well as supporting training and events, and serves as a management and scheduling tool and reference document for exercise planning, training and events. It provides information on exercise or event dates, location(s), scenario(s), scope, and participants.

As you may know, the NEXS System has been offline for more than a year due to system software vulnerabilities. A notification was received from FEMA's National Exercise Division on, October 27, advising that the NEXS has been granted authority to operate and will be brought back online shortly. Once the system comes back online, a notification will be sent out to the county EMA directors.

Ohio Region 2 Collapse Search and Rescue Full-Scale Exercise
The Ohio Region 2 Collapse Search and Rescue Team conducted a full-scale exercise in Geauga County on October 28. The exercise was funded via Cuyahoga County under the FY 2013 State Homeland Security Program, included debris removal, trapped victim extrication, confined space rescue, and building shoring operations. The exercise provided a realistic training and exercise environment that afforded team members an opportunity to conduct search and rescue operations in real-time.

Questions in regard to NEXS System or exercise questions in general may be directed to Darren Price, MEP, Ohio EMA Exercise Program Manager, at 614.799.3660 or via e-mail at deprice@dps.ohio.gov.

Field Report

The Ebola virus made October a busy month for County EMAs, County Health Departments, Ohio EMA, Ohio Department of Health and partner agencies. With seemingly no warning a simple trip home for one person to plan a wedding turned into an event with national implications.

On October 14, Ohio EMA facilitated an Ebola focused tabletop discussion with cabinet level individuals from a host of partner agencies. In a quick turn of events on October 15 Ohio EMA began staffing the State Emergency Operations Center (SEOC). The situational response increased on October 17, with the arrival of staff from the Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) traveled to the impacted counties to begin their assessment. The SEOC will be staffed through the beginning of November. As of November 3, there were no cases of Ebola in Ohio, but there is 1 person in quarantine and 52 total individuals who are being monitored. None of the individuals being monitored are symptomatic. Since this event's inception the State EOC has logged 27 missions. On November 4, all known Ohio contacts will be through the 21 day incubation period.

Grants Gallery

Due to current grant staffing levels, please forward all FY14 EMPG Work Plan Updates and Cash Reimbursements to your current field liaison until further notice. We appreciate your continued patience.

Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG) Training Requirements
Per FEDERAL GUIDANCE: All EMPG Program funded personnel shall participate in no less than three exercises in a 12 month period and complete the following training requirements and record proof of completion.

NIMS Training:
IS 100 (ICS 100); IS 200 (ICS 200); IS 700 (NIMS); IS 800 (NRF)
http://training.fema.gov/IS/NIMS.asp

FEMA Professional Development Series:
IS 139; IS 230.a; IS 235.a; IS 240.a; IS 241.a; IS 242.a; IS 244.a
http://training.fema.gov/IS/searchIS.asp?keywords=PDS

Equipment Accountability
Property records must be maintained that include a description of the property; a serial number or other identification number; the source of property; who holds title; the acquisition date and cost of the property; percentage of Federal participation in the cost of the property; the location; use and condition of the property; and any ultimate disposition data including the date of disposal and sale price of the property.

A physical inventory of the property must be taken and the results reconciled with the property records at least once every two years.

Ensure Compliance By:
Maintaining property records to include all 12 required elements and perform a physical inventory of equipment every two years. A sample Microsoft Excel Worksheet "Master Asset Listing" is available on the Preparedness Grants Branch web site under "Toolkit Assistance" for your use http://ema.ohio.gov/PreparednessGrants_Toolkit.aspx. At end of each year, all counties receiving State Homeland Security Grant funds will be required to submit an asset tracking sheet.

Please be sure to contact grant staff on proper disposal and sale of equipment purchased with grant funding to ensure compliance with all county and federal requirements.

1	L-965 Resources Unit Leader (RESL)	Nov. 3 - 6, 2014	Cuyahoga County
2	G-366 Planning for Special Needs of Children	Nov. 4, 2014	Ohio EMA
3	ICS-400 Advanced Course	Nov. 4- 5, 2014	Clark County
4	ICS-300 Intermediate Course	Nov. 4 – 6, 2014	Franklin County
5	ICS-400 Advanced Course	Nov. 5 – 6, 2014	Summit County
6	**ICS-300 Intermediate ICS Course – CANCELLED**	**Nov. 5 – 7, 2014**	**Shelby County**
7	ICS-400 Advanced Course	Nov. 6 – 7, 2014	Franklin County
8	**ICS-300 Intermediate Course – CANCELLED**	**November 7 - 9, 2014**	**Richland County**
9	ICS-300 Intermediate Course	Nov. 12 – 14, 2014	Geauga County
10	G191 ICS/EOC Interface Course	Nov. 13, 2014	Shelby County
11	ICS-300 Intermediate ICS	Nov. 12 – 14, 2014	Geauga County
12	ICS-300 Intermediate ICS	November 17 - 19, 2014	Franklin County (CPD)
13	**G202 Debris Management – CANCELLED**	**Nov. 18 – 20, 2014**	**Ohio EMA**
14	PER-304 Social Media for Natural Disaster Response and Recovery	Nov. 19, 2014	Ohio EMA
15	ICS-400 Advanced Course	Nov. 19 - 20, 2014	Franklin County (CPD)
16	G-289 Public Information Officer (PIO) Awareness Course	Nov. 20, 2014	Washington County
17	G-402 ICS for Executives	Nov. 21, 2014	Cuyahoga County
18	ICS-300 Intermediate Course	Dec. 2 – 4, 2014	Lucas County
19	G-402 ICS for Executives	Dec. 4, 2014	Franklin County
20	ICS-400 Advanced Course	Dec. 4 – 5, 2014	Lucas County
21	ICS-400 Advanced Course	Dec. 9-10, 2014	Hamilton County
22	OH-361 Fundamentals of Safe Room Design and Construction	Dec. 16, 2014	Ohio EMA
23	ICS-400 Advanced Course	Jan. 10 - 11, 2015	Richland County
24	G-270.4 Recovery From Disaster	Jan. 13-14, 2015	Ohio EMA
25	L146 Homeland Security Exercise and Evaluation Program	Jan. 13 - 15, 2015	Jackson County
26	G-366 Planning for Special Needs of Children	Jan. 22. 2015	Ashtabula County
27	G288 Local volunteer and Donations Management & G489 Management of Spontaneous Volunteers	Jan. 27-29. 2015	Ohio EMA
28	L146 Homeland Security Exercise and Evaluation Program	Jan. 28 - 30, 2015	Hamilton County
29	MGT-347 ICS Forms Review Course (TEEX Instructors)	Feb. 3, 2015	Ohio EMA
30	ICS-300 Intermediate Course (TEEX Instructors)	Feb. 3 – 5, 2015	Ohio EMA
31	G-366 Planning for Special Needs of Children	Feb. 4, 2015	Hamilton County
32	G358 Evacuation and Re-Entry Planning	Feb. 10 – 11, 2015	Ohio EMA
33	PER-304 Social Media for Natural Disaster Response and Recovery	Feb. 19, 2015	Ohio EMA
34	G290 & G291 Basic Public Information Officer Series	Feb. 23-25, 2015	Jackson County
35	G-289 Public Information Officer (PIO) Awareness Course	Feb. 26, 2015	Medina County
36	ICS-400 Advanced Course (TEEX Instructors)	March 3 -4, 2015	Ohio EMA
37	G108 & G366 Mass Care & Special Needs of Children	March 10-12, 2015	Ohio EMA
38	G775 EOC Management and Operations	March 24 – 25, 2015	Ohio EMA
39	G290 & G291 Basic Public Information Officer Series	April 7-9, 2015	Ohio EMA
40	OH-200 Spring Directors' Conference	April 15 - 16, 2015	Ohio EMA - Crown Plaza
41	MGT906-Incident Command System (ICS) TtT (L-449)	May 5 - 8, 2015	Ohio EMA
42	PER-304 Social Media for Natural Disaster Response and Recovery	May 14, 2015	Ohio EMA
43	G-289 Public Information Officer (PIO) Awareness Course	May 15, 2015	Ashtabula County
44	G-557 Rapid Needs Assessment Course	June 9, 2015	Ohio EMA

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Southeast Ohio will be located in Jackson (Jackson County)
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For more information on Ohio EMA Training and Exercises please visit:
http://ema.ohio.gov/Training.aspx

To log in to the Ohio Department of Public Safety Training Campus visit:
https://trainingcampus.dps.ohio.gov/cm6/cm0682/pstc/pstc.html