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SNAP Disruption: Related Resources to Support Response Efforts & to Share with Community Partners

Below are several resources, fact sheets, and other tools for emergency managers, local officials, and community members.

As this is an ongoing event, we encourage all NJHCC members to keep their constituents up to date and to thoroughly review resources prior to public distribution to ensure relevancy and factualness.

- Recommended Resources from the New Jersey Department of Health (NJDOH) (PDF)
- Food System Resilience: A Planning Guide for Local Governments (Johns Hopkins University)
- Distribution Management Plan - FEMA Fact Sheet (FEMA)
- Distribution Management Plan Guide 2.0 (FEMA)
- Building Private-Public Partnerships (FEMA)
    - Recommended Reading: 5.1.4 Mobile Food Pantry (Page 50)
- A Guide to Develop an Emergency Response Plan for Food Programs (Tampa Bay - Network to End Hunger)
- Food Bank Disaster Response and Recovery Guide (Feeding America)

- Food Security Dimensions in US Disaster Plans: A Comparative Analysis of States and Territories (Cambridge University Press)

Bi-Weekly Membership Poll

What Winter hazards are you and your team most concerned about?

Travel & Supply Chain Integrity

Facility Infrastructure Challenges (e.g., HVAC Failure)

Potential for Patient Surges (e.g., Respiratory Disease Admissions, Travel-Related MCI, etc.)

Staff Shortage/Call Outs

Upcoming Events, Assessments, Exercises and Training Opportunities

Recent Assessments, Upcoming Working Groups, and Future Meetings:

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Annual Statewide and Regional Hazard Vulnerability Assessments (HVAs) Completed

This year's HVAs have been officially completed and circulated to all NJHCC members. In addition to the typical statewide and regional aggerates, our team has developed enhanced gap analysis for each region and for the statewide perspective, based on the HVAs' results.

You can view the full HVA results announcement by clicking here. Thank you to all who participated!

Regional Response Plan & Specialty Annex Workgroup Sign Up Coming Soon

Annually, and following activations & exercises, the NJHCC EM Team reviews existing plans and annexes based on member feedback, observed need following an event or exercise, and pursuant to the Hospital Preparedness Program's (HPP's) grant requirements.

Presently, there are nine (9) plans that are in the process of or will be undergoing review from the NJHCC Leadership Team, Members, and the EM Team.

These plans include:

- Coalition Regional Response Plan
    - Burn Patient Surge Annex
    - Chemical Surge Response Annex
        - With an associated decontamination chapter
    - Pediatric Surge Response Annex
    - Radiological Surge Response Annex
        - With an associated decontamination chapter
    - Special Pathogens Response Annex
        - Formerly the *Infectious Disease Annex*
- Resource Management Plan
- Information Sharing Plan
- Base Medical & Trauma Surge Support Plan

As a reminder, these plans will NOT supersede, replace, or override NJDOH, NJOEM, or any other state or private entity's emergency response plan. Rather, these Coalition-developed plans are meant to align with and complement these plans as it relates to disasters that exceed the local to county level span of control, necessitating regional coordination, support, and response.

Save the Dates!
January 2026 HCC In-Person Meetings

Our team is always looking for new ways to engage members and share experiences, knowledge, and in general leverage our member's expertise in the name of better preparing New Jersey. Based on your feedback, our January 2026 in-person meetings will heavily focus on Coalition plan development, fit testing, and in general ensuring that these plans are a benefit to you and your partners during a regional response.

January's Primary Focus: Information Sharing Plan

We will be releasing a full agenda with the associated plan assignments in the near future, we encourage all members to bring forth their ideas, experiences, and subject matter expertise as we seek to prepare New

Jersey against all forms of hazards.

North HCC In-Person MeetingJanuary 2026

Central HCC In-Person MeetingJanuary 2026

South HCC In-Person Meeting January 2026

Upcoming Training Opportunities:

Disaster & Terrorism Branch
NJ DHS Division of Mental Health and Addiction Services

NJ Disaster Response Crisis Counselor (DRCC) Initial Training Series

- **When:** Various Dates in December 2025
- **Where:** Virtual
- **Cost:** No-Cost
- Additional Information & Registration

MGMT-452: Physical and Cybersecurity for Critical Infrastructure

- **When:** 11.18.2025
- **Where:** Wayne, New Jersey 07470
- **Cost:** No-Cost
- Additional Information & Registration

PER-220: Emergency Response to Domestic Biological Incidents

- **When:** 11.19.2025 - 11.20.2025

- **Where:** Clarksboro, New Jersey 08020
- **Cost:** No-Cost
- **Notes:** Access Code *NCBRT220*
- Additional Information & Registration

PER-211: Medical Management of CBRNE Event
- **When:** 12.08.2025 - 12.09.2025
- **Where:** Hillsborough, New Jersey 08844
- **Cost:** No-Cost
- Additional Information & Registration

G2300: Intermediate Emergency Operations Center Functions
- **When**: 11.17.2025 - 11.19.2025/8:30 AM - 4:30 PM
- **Where:** Lawrence Twp. Police Department, 2211 Lawrence Rd., Lawrenceville NJ, 08648
- **Cost:** No-Cost
- **Additional Notes**: Applications must be received by **11.10.2025**
- Additional Information & Registration

Additional Training Opportunities

The NJHCC EM Team regularly updates our Coalition Training Opportunities page on the Coalitions' website. Click the button below to be redirected to a collection of trainings from NJOEM, NJOHSP, FEMA, and other notable partners.

Visit Our Coalition Training Opportunities Page

Featured Articles, Resources, and Reports:

Governor Murphy Declares SOE to Respond to Loss of Federal Food Aid

(NJ.com)

New Jersey Gov. **Phil Murphy** on Friday declared a "state of emergency" to coordinate the state's response to 800,000 residents temporarily losing cash benefits to buy food.

The move came hours after two federal judges ruled that President **Donald Trump**'s administration **must continue to fund SNAP**, the nation's biggest food aid program, using contingency funds during the federal government shutdown. The rulings, however, are expected to face appeals.

Nearly half of the people affected in New Jersey are children, one in three have a disability, and one in five is 60 or older, according to the state.

"With more than 800,000 New Jerseyans relying on SNAP to put food on the table, the Trump Administration's decision to suspend benefits has created a clear and present threat to the health and safety of our residents," Murphy said in a statement.

"We will not stand by while families face hunger. That is why our state will mobilize every available resource to strengthen our food access networks banks, protect vulnerable communities, and ensure that every resident has access to the meals they need," the Democratic governor added.

Read the Full Article Here

Emergency Management in the News:

- Deadly NYC Flooding Linked to 'Overwhelmed Sewer System' (WPIX New York City, NY)
- NC Attorney General Files Lawsuit Against FEMA, Accusing Agency of Unlawfully Withholding Funds (WNCN Raleigh)
- Level 2 Special Pathogen Treatment and Network Development (STAND) Award Opportunity (NETEC)
- Haiti, Jamaica and Cuba Pick Up the Pieces After Melissa's Destruction (AP News)

Relevant Resources:

- NJHA Drug Shortage Report (10.31.25)
- NJ Healthcare Coalitions - Weekly NHSN Dashboard (11.01.25)
- NJDOH - Respiratory Illness Surveillance Report (11.01.25)
- NJOEM - GIS Hub
    - EMMIT Homepage
    - EMMIT Training Page
    - Weather Dashboard
    - Flood, Radar, Stream Gauges
    - Preliminary Damage Assessment Site
- NJOHSP - 2025 Threat Assessment
- NETEC - HCID Exercise Templates and Resources

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