

# Emergency Public Information (EPI) Subcommittee

# Highlights EPI Subcommittee Teleconference Wednesday, March 16, 2011, 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. EDT

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#### Welcome

The EPI Subcommittee met on Wednesday, March 16, 2011, via conference call.

## **2010–2011 Objectives**

The EPI Subcommittee reviewed the status of 2010–2011 objectives and path forward.

#### **Objective Status Updates**

Enhance interagency relationships and communications by establishing partnerships/networks with surrounding cities/municipalities by developing EPI directories containing contact information of local PIOs.

**Update**: A list of PRSA regional chapters may be found at the following URL: <a href="http://www.prsa.org/Network/Chapters/Find/index.html">http://www.prsa.org/Network/Chapters/Find/index.html</a> . The list may be useful for establishing networking contacts with local PIOs.

**Path Forward:** The Subcommittee determined current PIO directories are sufficient. DOE HQ and sites keep current lists of local/regional contacts. The Subcommittee determined to withdraw the objective.



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#### **Objective Status Updates**

Seek NIMs certification for functional JIC positions. Each site may be responsible for implementing a self-paced training for JIC personnel. This training is to be completed by the end of the annual planning period. The goal is to ensure JIC personnel are certified.

**Path Forward:** The Subcommittee will determine a path forward during the EPI Subcommittee Annual Workshop. There is no DOE standard for JIC qualified training courses. Holly Hardin will request guidance from the Training Subcommittee on developing recommended training courses for qualified JIC positions. A Subcommittee Task Force may be developed to review training courses and provide a suggested training package as guidance for DOE/NNSA sites.

## **2011 EPI Subcommittee Annual Workshop**

The 2011 EPI Subcommittee Annual Workshop will be held on Monday, May 2, 2011, in Charleston, SC. The Preliminary Agenda will be sent at a later date. Live Meeting will be an option for offsite members to remotely view presentations. Live Meeting information will be sent at a later date.

The EPI Subcommittee will continue to take nominations and select a Chairperson and Co-Chairperson during the EPI Subcommittee Annual Workshop at the EMI SIG Meeting. The EPI Subcommittee Charter will be reviewed and revised to record the election process and specify roles/responsibilities of leadership positions.

#### **Need for Volunteers**

If you will be attending the May 2, 2011, EPI Subcommittee Workshop in Charleston, SC, and would like to volunteer for a role in a malevolent act scenario tabletop session, please contact Marie Dunkle (<a href="mailto:mdunkle@mindspring.com">mdunkle@mindspring.com</a>). This may be an exciting opportunity to showcase your acting skills and response knowledge!