

ACF National Human Services & Disasters

Virtual Leadership Training

WEDNESDAY - JULY 28, 2010



STRENGTHENING PARTNERSHIPS & ENHANCING PREPAREDNESS IN CHALLENGING ECONOMIC TIMES

****ALL TIMES SHOWN ARE EASTERN DAYLIGHT TIME****

11:00am – 12:00pm Introduction and ACF Priorities

The first hour of the Virtual Leadership Forum will highlight human services emergency preparedness and response priorities and will include an update from the new Director of the Office of Human Services Emergency Preparedness and Response as well as the ACF Disaster Case Management Program.

Opening Remarks and Welcome

David Hansell, Acting Assistant Secretary for Children and Families

Update from the ACF Office of Human Services Emergency Preparedness and Response

CAPT Juliana Sadovich, Director, Office of Human Services Emergency Preparedness and Response, Administration for Children and Families

Disaster Case Management Program

LDCR Stacey Bishop, Disaster Case Management Program Analyst, Office of Human Services Emergency Preparedness and Response, Administration for Children and Families

12:00pm – 1:00pm Strengthening Human Services Preparedness through Collaboration

Representatives from large cities at risk of catastrophic disasters will discuss projects they host that are designed to build the capacity of and enhance collaboration among their emergency human services partners. Representatives from the Seattle Human Services Department, San Antonio Office of Emergency Management, and the San Francisco Foundation will talk about trainings, meetings, and other projects that help prepare community- and faith-based organizations and disaster human services partners prepare to sustain their daily operations in the event of a disaster. Presenters will talk about how the specific programs can be replicated in other communities, and the benefits of this level of community preparedness in assisting governments and relieving some of the immediate burden of responders in the aftermath of a disaster.

Creating a Collaborative and Adaptable Non-profit/Governmental Team

Jill Watson, Emergency Management Planner, Seattle Human Services Department

Multi-Jurisdictional / Multi-Discipline Pre-Disaster Emergency Coordination

James Mendoza, Assistant Emergency Management Coordinator, San Antonio Office of Emergency Management

Philanthropic Support for Nonprofit Preparedness, Response, and Recovery

Andrea Zussman, Disaster Preparedness Project Coordinator, The San Francisco Foundation

1:00pm – 2:30pm Children's Issues During Disasters

The impact of disasters on Children track will emphasize children's unique experiences during disasters. This track will provide specific examples on how to plan for children during disasters and will explore their social and emotional experience during disasters. Please join us to learn how children aren't just little adults, but have unique needs that require specific responses throughout the emergency from planning through recovery.

A Head Start center's experience: Hurricane Katrina

New Orleans Head Start

Children in Disaster: Mega-Sheltering

Anne Palmer, American Red Cross

Children in Emergencies: Child Care Preparedness, Response and Recovery

Jeanne-Aimee De Marrais, Save the Children

Children's Disaster Services

Judy Bezon, Associate Director, Children's Disaster Services, Brethren Disaster Ministries

Preparing the Childcare Community for Emergencies: the San Diego County Experience

Debbie Macdonald, Executive Director, YMCA Childcare Resource Service

2:30pm – 3:30pm Human Services and Special Needs

This track will provide first-hand knowledge from disability advocates regarding the Disaster Recovery Case Management System (DRCMS). The panel will share how the DRCMS impacts children and families in recovery with varying types of disabilities and special needs as well as best practices. Additionally, national leaders for medical sheltering and sheltering operations will discuss leveraging resources and building partnerships to assist persons who are medically fragile, physically and mentally challenged and often disproportionately impacted by the disaster.

Disaster Recovery Case Management for Diverse Populations

Jerry Alliston, Coordinator, Institute for Disability Studies, University of Southern Mississippi

Victoria Murdy, Adjunct Professor, University of Southern Mississippi, School of Social Work / Institute for Disability Studies

Carol Stachurski, Advocacy Center for Persons with Disabilities, Inc.

Medical Sheltering and Sheltering Operations for Children and Families

Jon Bodie, Medical Sheltering Operations Coordinator, BCFS Emergency Services Division

3:30pm – 4:30pm Faith-based and Community Partnerships

This track will emphasize the important role of faith-based and community partnerships in disasters and discuss best practices and strategies to engage them in emergency preparedness, response and recovery activities in their communities. This is particularly important as both governmental and non-governmental organizations feel increasing pressure to maximize their resources and stretch their budgets in an era of declining funding sources

Building Holistic Community Capacity & Response Through Diverse Partnerships

Juliet Choi, Senior Director, Partner Services, American Red Cross

The Role of Voluntary, Faith-Based & Community Organizations in Emergency Preparedness, Response and Recovery

Nancy Turnbull, FEMA National HQ, Voluntary Agency Liaison

Planning for the Whole Community

Marcie Roth, Director, DHS/FEMA Office of Disability Integration and Coordination

4:30pm – 4:45pm Closing