

## APPENDIX A. Acronyms

The following acronyms may be helpful. Most of these terms appear in this guide.

<b>AHRQ</b>	Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (part of HHS)	<b>EIS</b>	Epidemic Intelligence Services (part of CDC)
<b>AoA</b>	Administration on Aging (part of HHS)	<b>EMS</b>	Emergency Medical Services
<b>APHL</b>	Association of Public Health Laboratories	<b>EOC</b>	Emergency Operations Center
<b>API</b>	American Press Institute	<b>EPA</b>	U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
<b>ARC</b>	American Red Cross	<b>Epi-X</b>	Epidemic Information Exchange (part of CDC)
<b>ASTHO</b>	Association of State and Territorial Health Officials	<b>ESF</b>	Emergency Support Function
<b>ATSDR</b>	Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (part of CDC)	<b>FDA</b>	Food and Drug Administration (part of HHS)
<b>BSE</b>	Bovine Spongiform Encephalopathy (Mad Cow Disease)	<b>FEMA</b>	Federal Emergency Management Agency (part of DHS)
<b>BSL</b>	Biosafety Level	<b>FOIA</b>	Freedom of Information Act
<b>CBP</b>	Customs and Border Protection (part of DHS)	<b>FoodNet</b>	Foodborne Diseases Active Surveillance Network (part of CDC)
<b>CCRF</b>	Commissioned Corps Readiness Force (part of PHS)	<b>FSIS</b>	Food Safety and Inspection Service (part of USDA)
<b>CDC</b>	Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (part of HHS)	<b>GA</b>	Tabun
<b>CFSAN</b>	Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition (part of FDA)	<b>GD</b>	Soman
<b>CG</b>	Phosgene	<b>HAN</b>	Health Alert Network (part of CDC)
<b>CIA</b>	Central Intelligence Agency	<b>HHS</b>	U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
<b>Cipro</b>	Ciprofloxacin Hydrochloride	<b>HRSA</b>	Health Resources and Services Administration (part of HHS)
<b>CMS</b>	Center for Medicare & Medicaid Services (part of HHS)	<b>ICS</b>	Incident Command System
<b>CPJ</b>	Committee to Protect Journalists	<b>IFJ</b>	International Federation of Journalists
<b>DFO</b>	Disaster Field Office	<b>IHS</b>	Indian Health Service (part of HHS)
<b>DHS</b>	U.S. Department of Homeland Security	<b>IND</b>	Improvised Nuclear Device
<b>DMAT</b>	Disaster Medical Assistance Team (part of NDMS)	<b>IV</b>	Intravenous
<b>DMORT</b>	Disaster Mortuary Operational Response Team (part of NDMS)	<b>JIC</b>	Joint Information Center
<b>DNA</b>	Deoxyribonucleic Acid	<b>KI</b>	Potassium Iodide
<b>DoD</b>	U.S. Department of Defense	<b>L</b>	Lewisite
<b>DOE</b>	U.S. Department of Energy	<b>LRN</b>	Laboratory Response Network (part of CDC)
<b>DOL</b>	U.S. Department of Labor	<b>MRC</b>	Medical Reserve Corps (part of HHS)
<b>DQ</b>	Division of Global Migration and Quarantine (part of CDC)	<b>NACCHO</b>	National Association of County and City Health Officials
<b>EAP</b>	Employee Assistance Program	<b>NDMS</b>	National Disaster Medical System (part of DHS)
<b>EEE</b>	Eastern Equine Encephalitis	<b>NECC</b>	National Emergency Coordination Center (part of FEMA)
		<b>NEDSS</b>	National Electronic Disease Surveillance System (part of CDC)
		<b>NIAID</b>	National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (part of NIH)
		<b>NIH</b>	National Institutes of Health (part of HHS)
		<b>NIMH</b>	National Institute of Mental Health (part of NIH)
		<b>NIMS</b>	National Incident Management System



<b>NIOSH</b>	National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (part of CDC)	<b>RED</b>	Radiation-Emitting Device
<b>NMRT</b>	National Medical Response Team (part of NDMS)	<b>RNA</b>	Ribonucleic Acid
<b>NNRT</b>	National Nursing Response Team (part of NDMS)	<b>RRR</b>	Rapid Response Registry (part of ATSDR)
<b>NPHIC</b>	National Public Health Information Coalition	<b>SAMHSA</b>	Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (part of HHS)
<b>NPHPP</b>	National Bioterrorism Hospital Preparedness Program (part of HRSA)	<b>SAP</b>	Select Agent Program (part of CDC)
<b>NPRT</b>	National Pharmacy Response Team (part of NDMS)	<b>SARS</b>	Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome
<b>NRC</b>	U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission	<b>SEB</b>	Staphylococcal Enterotoxin B
<b>NRP</b>	National Response Plan (part of DHS)	<b>SERT</b>	Secretary's Emergency Response Team (part of HHS)
<b>NRT</b>	National Response Team	<b>SNS</b>	Strategic National Stockpile (part of CDC)
<b>NVPO</b>	National Vaccine Program Office (part of HHS)	<b>TMP-SMX</b>	Trimethoprim/Sulfamethoxazole
<b>OPHEP</b>	Office of Public Health Emergency Preparedness (part of HHS)	<b>USAMRIID</b>	U.S. Army Medical Research Institute for Infectious Diseases (part of DOD)
<b>OSHA</b>	Occupational Safety and Health Administration (part of DOL)	<b>USDA</b>	U.S. Department of Agriculture
<b>PHS</b>	Public Health Service (part of HHS)	<b>VA</b>	U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs
<b>PHSA</b>	Public Health Service Act	<b>vCJD</b>	Creutzfeldt-Jacob Disease
<b>PIO</b>	Public Information Officer	<b>VEE</b>	Venezuelan Equine Encephalitis
<b>PTSD</b>	Posttraumatic Stress Disorder	<b>VHF</b>	Viral Hemorrhagic Fever
<b>RDD</b>	Radiation Dispersal Device	<b>VMAT</b>	Veterinary Medical Assistance Team (part of NDMS)
		<b>WHO</b>	World Health Organization
		<b>WMD</b>	Weapons of Mass Destruction
		<b>WNV</b>	West Nile Virus