

## Recommended On-Line FEMA Training Course Incident Command System for Healthcare

FEMA's Emergency Management Institute (EMI) offers free on-line training on the *Incident Command System (ICS)* and provides participants with an official FEMA Certificate of Completion upon successful completion of the course.

Healthcare workers and support staff completing this comprehensive program will gain a better understanding of the concepts utilized in the Nursing Home Incident Command System (NHICS).

It is recommended that select staff members of Long Term Care facilities including executive staff and those who are part of the facility's NHICS Incident Management Team (IMT) complete this comprehensive training program.

Link to on-line program: <http://training.fema.gov/EMIWeb/IS/is100HCb.asp>

### **IS-100.HCb - Introduction to the Incident Command System (ICS 100) for Healthcare/Hospitals**

#### **Course Description**

ICS 100.HC, Introduction to the Incident Command System for Healthcare/Hospitals, introduces the Incident Command System (ICS) and provides the foundation for higher level ICS training. This course describes the history, features and principles, and organizational structure of ICS. It also explains the relationship between ICS and the National Incident Management System (NIMS). This course uses the same objectives and content as other ICS courses with healthcare/hospital examples and exercises.

Note: IS-100.HCb is an updated version of the IS-100.HC course. If you have successfully completed IS-100.HC, you may want to review the new version of the course. For credentialing purposes, the courses are equivalent.

#### **Course Objectives**

At the completion of this course, you should be familiar with:



- ICS applications for healthcare/hospitals
- ICS organizational principles and elements
- ICS position and responsibilities
- ICS facilities and functions
- ICS planning.

In addition, you will learn the steps you should take to be accountable for your actions during an incident.

## **Primary Audience**

ICS-100, Introduction to ICS (ICS-100.HC) should be completed by the hospital personnel that would have a direct role in emergency preparedness, incident management, and/or emergency response during an incident. Personnel designated to fulfill ICS roles (i.e. hospital emergency manager, hospital administration, department heads) should complete ICS-100, though additional participants may include the following hospital and healthcare systems staffs:

- Administration / Executive Staff of Facility
- Physicians
- Nursing
- Ancillary
- Materials/resource management
- Security/safety
- Laboratory
- Radiology
- Inter-facility transport

## **Prerequisites**

N/A. However, completion of IS 700A, National Incident Management System (NIMS), An Introduction is recommended.

## **CEUs**

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## **Course Length**

Approximately 3 hours