

Public Health Preparedness, Planning and Response

The New Hampshire Public Health Association (NHPHA) recognizes the key role public health lays in all hazards emergency preparedness and response. To effectively protect the health and safety of the people of New Hampshire, public health must be partnered with emergency management agencies, emergency medical services, medical/health/behavior care providers, humanitarian/volunteer organizations, private businesses and federal, state and local response organizations to:

- Participate in hazard and risk assessments for the area;
- Conduct and maintain a capacity assessment and inventory of resources; and
- Develop and test plans, procedures and guidelines such as emergency operations plans and communications plans.

Resources

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