## 70 Years of Training Those who Serve Our Nation

April 30th, FEMA's Emergency Management Institute (EMI) commemorated 70 years of training. EMI proudly celebrates its long and distinguished history of supporting the Nation's Emergency Management community.

To recognize its 70 years, EMI will have a year-long celebration to include webinars, podcasts, panel discussions, videos and featured speakers providing compelling insights from those who have benefitted from the Institute and its predecessor institutions in Olney, Maryland and Battle Creek, Michigan. Follow our social media channels and FEMA publications to learn about our upcoming events. Our events will highlight our accomplishments in training for the past 70 years across the nation and around the world. Stay tuned and keep checking our 70th Anniversary website (*https://training.fema.gov/70years/*) for updates.

If you would like to share how the EMI's training has impacted you and your community, submit your story to *FEMA-EMI-Social-Media@fema.dhs.gov*. We would love to hear your story.

## Highlights and News from EMI

**EMI Requests Your Assistance with Maintaining our State Training Contact Database:** EMI currently maintains a database with State Training Officers (STO) and other training staff. The database also includes State Administrative Agencies (SAA) Training Points-of-Contact (TPOC). EMI uses the contact information for communications like this newsletter, and the EMI Independent Study (IS) Program uses it to distribute the IS completion data. While we do our best to keep up with the changes, on occasion we need to verify that the information is current. Please send the current contact information for your training POCs to: *fema-emi-prepbranch@fema.dhs.gov*

## From the EMI Branches

### *Curriculum Standards and Instructional Technology (CSIT):*

The CSIT Branch is pleased to announce that EMI implemented E/L/K0139 Exercise Design and Development and IS0289 Voluntary Agency Liaison (VAL) Overview in June. In addition, CSIT approved K0142 Situational Awareness and K0431 Understanding the Emergency Management Assistance Compact for virtual delivery.

## Integrated Emergency Management (IEM):

**Homeland Security Exercise and Evaluation Program (HSEEP):** EMI has rolled out the new 2020 HSEEP training material. All RTMs and STOs have access though the Instructor Materials Download Application (IMDA). All instructors requesting the new training material are directed to coordinate with their respective STO/RTM. There is a new pre and posttest which aligns to the 2020 doctrine and available through EMIs Independent Study testing system. The EMI HSEEP course manager is collecting any comments on the new training material to add to version 2.0 which will be released at the end of FY21. For any K/L0146 course requests, IMDA access issues, and any comments on the new training material, please email *steven.cardinal@fema.dhs.gov*. Please email any HSEEP doctrine comments to *hseep@fema.dhs.gov*.

**EMI releases 2022 training schedule for VTTX Program:** The Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA's) Emergency Management Institute (EMI) has released its 2022 schedule for the Virtual Tabletop (VTTX) Program. VTTX offerings in FY22 focus on three of the eight Principals' Strategic Priorities of FEMA's National Exercise Program: 1) Cybersecurity; 2) National Security Emergencies and Catastrophic Incidents; and 3) Operational Coordination and Communication. Each VTTX is four hours in length and will allow participants to apply the Strategic Priorities to a realistic scenario in a facilitated, no fault, hazard-specific exercise discussion. Scenarios this year include:

- Natural disasters, including flooding, winter weather, earthquakes, hurricanes and more.
- Man-made threats such as active shooters and vehicles as a weapon.
- Planned large gatherings such as sporting events.
- Cybersecurity.

Several VTTX offerings this year will focus on cybersecurity. Cybersecurity VTTXs' are facilitated by the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA). They are based on a current cybersecurity issue and are available in basic, intermediate, and advanced levels. You can learn more about EMI's VTTX Program by visiting *EMI's VTTX Program overview* (*https://training.fema.gov/programs/emivttx.aspx*). To learn more about EMI's 2022 VTTX offerings and see the full schedule, see EMI's *2022 VTTX Program Bulletin* (*https://training.fema.gov/emigrams/2021/1664%20-%20training%20opportunity%20-*

*%20vttx%20fy22%20schedule.pdf?d=6/15/2021*). If you are interested in conducting a VTTX for your organization, please contact EMI's Integrated Emergency Management Branch at *fema-emi-iemb@fema.dhs.gov* or call 301-447-1381. Please email at least two weeks in advance of the training event.

## Mitigation:

The Mitigation Branch continues to work with the **Building Science** program staff on virtual course conversions and deliveries for the Building Science community. Many of these courses were suspended due the pandemic, and offerings this year are limited. Current course offerings include:

- **E0312** *Fundamentals of Building Science: Multi-hazard Mitigation Design Concepts* which is scheduled September 20 - 23, 2021, on the EMI campus. This 4-day course covers the mitigation design concepts for flood, wind, seismic, and wildfire hazards. **This is a PILOT offering. This is the ONLY offering of this course scheduled this year.** The next offering is not scheduled until July 2022. Seats are still available for this September 2021 offering. Please distribute this information to all eligible participants.

As a reminder, FEMA Floodplain Management Division (FPMD) in coordination with EMI, continues to offer the K1274 Closing the Gap Training Course. This course is for current E/L0273 instructors wishing to maintain their instructor qualification for EMI-approved deliveries of E/L0273 Managing Floodplain Development through the NFIP course. K1274 offers a comprehensive walkthrough of the content and student activity updates from the 2019 curriculum revision. The course is offered virtually to maximize attendance**. There are two offerings left for this year, July 19 – 23 and August 16 – 20, 2021 with seats remaining in each offering.** Please note, E/L0273 is in high demand by our SLTT and FEMA audience.

For questions about eligibility to participate, please contact Michael Gumpert, FPMD, Training Coordinator at: *michael.gumpert@fema.dhs.gov*.

**Note:** As an effort by EMI to ensure that RTMs are made aware of all training that is requested in the field, a question to that extent is included on the Request to Conduct FEMA EMI "L" Training Classes form. **The "Yes" block for this question MUST be checked before the training request is processed.** This process will also be followed for all EMI "K" course requests.

## Preparedness:

**Train-the-Trainer Standards for Completion:** There are five offerings of the 0449 - *Incident Command System (ICS) Train-the-Trainer Course* in Fiscal Year 2022 (FY22).

- October 25-29, 2021
- February 7-11, 2022
- March 21-25, 2022
- August 8-12, 2022
- September 19-23, 2022

All five will held virtually to maximize the participation. There was an update of the prerequisites that go into effect for FY22:

### Prerequisites (Updated for FY22)
The following courses are required: **(most current)**

- IS-100 – Introduction to ICS, ICS 100
- IS-200 – ICS for Single Resources and Initial Action Incidents, ICS 200
- E/L 0300 – Intermediate ICS for Expanding Incidents, ICS 300
  - **Certificate dated May 2019 or later**
  - **Instructor Test (IT-300) in lieu of most current**
- E/L 0400 – Advanced ICS, Command and General Staff – Complex Incidents, ICS 400
  - **Certificate dated May 2019 or later**
  - **Instructor Test (IT-400) in lieu of most current**
- IS-700 – National Incident Management System (NIMS), An Introduction
- IS-800 – National Response Framework, An Introduction
- E/L/G0191 – ICS/EOC Interface Workshop
  - **Exception- Any version of ELG0191 will be accepted through FY22**
- *Prerequisites will not be waived*

To Apply, visit the [NETC Online Application](https://training.fema.gov/generaladmissionsapplication/staticforms/startapplication.aspx) (https://training.fema.gov/generaladmissionsapplication/staticforms/startapplication.aspx).

To Review the Course Requirements, visit the NTED EMI Course Catalog *https://www.firstrespondertraining.gov/frts/npccatalog?catalog=EMI*).

**NIMS ICS Position-Specific Train-the-Trainer (TTT):** Please be advised that openings remain in upcoming National Incident Management System (NIMS) Incident Command System (ICS) Position-Specific TTT classes for FY 2021 at EMI in Emmitsburg, Maryland.

| Course # | Course Title | Dates |
|---|---|---|
| E0988 | Air Group Supervisor TTT | Aug 10-12, 2021 |
| E0974 | Finance/Administration Section Chief TTT | Aug 17-19, 2021 |

To learn more about this FEMA EMI Training Opportunity with all the selection criteria, prerequisites, and admissions information, please visit: Training Opportunity - NIMS ICS Position Specific TTT

*https://training.fema.gov/EMIGrams/2021/1655 - Training Opportunity - REVISED - NIMS ICS Position Specific TTT Course Vacancy Announcement.pdf?d=4/22/2021*

# Courses in Development:

### New Courses

| Course # | Course Title | Release |
|---|---|---|
| E/L/K0139 | Exercise Design and Development | July 2021 |
| IS0289 | Voluntary Agency Liaison (VAL) Overview | July 2021 |

### Courses Approved for Virtual Delivery

| Course # | Course Title |
|---|---|
| K0142 | Situational Awareness |
| K0431 | Understanding the Emergency Management Assistance Compact |

### Course Revisions

| Course # | Course Title | Status |
|---|---|---|
| IS-0144.a | Telecommunicators Emergency Response Taskforce (TERT) Basic Course | Live |
| IS-0230.e | Fundamentals of Emergency Management | Live |

### Course Retirements

| Course # | Course Title | Retirement |
|---|---|---|
| E/L0547 | Continuity Exercise Design | CY 2021 |
| E/L0387 | Joint Information System/Joint Information Center Planning for SLTT PIOs | CY 2021 |

# For More Information:

- **EMI Course Catalog** *(https://www.firstrespondertraining.gov/frtserver/catalogs/EMI_course_catalog.pdf?_=1603823874749)*
- **EMI Course Schedule** *(https:/training.fema.gov/emicourses/schedules.aspx)*
- **EMI Programs and Activities** *(https://training.fema.gov/programs)*
- **State Training Officers Contact Listing** *(https://training.fema.gov/programs/aps/stolist.aspx)*
- **Independent Study Program FAQs** *(https://training.fema.gov/is/isfaq.aspx)*

# Current Training Opportunities:

Please refer to the EMI Course Schedule *(https://training.fema.gov/emicourses/schedules.aspx)* for a complete list of upcoming course offerings.

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