



## **Certified Hospital Emergency Coordinator (CHEC) Course**

CHEC incorporates concepts of mitigation, preparedness, response, and recovery in an "all-hazards" approach to ensure that hospitals are prepared to provide continued care during emergencies and disasters. The courses are taught integrating emergency management with the regulatory context in which hospitals operate. The CHEC courses have been well received both domestically and internationally since the course's inception in 2008. These courses are well suited for:

- Hospital Emergency Coordinators
- Incident Command Team & Emergency Management Committee Members
- Healthcare Coalitions and Public Health
- Emergency Departments and Hospital Staff
- County Emergency Managers
- First Responders (EMTs, police, fire)
- Long-term Care, Nursing homes, and Hospice

Currently, CHEC is divided into a 2 day Basic course directly followed by a 1 day Advanced course and includes topics such as:

- Hospital Preparedness Program Overview
- Emergency Management Overview
- Federal, State, and Local: The Process When Disaster Strikes
- NIMS/ICS/HICS Overview
- Regulations and Standards
- CHEC Roles and Integrated Response
- The Emergency Operations Plan (EOP)
- Hazard Identification/Assessment & HVA Practical Exercise
- Gaining Support for an EOP
- Emergency Communications & The Hospital Command Center
- EOP Basics
- EOP Development
- Annexes and Appendixes
- EOP Implementation
- Evaluating an EOP for Quality
- Exercising your EOP

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