

Thursday, May 10

General Sessions 8-12:00 a.m.

TITLE	Speaker	Description
Terrorism Motivated by Religion	Professor Bruce Hoffman	Today al Qaeda is often spoken of as if it is in retreat; a broken and beaten organization incapable of mounting further attacks on its own and having devolved operational authority either to its various affiliates and associates or to entirely organically produced, homegrown terrorist entities. Nothing could be further from the truth. Al Qaeda in fact is on the march. It has regrouped and reorganized from the setbacks meted out by the U.S. and our coalition partners during the initial phases of the global war on terrorism. A central element of al Qaeda's resilience and the continued resonance of its message is religion. Although many other historical and contemporary terrorist groups have evidenced a strong religious component, it has been mostly by dint of their membership and less a reflection of their ideology or justifications for violence. For movements like al Qaeda, however, the religious motive is overriding; and the religious imperative for terrorism is the most important defining characteristic of terrorist activity today. This keynote address will analyze the impact of religion on contemporary terrorism using al Qaeda and its influence and inspiration to radicalized elements worldwide to illustrate the salience of this trend in contemporary terrorism.
Dealing with the Media in High Visibility Settings – Managing Image When You're Both News	Lt. Col. James Vance, USMC (ret) Academy Leadership Associates	This presentation will approach media relations skills during times of crisis from both the practitioner's and leader's perspectives and will use brief scenarios from actual events – including the D.C. area sniper case and Columbine – as a means to explain the need for a focused, calm, practiced posture when the unblinking eye of the camera is on you.
The Limits of Law in Public Health Emergencies – Building Resilient Communities	Professor Edward Richards	The aftermath of Hurricane Katrina grimly illustrated the failure of local, state and federal emergency preparedness. While this has caused many states and the federal government to pass ever more emergency preparedness laws, the Katrina disaster was not a failure of legal authority or of emergency planning. It was a failure to realistically address the risks posed by the threat and a failure to appreciate the importance of individual preparedness. This presentation will discuss how public health emergency laws can reduce preparedness and will present on all hazards approach for building a more resilient community.

Workshop Track Descriptions 1:30-5:00 p.m.

PUBLIC HEALTH/HEALTH CARE

TITLE	Speaker	Description
Individual Restrictions, Quarantine, and Public Health Realities	Professor Edward Richards	This session will address when individual restrictions, including quarantine, may be used appropriately, and how to prepare for situations when the scale of the problems makes coercive action impossible. The discussion will include planning for post-event legal liability.
Preparing for Pandemic Influenza: The Hospital and Community Perspective	Dr. Stephen Cantrill	A pandemic influenza outbreak would present multiple challenges to our health care system. This presentation will outline the nature of the threat and approaches that can be taken to better prepare for this potential threat.

FAMILY/BUSINESS PREPAREDNESS

TITLE	Speaker	Description
Personal Preparedness is Professional Preparedness (Panel Discussion)	Jim Koval Beverly Sobolewski Eileen M. Phifer, Safety and Security Administration, MI Dept of Transportation Penny Rodriguez Ingham Regional Medical Center	Family Preparedness has two main considerations: what can my family and I do to be prepared for an emergency, and what can government agencies do to support their employees? This workshop will cover both considerations. Participants will come away with everything they need to know to make their own family emergency plan and disaster supply kit, and will what their government agency/employer should do to help support employees and their families.
Trends and Trials in Continuity Planning	Jason P. Nairn Facilities Administration Security and Emergency Management MI Dept of Management and Budget	A discussion on current issues surrounding continuity planning and challenges encountered during the planning process. Participants will have the opportunity to discuss their planning efforts and will gain advice from others who have been active in continuity planning, including those involved in the Michigan Continuity of Government Initiative. The discussion will also involve the issue of continuity planning for pandemic flu and recent government guidance regarding planning for critical infrastructure.
Children and Disasters – What you Need to Know	Jodi Spicer, PC JLS Consulting Dr. Dawn Contreras, PhD MSU Extension	Dealing with a disaster is stressful for everyone involved – but children are especially vulnerable. It is hard to know how to describe what happened and how to handle the complex emotions. Learn more about how to work appropriately with children who are affected by disaster and trauma. Stages of development and age-appropriate suggestions will be shared.

AGRICULTURE

TITLE	Speaker	Description
Animal Response Planning and the Federal PETS Act	Dr. Nancy Barr, DVM, Michigan Dept of Agriculture Dr. Mark Hansen, PhD, Michigan State University Extension	Hurricane Katrina reminded us that planning for animal response including, evacuation, sheltering, veterinary care, volunteer resources, and carcass disposal are important aspects of emergency planning and response. Presenters will discuss key aspects of animal emergency response with reference to the local emergency plan, the federal PETS Act, and studies related to planning for household animal emergency response.
Building Local Networks in the Agriculture Industry	Brad Deacon, MDA	Michigan's food and agriculture sector contributes over \$60 billion annually to the economy. This session will provide an overview of who's who when it comes to production, processing and retail of the food, agriculture and animal private sector, as well as regulatory officials, associations and interest groups. The session will cover an overview of some of the available information and resources and suggestions on how and where to strengthen local connections in both rural and urban areas.
Protecting Critical Sites in Food Processing	Dr. John Tilden, DVM	Michigan's food supply is provided by an increasingly complicated global network. This session will focus on providing a general overview of security and emergency preparedness from a food supply chain perspective. Strategies for protecting interconnected systems as opposed to individual critical sites will be emphasized. Private and public sector roles for prevention and/or mitigation of food contamination incidents will be clarified.

RESPONSE

TITLE	Speaker	Description
Radiological Assistance Program (RAP) Mission	Stuart Rifkind	Representatives from the Department of Energy and the Argonne National Lab will overview the RAP mission and how the RAP team interacts with state and local first responders.
Federal Incident Response Support Teams (FIRST) equipment, capabilities, and working relationships with state and local jurisdictions	Eric L. Gentry FIRST, Team Leader DHS-FEMA Region V	The Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA) Federal Incident Response Support Team (FIRST) is designed to be a highly responsive and flexible Federal incident management team that will operate within the Incident Command System (ICS) framework of the National Incident Management System (NIMS) under the National Response Plan (NRP). The FIRST is a forward extension of the Emergency Response Team-Advanced (ERT-A) providing the ERT-A Team Leader, and after a Stafford Act Declaration the Federal Coordinating Officer (FCO), with the capability to support State and local response on scene.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

TITLE	Speaker	Description
Applying Disaster Lessons Documented and Moving Beyond Special Needs	Ms. June Isaacson Kailes	This session's focus is on ensuring that the needs and priorities of people with a wide range of people with disabilities and functional limitations are met in the process of planning for and responding to all hazards. Disaster processes, procedures and systems can be more effective for people with disabilities. This workshop shares a more accurate and flexible framework based on functional needs (maintaining functional independence, communication, supervision, medical, and transportation) and suggests new approaches to leadership, service delivery and training.
TSC Screening	TBD	TBD
Michigan Intelligence Operations Center (MIOC)	F/Lt. Mary Pekrul Michigan State Police Dan Bachelor, Special Agent, FBI Lansing Office Darryl Lundy, Emergency Management Coordinator, City of Detroit	

TECHNOLOGY

TITLE	Speaker	Description
Spatial Intelligence for Homeland Security	Eric Nischan, MSP/EMHSD Dr. Jeroen Wagendorp: Michigan County Association of Mapping Professionals (MICAMP) Trevor Floyd, GISP: St Clair County GIS	As a tool for comprehensive preparation and quick response to homeland security events, Geographic Information System (GIS) technology is unrivaled. This panel presentation will showcase actual implementation of GIS for homeland security at the city, county and state level in Michigan. This session highlights practical examples of how spatial awareness can be implemented to enhance homeland security operations.
Notification Systems – Applications That Work for You	Dan Sibb, Manager Technical & Operations Support Section, EMHSD Byron Callies, Manager Environment of Care Ingham Regional Medical Center Bill Coville, MI Dept of Community Health Dr. William Fales, Daniel R. Young, MS Regional Bioterrorism Coordinator, Region 1 Michael J. Williams Director of Corporate Security CMS Energy	This workshop will provide you with a broad comparative look at systems currently being used (or in the planning stage) in Michigan and how their functionalities may or may not relate to each other. Also discussed will be the notification process(es) in place and being developed using these applications. Systems to be discussed include MI-HAN, E-Team, EMSys, Codespear, SmartMSG, EmTrac, Electronic Patient Tracking System (EPTS) and AlarmPoint.

EXERCISING

TITLE	Speaker	Description
Michigan's Homeland Security Exercise and Evaluation Program (HSEEP) – Simplifying and Strengthening Michigan's Grant Funded Exercise Requirements	TBD	This workshop will provide an overview of Michigan's updated exercise reporting procedures to be implemented prior to October 2007. The primary focus of this presentation will be on form completion, navigating the updated EMHSD exercise web site, and how to report exercise activities from scheduling to improvement planning utilizing the HSEEP Toolkit; an interactive, on-line system for exercise scheduling, design, development, conduct, evaluation and improvement planning.