E8520 National Preparedness Symposium (NPS)
Enhancing your Preparedness Toolbox

Course Dates:
May 23–25, 2023

Travel Dates:
Travel days are May 22 and May 26, 2023.

Course Length:
This Symposium is three (3) full days from 8:00 a.m. until 5:30 p.m. each day.

Location:
Emergency Management Institute (EMI)
National Emergency Training Center (NETC)
16825 S. Seton Ave.
Emmitsburg, MD 21727

Description:
This Symposium provides a collaborative environment for emergency management training, exercise, and planning personnel to engage peers, share information on available guidance, tools, and resources, and discuss current and future programs and initiatives.

Goal:
The goal of the NPS is to ensure key preparedness personnel at the state, territorial, tribal, and local level have current and accurate information related to training, exercises, and planning.

Prerequisites:
There are no prerequisites.

Target Audience/Selection Criteria:
Participation is limited to:

- State and territorial Emergency Management Training and Exercise Officers (STOs/ETOs)
- State Administrative Agency Training and Exercise Points-of-Contact (SAA TPOCs)
- Tribal Emergency Managers and Training and Exercise Staff
- FEMA Regional Training Managers and Regional Exercise Officers (RTMs/REOs)
- Federal Preparedness Coordinators (FPCs) and Deputy FPCs
- FEMA Regional Training and Exercise Staff
- National Exercise Division Staff
- National Training and Education Division HQ and Component Staff
- FEMA Training Partners
- Other National Preparedness Directorate Component Staff
- Representatives of FEMA training partners such as the National Domestic Preparedness Consortium and the Rural Domestic Preparedness Consortium.

To Apply:
To apply for the Symposium, EMI requires the use of a course invitation code. Contact your state, territorial, or tribal training officer to request the code. The contact information for your state or territory is found at the following link State Training Officers Contact listing (https://training.fema.gov/programs/aps/stolist.aspx)
Submit your application to NETC Online Admissions Application at https://training.fema.gov/netc_online_admissions using course code E8520 and delivery date 5/23/2023.
Enrollment closes 6 weeks prior to the Symposium start date. For more enrollment information, please contact the NETC Office of Admissions at netcadmissions@fema.dhs.gov.

**Application Review:**
To complete the justification for attendance, please refer to the target audience/selection criteria above and indicate how you meet the requirements based upon your position and experience.

**Reasonable Accommodations:**
If you need a reasonable accommodation (sign language interpreters, Braille, CART, etc.), please indicate this on your online application.

**Travel and Housing Information:**
Lodging is provided for Symposium attendees on the NETC campus. Participants staying overnight on campus are required to purchase a meal ticket for the duration of the training activity.

Upon acceptance, the NETC Admissions Office will email an Acceptance Letter. Scan the QR Code below, or click the link for a PDF copy of the NETC Welcome Package (http://training.fema.gov/EMIWeb/downloads/NETC_Welcome_Package.pdf) online:

![QR Code](image)

Notify the NETC Transportation Office at least 2 weeks prior to the Symposium date to reserve a seat. Call (301) 447-1048, ext. 1113, or email FEMA-netc-housing@fema.dhs.gov.

**EMI Point of Contact:**
For additional information, contact the EMI National Training Liaison, Dan Lubman, by email at fema-emi-preparedness@fema.dhs.gov.