

FY08 FEMA Competitive Training Grant Program

Award Number: 2008-GT-T8-K025

Addressing Evacuation and Shelter-in-Place Needs of Medically Dependent Populations Residing in High Occupancy Facilities

Program Overview

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has awarded the Yale New Haven Center for Emergency Preparedness and Disaster Response (YNH-CEPDR) a three-year competitive training grant to develop and deliver a national training program that addresses the evacuation and shelter-in-place needs of medically dependent populations residing in high-occupancy facilities. The primary audience for these courses will be first responders with homeland security related responsibilities. First receivers have been identified as a secondary audience.

Once approved by FEMA, the courses will be assigned a FEMA catalog number. The costs for the delivery of all trainings and related activities during the grant period are included in YNH-CEPDR's award. For this program, the following courses will be developed:



Awareness Level Course

This web-based course will provide an overview of the needs of medically dependent populations during evacuation and shelter-in-place.

Performance Level Course

This web-based course will provide a more detailed overview of strategies and techniques for evacuating and sheltering medically dependent populations.

Management/Planning Level Course

This instructor-led course will be targeted for emergency planners and managers who are responsible for the development, management and implementation of plans to evacuate and shelter medically dependent populations.

Program Timeline



The first year is focused on training development with years two and three identified for training delivery nationally. There will also be opportunities to participate in the assessment of plans developed as a result of these trainings as well as regional tabletop exercises in year three.



Opportunities for Collaboration

YNH-CEPDR is anticipating opportunities for collaboration among entities in the following capacities:

- Strategic guidance in course development and implementation strategies
- Subject matter expert review of draft materials
- Identification and recruitment of audiences to receive the approved courses
- Participation in a train-the-trainer module to assist in course delivery
- Participation in plan assessments
- Participation in regional exercises

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