

Building Collaborative Disaster Planning Processes Between Hospitals and Emergency Management

REGISTRATION AND VIRTUAL COMMUNITY GUIDE

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Lesson Five
Recovery: Improving Your Community For The Next Disaster

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When a disaster occurs, it is imperative that local and state agencies and medical professionals caring for the sick and injured coordinate their response. Many professionals in these areas may not be aware of the processes required for effective community disaster planning and response.

This free, first-of-its-kind, integrative training addresses the importance of creating and maintaining collaborative relationships before a disaster occurs in your community, as well as how to effectively recover before the next disaster happens.

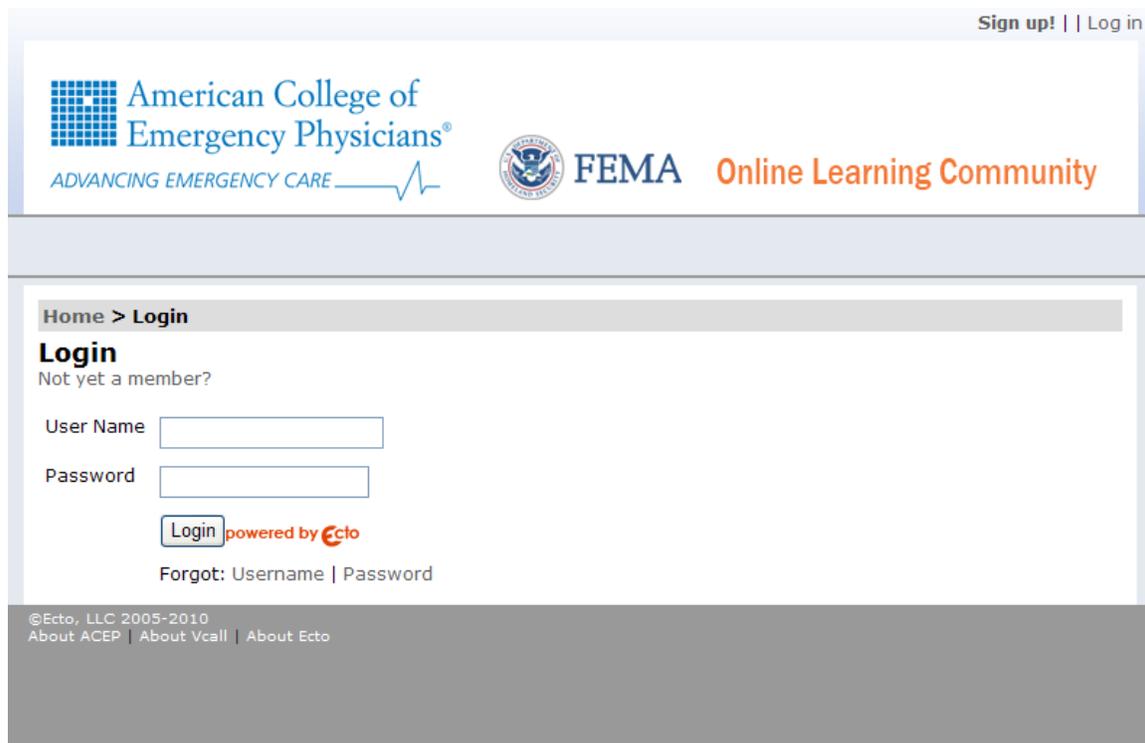
This course is directed toward those working in emergency management agencies and healthcare organizations, especially in small communities and rural areas, who have primary job responsibilities other than disaster preparedness. It is also useful for those in public health, EMS, fire services, and other organizations involved in disaster preparedness.

The four-hour online training is part of an online training portal that has several components to it. Navigation of the training portal is covered in this guide. Additionally, there will be live Q&A sessions featuring a panel of state subject matter experts (SMEs) addressing state-specific implementation of ideas presented within the training.

REGISTRATION

To access the training portal, visit <http://acep.vcallcommunity.com>.

Your screen should look like this:



The screenshot shows the login page for the American College of Emergency Physicians (ACEP) FEMA Online Learning Community. At the top right, there are links for "Sign up!" and "Log in". The header features the ACEP logo with the tagline "ADVANCING EMERGENCY CARE" and the FEMA logo with the text "FEMA Online Learning Community". Below the header, there is a navigation bar with "Home > Login". The main content area is titled "Login" and includes a link for "Not yet a member?". There are two input fields for "User Name" and "Password". A "Login" button is present, with a note "powered by Ecto". Below the button, there are links for "Forgot: Username | Password". At the bottom of the page, there is a footer with copyright information: "©Ecto, LLC 2005-2010" and links for "About ACEP", "About Vcall", and "About Ecto".

Before doing anything else, please ensure that this link is on your safe list and that pop ups are allowed for this site. (If using Internet Explorer, click on Tools, Internet Options, Privacy tab. Click on Sites, type "acep.vcallcommunity.com", click Allow, then click OK. In the Pop-up Blocker section, click Settings, type "acep.vcallcommunity.com", click Add, then click Close.)

To begin the registration process, click on "Not yet a member?" or "Sign up!" Both will take you to the same registration page.

Fill out the information on the registration page. Your user name will be generated from your first name and last name. **The first name and last name will be on your certificate of completion and cannot be changed after the registration process.**

Please fill out all information requested as it is needed to place you in your state's virtual community, and to generate statistics for use in reporting to DHS/FEMA. All reporting will be done anonymously in an aggregated fashion, without names or identifiers. Your responses and personal information will remain confidential.



My groups

Home > Sign Up

Sign Up

If you are already a member, click [here](#)!

Email Address	<input type="text"/>
First Name	<input type="text"/>
Last Name	<input type="text"/>
User Name	<input type="text"/>
Password	<input type="password"/>
Confirm Password	<input type="password"/>
Agency	<input type="text"/>
Job Title	<input type="text"/>
Work Address	<input type="text"/>
Work Address 2	<input type="text"/>
City	<input type="text"/>
State	<input type="text" value="Choose..."/>
ZIP Code	<input type="text"/>
Work Phone	<input type="text"/>
Level of Government	<input type="text" value="Choose..."/>
Student Discipline	<input type="text" value="Choose..."/>
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Your responses and all personal information will remain confidential. Any reporting of data to DHS/FEMA for statistical purposes will be done anonymously in an aggregated fashion, without names or identifiers.

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VIRTUAL COMMUNITY

After registration, you will fill out a pre-test to measure your existing knowledge, skills, and abilities. After completing this test, you will be able to review your answers with the correct answers. Instructions are listed on how to proceed to your state’s virtual community.

The virtual community for New Mexico is shown as an example below.

The screenshot displays the user interface for the ACEP FEMA Online Learning Community. At the top, it shows the user's name "Hello JHarris!" and navigation links for "Message Center", "Support", and "Log out". The main header features the ACEP logo with the tagline "ADVANCING EMERGENCY CARE" and the FEMA logo with the text "FEMA Online Learning Community".

The interface is divided into several sections:

- My groups:** A section titled "Your Group" for "New Mexico (private)", described as "For emergency responders in New Mexico". It includes a "Resign from Group" button and is powered by Vcall.
- Members:** A list of group members: Jeff Harris (JHarris), Linda Becker (LBecker) (owner), Bob Lycett (BLycett) (admin), and Samantha McKenna (SMcKenna) (admin). A "Message" button is located at the bottom of this list.
- Course Content:** A list of training modules: ACEP - Pre Test (Score: 48%), Training Module 1, Training Module 2, Training Module 3, and Training Module 4.
- Q & A:** A section for questions and answers, currently showing "(no questions found)" and an "Ask a Question" button.
- Forum:** A section for discussions, featuring a "Create New Thread" button with a "try this!" prompt and a "Go to Forum" button.

At the bottom of the page, there is a footer with copyright information: "©Ecto, LLC 2005-2010" and links for "About ACEP", "About Vcall", and "About Ecto".

Each state’s virtual community will feature that state’s flag in the “Your Group” section. The “Members” section shows all members within that state’s community.

The “Course Content” section is where each training module is accessed. Click on Training Module 1 to begin the presentation. Make sure you have pop-ups enabled if you have not already done so. Each training module is approximately one hour long.

When the module pops up, you will notice a set of four tabs. You can navigate between tabs during the presentation. For more detailed instructions on how to use the module player, go to the “Downloads” tab, scroll down until you see the instructions for download, and click on that link. Each PDF in the “Downloads” tab can be saved to your computer for future reference.

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Panel Discussion





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Select an item listed here to access additional resources or learn more about this presentation.

[Participant Guide \(PDF\)](#)
[How to use the Training Module Player](#)



You will need to watch all four training modules before you are able to complete the post-test and program evaluation. Once the program evaluation is complete, you will be able to download and print your certificate of completion for this training.

Hello JHarris! | [Message Center](#) | [Support](#) | [Log out](#)



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Online Learning Community

My groups

Your Group



New Mexico (private)
For emergency responders in New Mexico

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Course Content

- ACEP - Pre Test **Score: 48%**
- Training Module 1
- Training Module 2
- Training Module 3
- Training Module 4
- ACEP - Post Test **Score: 96%**
- ACEP - Program Evaluation Survey
- Print Certificate

Members

-  Jeff Harris (JHarris)
-  Bob Lycett (BLycett) (admin)
-  Linda Becker (LBecker) (owner)
-  Samantha McKenna (SMcKenna) (admin)

[Message](#)

Q & A

(no questions found)

[Ask a Question](#)

Forum

Create New Thread  try this!

[Go to Forum](#)

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The "Q&A" and "Forum" sections can be used to ask questions and discuss topics within your community.

Q&A section:

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My groups

New Mexico > Q & A

Questions and Answers

Question

Question **Answer** **Answered On**

(no questions found)

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Forum section:

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Forum

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Thread Name

First Post

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Each state will have a state-specific webinar scheduled during which participants can ask questions of subject matter experts (SMEs) representing the target audience. Topics can include questions already asked in the virtual community, if needed.

The SMEs on the webinar will discuss collaborative disaster planning/response from their perspectives (emergency management, hospital preparedness, public health, EMS), and about how the training relates to how things are done in your state. The webinar will be less than an hour long, and a notice will be posted to the virtual community page when it is scheduled, pending availability of SMEs.

If you have any questions or concerns not addressed here, please contact Linda Becker at lbecker@acep.org.