

# **Emergency Preparedness Regulations: Is Your Hospital Prepared for the Next Emergency?**

10 a.m.-Noon April 27

## **PROGRAM OVERVIEW**

Many hospitals have become weary of the emphasis on emergency preparedness since the COVID-19 pandemic. But the next emergency is right around the corner, whether it be a virus or a cyberattack. Have you maintained your vigilance in your preparation activities? CMS has updated its regulations and interpretative guidelines since the original publication in 2016. This presentation will discuss rules and updated interpretative guidelines, including required policies, procedures, training and exercises.

## **LEARNING OBJECTIVES**

- Describe basic policies and procedures to comply with the regulations and interpretative guidelines.
- Describe the latest updates to CMS' emergency preparedness interpretative guidelines.
- Discuss commonly cited emergency preparedness deficiencies.
- Discuss required training and exercises.

### **INTENDED AUDIENCE**

This program is for hospitals, health systems and anyone involved with compliance regulations and standards, including:

- CEOs
- Chief medical officers
- Chief nursing officers
- Chief operating officers
- Compliance officers and legal counsel
- Emergency preparedness coordinators
- Engineering staff
- Nurses
- Quality professionals and risk managers

### **SPEAKER**

**Nancy Ruzicka** is a consultant on state and federal rules, regulations and interpretative guidelines. She previously worked as the director of integrity and compliance and privacy official at MercyOne Des Moines and the director of regulatory compliance at UnityPoint Health – Des Moines. She also has over 20 years of experience with the Iowa Department of Inspections and Appeals. Ruzicka holds master's degrees in health

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