

WHO WE HELP

Emergency Management Agencies

Departments of Homeland Security

Health Departments

Departments of Transportation

Colleges & Learning Institutions

Hospitals

Courts

Municipalities

Non-Profits

Private Companies

KEY PARTNERS

Federal Emergency Management Agency

Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene

Baltimore Urban Area Working Group

D.C. Homeland Security & Emergency Management Agency

Maryland Emergency Management Agency

Public Health

WHO WE ARE

CHHS focuses on employing our expertise to assist clients in each step of the emergency paradigm, from planning and preparedness, to drills and exercises, to real world emergency response. Our experts also help clients by interpreting cutting edge scientific and health studies to inform preparedness efforts and bridge the gap between science and policy issues. CHHS assists federal, state, and local public health agencies and hospitals in understanding the legal framework within which they must operate during an emergency response. We combine years of public health expertise with an innovative, cutting-edge approach to help clients develop practical and effective procedures, policies, and strategies.



WHAT WE DO

Planning Policy, Development, & Preparedness

- **Develop emergency plans.** Our public health experts assist state and local public health agencies and hospitals in creating standard operating procedures and emergency plans that enable them to function efficiently and prioritize services during an emergency response.
- **Prepare legal handbooks and guidance on best practices.** By designing legal handbooks and best practices guidance, we help educate representatives from public health agencies and hospitals on the framework of federal and state laws within which they must operate during an emergency.
- **Strategize for medical surge events and alternate care site needs.** Medical surge planning requires a multi-faceted approach to ensure medical, public health, legal, and ethical considerations are integrated into a user-friendly plan that can be quickly implemented during an emergency. CHHS guides clients through the legal framework and reviews the spectrum of best practices that may be used to respond to a medical surge event at primary health facilities and alternate care sites.

Exercise, Evaluation, & Training

- **Prepare for disasters.** We build compliant programs and effective exercises for hospitals and public health and human services partners to increase their preparedness capabilities for a natural or man-made disaster, including medical surge and mass casualty events.
- **Be accredited.** We evaluate preparedness and mitigation plans for hospitals in order to successfully accomplish the goals outlined in the Homeland Security Exercise and Evaluation Program (HSEEP), as well as the Joint Commission accreditation standards.

Science Policy

- **Translate for the public.** With our diverse expertise in science and public health, we help interpret the impacts of scientific research on our public health partners and the community at large.
- **Provide direction.** Our staff works with clients to interpret and implement new legislative directives to improve the care for members of the community, including those with functional needs or increased vulnerabilities.



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