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New CMS Emergency Preparedness Final Rule

ARE YOU READY?

DID YOU KNOW any facility contracting with the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid (CMS) MUST COMPLY with the [CMS Emergency Preparedness Requirements for Medicare and Medicaid Participating Providers and Suppliers](#) (42 CFR Parts 403, 416, 418, et al.) by November 15, 2017?

Participating Medicare and Medicaid providers and suppliers are required to meet four core elements:

-  **EMERGENCY PLAN:** Develop an emergency plan based on a risk assessment and using an “all-hazards” approach, which will provide an integrated system for emergency planning that focuses on capacities and capabilities.
-  **POLICIES AND PROCEDURES:** Develop and implement policies and procedures based on the emergency plan and risk assessment that are reviewed and updated at least annually.
-  **COMMUNICATION PLAN:** Develop and maintain an emergency preparedness communication plan that complies with federal, state and local laws.
-  **TRAINING AND TESTING PROGRAM:** Develop and maintain training and testing programs, including initial training in policies and procedures.





CONNECT CONSULTING SERVICES IS!

We specialize in **Emergency Preparedness (EP) for Health Care entities**. It is who we are. Connect Consulting Services We employs a dedicated team of health emergency management experts who have served in primary care associations, Community Health Centers and senior centers, and our military. Our Mission is to help support your healthcare agency meet CMS emergency preparedness compliance requirements this year and to develop a CMS compliance program that will keep you in compliance every year.

Our clients are Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHCs), Rural Health Clinics (RHCs), Indian Health Services (IHS), Primary Care Associations (PCAs), Clinic Consortiums, Planned Parenthood, PACE Organizations, hospice, Hospitals, etc. - well you get the idea – we understand your business.

OUR APPROACH

Connect Consulting Services has a [full suite of tools and trainings](#) developed *specifically* for Health Care. This Series is designed to **RAPIDLY**:

-  Evaluate **WHERE** Health Care Organizations currently are;
-  Determine CMS Emergency Preparedness **COMPLIANCE GAPS**;
-  Transition Health Care Organizations to **FULL COMPLIANCE** efficiently and effectively;
-  Entrust Health Care Organizations with the tools to **MAINTAIN COMPLIANCE**.

CONTACT US FOR A FREE CMS EP RULE READINESS ASSESSMENT

On the new **CMS Emergency Preparedness (EP) Final Rule** and learn how we can assist you and your Health Care Organization to not only meet the compliance deadline, but have peace of mind regarding maintaining compliance. Choose Connect Consulting Services for your emergency management, business continuity,

and disaster recovery. We help clients prepare for, learn the necessary skills to respond to, and recover from disaster through our customized and effective emergency preparedness planning, training and exercise services. Contact Connect Consulting Services' Director of Operations Norma Springsteen for the CMS Emergency Preparedness Readiness Self-Assessment at Norma@ConnectConsulting.biz.

CMS RESOURCE LIST

Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Emergency Preparedness Language - [CMS Emergency Preparedness Rule Resource Page](#)

International Association of Emergency Managers Healthcare Caucus- [IAEM Healthcare Caucus Resource Page](#)

Association of Healthcare Emergency Preparedness Professionals (AHEPP) [AHEPP CMS Resources](#)

[CMS EP Acronym Glossary](#)

HHS Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response (ASPR) Technical Resources, Assistance Center, and Information Exchange (TRACIE) [ASPR TRACIE CMS Resources](#)