

New Training Webinars Supporting the K-12 and Higher ED Emergency Operations Plans Guides

The U.S. Department of Education's (ED) Office of Safe and Healthy Students and its Readiness and Emergency Management for Schools (REMS) Technical Assistance (TA) Center and our Federal partners are pleased to announce a series of upcoming webinars designed to provide an in-depth review of the "A Closer Look" section of the Obama Administration's recently released [Guide for Developing High-Quality School Emergency Operations Plans](#) and [Guide for Developing High-Quality Emergency Operations Plans for Institutions of Higher Education](#). These new Guides, developed by ED in collaboration with the U.S. Departments of Homeland Security, led by the Federal Emergency Management Agency; Justice, led by the Federal Bureau of Investigation; and Health and Human Services, represent the culmination of years of work by the Federal government.

Please find detailed information pertaining to these webinars below. We invite you to join us for these exciting presentations, as well as to share this information with your colleagues and collaborative partners in the field of school and IHE emergency management so that they may also join us.

Active Shooter Situations: Describing Unique Challenges Involved in Preparing for, Responding to and Recovering from a School-Based or Postsecondary Institution Shooting

Date: August 15, 2013

Time: 1:00 – 2:00 p.m. EDT

This presentation will provide information on active shooter situations to enhance the development and implementation of the Emergency Operations Plans (EOP) for schools and institutions of higher education (IHE). The webinar will emphasize the unique challenges involved in preparing for, responding to and recovering from a shooting at a school or an IHE.

To register for this webinar [click here](#):

Implementing Psychological First Aid in School and Postsecondary Settings

Date: August 21, 2013

Time: 1:00 – 2:00 p.m. EDT

This presentation will provide participants with a description of PFA, its role following an emergency, and its use in both the K-12 and higher education settings. Additionally, strategies for developing the necessary supports prior to an emergency and for implementing PFA when needed will be presented.

To register for this webinar [click here](#):

The *Guide for Developing High-Quality School Emergency Operations Plans* and the *Guide for Developing High-Quality Emergency Operations Plans for Institutions of Higher Education* are available for free from the REMS TA Center website at the following location:

<http://rems.ed.gov/EOPGuides>. We invite you to download the Guides, and examine them in their entirety.

In addition, we encourage you to review our archived webinars, including two providing overviews of the *Guides*, and others pertaining to school emergency management, available on the REMS TA Center website here: http://rems.ed.gov/display.aspx?page=training_webinars.

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