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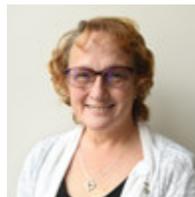
April 23 - NSGP and SHSP grant application period closes

It is with great humility, passion and emotion that I write my final note as the IDHS Director of Emergency Management. The work that we have completed together and the strides we have made collectively to keep Hoosiers as safe as possible will forever be a point of pride within my career.

Even though I'm departing IDHS, I still will be working alongside you to prepare for, respond to and recover from disasters across the state. Thank you all, and I look forward to working with each of you in the future.

IDHS Director of Emergency Management

New Director of Emergency Management Announced



IDHS has named Mary Moran, a 21-year veteran in emergency management, as the new director of Emergency Management for Indiana.

Mary brings extensive experience in disaster response and recovery. She joined the state team as a program coordinator in mitigation for what was then the State Emergency Management Agency (SEMA) before IDHS was formed in 2005. She has served as the state hazard mitigation officer, mitigation branch chief and most recently as the state recovery officer. Mary has a master's degree in emergency management from Indiana University.

Grants Training Coming Soon

With the grant application cycles beginning, the IDHS Grants Management team is committed to providing technical assistance to county and local partners. A training series is being planned, focusing on federal grant applications.

May 1 - LEPC exercise proposals due

For other upcoming dates, visit the [IDHS Calendar of Events](#).

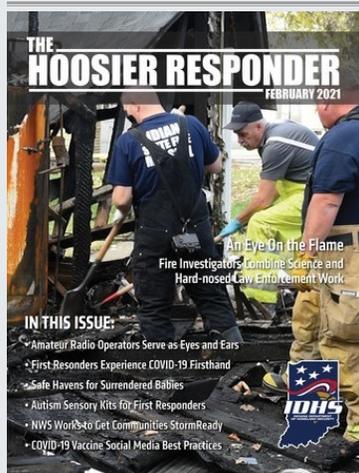
COVID-19 Vaccine Eligibility

The Department of Health has announced eligibility for all Indiana residents 16 and over. The OurShot.in.gov website continues to be the best source for answers to frequently asked questions.

Public Assistance Program

Due to the long-term nature of the COVID-19 response, the **Request for Public Assistance deadline is remaining open**. A specific deadline for RPAs will be announced when an end date for this disaster event is established by FEMA.

Continue checking the [IDHS Public Assistance Program webpage](#) for updates on guidance, trainings and other vital information.



Last Chance! [Read the February issue of the Hoosier Responder](#) before the April issue arrives.

The grants planning team [have a few questions](#) about training options and areas of confusion so that the program can be tailored to the needs of EMAs. Please complete this short survey by **Friday, April 9**.

[Complete the Survey Now](#)

PPE Update

It appears the availability of PPE has begun to normalize. IDHS is no longer receiving FEMA PPE shipments and has successfully utilized the existing supplier network in Indiana. In regards to PPE for COVID-19 response, it appears funding or availability of items should not be a barrier for local agencies.

Moving forward, IDHS will be limited in its fulfillment of requests for PPE unless the requestor can specifically identify they do not have access to funding, is not eligible for reimbursement from FEMA or has not been able to source the required items.

The [Quantity Purchase Agreements](#) provided by the Indiana Department of Administration are contracts sourced on behalf of the state and many of them (such as Fastenal, Grainger and Office Depot) include provisions that the pricing and availability must also be made available to local governmental entities, K-12 schools, etc.

In addition, the [Indiana PPE Directory](#) features Indiana companies that manufacture and distribute a variety of PPE items available for purchase. All vendors are required to be headquartered or incorporated in Indiana, to provide free shipping to Indiana businesses and schools and to abide by additional requirements.



Available Training

CISA Virtual Tabletop Exercises

This event presents a scenario applicable to the organizations' entire emergency management team, and is designed for organizations interested in raising awareness of the consequences of cyber incidents. Dates available include **April 20-22** and **June 15-17**.

FirstNet Brings Internet to the Woods

Join the FirstNet Emergency Management Webinar Series on **April 8** for a webinar focused on how public safety has utilized the FirstNet Network to support wildfire response operations. [Learn more and register.](#)

TEEX PRE100 Offerings

The TEEX Active Shooter Exercise Development Exercise Workshop is an On-Line, train-the-trainer course designed for individuals who may be responsible for developing and delivering active shooter tabletop exercises. Multiple dates are available. [Learn more and register.](#)

Locations interested in participating in the VTTX series should submit an email request to participate in the exercise to Carl.Wertman@fema.dhs.gov. Please provide a central point of contact (POC) from your organization to work all VTTX issues.

2021 EMI Virtual Tabletop Schedule Available

EMI conducts a series of VTTXs to provide a virtual forum for disaster training. The VTTX program is designed for a “community-based” group (not individual participation) of at least five or more personnel from state, local, tribal or territorial emergency management organizations with representation from all emergency management disciplines - public safety, public works, public health, health care, government, administrative, communications, military, private sector and non-governmental organizations. Learn more in [Training Bulletin 1645](#).

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