

## **Online Independent Study Resources**

**Please Note:** *Independent Study Exams now require a FEMA Student Identification (SID) Number. If you do not yet have a SID, register for one at: <https://cdp.dhs.gov/femasid>*

### **NIMS**

**NIMS** - the National Incident Management System - is an approach to guide departments and agencies at all levels of government and the private sector to work together and manage incidents involving all threats and hazards—regardless of cause, size, location, or complexity.

*Independent Study Course Link:*

<http://www.training.fema.gov/is/courseoverview.aspx?code=IS-700.a>

*NIMS Training Program Guidebook:*

[http://www.fema.gov/pdf/emergency/nims/nims\\_training\\_program.pdf](http://www.fema.gov/pdf/emergency/nims/nims_training_program.pdf)

### **ICS**

**ICS 100 - Introduction to the Incident Command System** - introduces the Incident Command System (ICS) and provides the foundation for higher level ICS training. This course describes the features, principles, and organizational structure of the Incident Command System. It also explains the relationship between ICS and the National Incident Management System (NIMS).

*Independent Study Course Link:*

<http://www.training.fema.gov/is/courseoverview.aspx?code=IS-100.b>

**ICS 100.HC - Introduction to the Incident Command System for Healthcare/Hospitals** - introduces the Incident Command System (ICS) and provides the foundation for higher level ICS training. This course describes the features, principles, and organizational structure of ICS. This course uses the same objectives and content as other ICS courses with healthcare/hospital examples and exercises.

*Note: IS-100.HCb is an updated version of the IS-100.HC course. If you have successfully completed IS-100.HC, you may want to review the new version of the course. For credentialing purposes, the courses are equivalent.*

*Independent Study Course Link:*

<http://www.training.fema.gov/is/courseoverview.aspx?code=IS-100.HCb>

**ICS 200 - ICS for Single Resource and Initial Action Incidents** - is designed to enable personnel to operate efficiently during an incident or event within the Incident Command System (ICS). ICS-200 provides training on and resources for personnel who are likely to assume a supervisory position within the ICS.

*Independent Study Course Link:*

<http://www.training.fema.gov/is/courseoverview.aspx?code=IS-200.b>

**ICS 200.HCA - Applying ICS to Healthcare Organizations** - is designed to provide training on the Incident Command System (ICS) to healthcare professionals whose primary responsibility is emergency management, to include middle management within a hospital or healthcare system. Such professionals may include physicians, department managers, unit leaders, charge nurses, and hospital administrators that would have a leadership role during an incident.

*Independent Study Course Link:*

<http://www.training.fema.gov/is/courseoverview.aspx?code=IS-200.HCa>

## **Public Information**

**IS-29: Public information Officer Awareness** - covers basic information about the role of a State or local Public Information Officer. The goal of this awareness course is to provide an orientation to the public information function and the role of the Public Information Officer (PIO) in the public safety/emergency management environment. The topics addressed in this course include: Understanding the PIO role, using tools and resources, communicating effectively, preparing the community, and communicating in an incident.

*Independent Study Course Link:*

<http://www.training.fema.gov/is/courseoverview.aspx?code=IS-29>

## **ESF #8**

### **IS-808: Emergency Support Function (ESF) #8 – Public Health and Medical Services.**

The National Response Framework (NRF) presents the guiding principles that enable all response partners to prepare for and provide a unified national response to disasters and emergencies – from the smallest incident to the largest catastrophe. As part of the NRF, Emergency Support Functions (ESFs) are primary mechanisms at the operational level used to organize and provide assistance. This course provides an introduction to Emergency Support Function (ESF) #8 – Public Health and Medical Services.

At the end of this lesson, you will be able to:

- Describe the overall purpose and scope of ESF #8
- Identify the supplemental assistance ESF #8 provides to State, tribal, and local governments
- Identify typical actions accomplished by ESF #8 resources and teams
- Describe the types of partnerships formed between ESF #8 and other response agencies and organizations.

*Independent Study Course Link:*

<http://www.training.fema.gov/is/courseoverview.aspx?code=IS-808>