

Date Position Begins:	October 2026
Appointment Term:	October 2026 to March 2027
Membership Requirement:	N/A. Familiarity with disaster preparedness, disaster response, trauma systems, emergency management, emergency medicine, surgery, nursing, EMS, hospital administration, public health, or healthcare education.
Participation Structure:	Work group sits within the Education Program Area
Anticipated Duration:	18 months
Effort Requirement:	1–2 virtual meetings per month
Experience/Skills Desired:	• Familiarity with DMEP and/or disaster preparedness and response • Experience in healthcare operations, emergency management, trauma systems, EMS, public health, or hospital leadership • Interest in educational design, simulation, team training, and operational readiness • Experience participating in or leading disaster exercises, drills, or emergency preparedness initiatives is desirable

Work Group Overview

The DMEP Revision Work group will help redesign the Disaster Management and Emergency Preparedness (DMEP) course to better prepare healthcare organizations for real-world disaster response. The revised course will emphasize operational readiness, multidisciplinary teamwork, leadership, communication, resource allocation, and facility-specific disaster planning through active learning and scenario-based education.

Work group members will help ensure the revised course reflects current disaster threats, healthcare system challenges, and best practices in adult learning while supporting both traditional and hybrid delivery formats.

Work Group Deliverables

The work group will contribute to the development and review of:

- Site-specific disaster scenarios and case-based learning activities
- Team-based exercises focused on communication, leadership, triage, and operational decision-making
- Activities utilizing Hazard Vulnerability Analyses (HVAs), Emergency Operations Plans (EOPs), and regional response resources
- Educational strategies that support both in-person and hybrid course delivery
- Participant tools and resources, including action planning templates, after-action review tools, and operational readiness materials
- Recommendations for future implementation, evaluation, and ongoing course improvement

Participant Responsibilities

Work group members will be asked to:

- Participate in 1–2 virtual work group meetings per month.



- Contribute content expertise and practical perspectives to assigned areas using the templates or formats provided.
- Review course content and materials and provide edits and feedback as needed.
- Complete assigned reviews and contributions within requested timelines to support the project schedule.

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