

# EMERGENCY OPERATIONS PLANNING

## Emergency Operations Planning For Special Care Facilities and Human Service-Related Agencies

Representatives of special care facilities (e.g., nursing homes, personal care homes, shelters, rehabilitation hospitals, etc.) are invited to attend a free 1-day workshop, entitled: **Emergency Operations Planning**, which is being conducted by the University of Pittsburgh under the auspices of the Pennsylvania Department of Health Bureau of Public Health Preparedness. Briefly, the workshop is designed to assist participants in the development or enhancement of their Emergency Operations Plans. We strongly encourage a minimum of two (2) representatives, from each facility, to attend. At the conclusion of the workshop, participants will be able to:

- Articulate the need for a comprehensive Emergency Operations Plan.
- Recite and describe necessary components of an Emergency Operations Plan
- Complete a Hazard Analysis specific to one's facility or organization.
- Determine and outline the Protective Actions one's facility or agency should take in advance of any event.
- Analyze the resources required to respond to an emergency and, correspondingly, assess one's facility's or agency's capabilities and identify those which are lacking or need to be improved upon.
- Actively contribute to the development of the Emergency Operations Plan of the facility or organization in which one works.

Four (4) Emergency Operation Planning workshops have been scheduled to be held in northeast and southeast Pennsylvania: **April 1 in Luzerne County; April 2 in Northampton County; April 22 in Chester County; and April 23 in Montgomery County.** We hope that you and your colleagues will find one that is convenient for you. You do not need to live or work in the County in which you attend a workshop. For additional detail and to register, click on: <https://www.paphtc.pitt.edu/>; log in or register and look for Emergency Operations Planning Workshop. While we strongly encourage multiple representatives, from each facility/community, space is limited in an effort to optimize the learning experience. Thus, you should register early.

Continuing education credits are available for both Nursing Home Administrators and Nurses with Pennsylvania licenses.

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