

Upcoming Events: Core Disaster Life Support Course (CDLS) offered at Hunter College

CORE DISASTER LIFE SUPPORT® VERSION 3.0
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 13
8:00AM-12:30PM

REGISTRATION
Before October 8: \$180 plus \$20 registration fee
After October 8: \$205 plus \$20 registration fee
Note: Registration fee includes the CDLS® manual!
Online: www.hunter.cuny.edu/advce
Phone: 212-650-3850 or 212-772-4292

LOCATION
Hunter-Bellevue School of Nursing
425 East 25th Street
New York, NY 10005

For additional information please visit:
www.hunter.cuny.edu/nursing/continuing-education-ce

CONTINUING EDUCATION at
HUNTER COLLEGE

HUNTER-BELLEVUE SCHOOL OF NURSING

The CDLS Course is a competency-based, awareness-level course that introduces clinical and public health concepts and principles for the management of disasters and public health emergencies. It will be held on **Saturday, November 13** from 8:00am-12:30pm at the Hunter-Bellevue School of Nursing at 425 East 25th Street New York NY 10010. For additional information please visit: www.hunter.cuny.edu/nursing/continuing-education-ce

Flu Talks in-service now available for staff and residents of Adult Care Facilities

Sign your facility up for a FREE in-service training on the flu and vaccination by a New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene flu expert. Please visit the [Flu Talks](#) section of our website to download the [promotional flyer](#), [request form](#) and [fact sheet](#) on preparing for flu season. For more information, please contact Adriana Valencia, Outreach Coordinator, at 212.481.4048 or via email at adriana.valencia@hunter.cuny.edu

FEMA offers tabletop exercises for download

FEMA now offers a series of free private sector tabletop exercise presentations for download. The first two exercises simulate a major hurricane and a rail chemical accident for an organization to discuss response plans and procedures. Each includes full instructor's notes and simulated TV news videos to add a sense of realism. The exercises typically take 2-4 hours from start to finish and can be customized where noted in the facilitator's notes to meet needs. More information is available at <http://www.fema.gov/privatesector/exercises.shtm>

New, Redesigned EP Central Website

The Brookdale Center for Healthy Aging and Longevity of Hunter College and the New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene has launched a redesigned website to further the goal of serving as a one-stop destination for Adult Care Providers to access emergency preparedness information resources. Designed from the user's perspective, [Adult Care EP Central](#) features several improvements to make it easier for adult care providers including an updated look, and new icons and banners to make it easier to navigate around the site. New additions include the [Influenza 2010-2011](#) page, a

section dedicated to [Adult Care/Assisted Living](#), Long-term Care and NORCS, and a [banner](#) that can be used to access all materials associated with [this month's audio conference](#).



Adult Care EP Central Audio Conference Highlights Foodborne & GI Illness

Please join us on **Tuesday, November 16** at 1pm for Session 17 of the Adult Care EP Central Audio Conference series.

This month our guest is Vasudha Reddy,

MPH, Research Scientist with the Bureau of Communicable Disease at the New York City Department of Health and Mental

Hygiene. Vasudha will be speaking about the Norovirus, Food Safety and GI Illness Prevention.

Please visit our website and click on the banner to download program handouts

and additional resources associated with the call: www.brookdale.org/epcentral

The monthly newsletter of emergency preparedness information and resources

The Adult Care EP Central newsletter is your link to emergency preparedness information and resources that can keep you informed and aware before, during and after a disaster. Please don't hesitate to contact the editor whenever you want to highlight an important issue concerning the NYC Adult Care community or would like to see a specific topic in emergency preparedness featured in an upcoming issue. Contact Matthew Khaled at (212) 481-4602 or by e-mail at epcentral@hunter.cuny.edu.

Need to Report a Communicable Disease Outbreak?

Call the following numbers and ask to speak to the **DOHMH Doctor on Call**

Business Hours (Mon– Fri 9am to 5pm):
Call the Bureau of Communicable Disease at **212-788-9830**

At all other times (Nights, weekends or holidays):
Call the Poison Control Center at **1-212-POISONS (1-212-764-7667)**

Tools You Can Use: Guidelines for the Prevention and Management of Bed Bugs in Shelters and Group Living Facilities

A bed bug infestation can present an everyday emergency situation that can challenge any facility. In 2008 Cornell University Cooperative Extension and the New York State Integrated Pest Management Program produced a comprehensive publication covering bed bug prevention, management and control, education and awareness. The guide was produced with input from a panel of



experts including the New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene and the New York City Department of Homeless Services. It is specifically designed for congregate settings such as group living facilities and shelters. You can find the publication at http://www.nysipm.cornell.edu/publications/bb_guidelines/

New Tools You Can Use: HHS — Health Information Privacy Disclosures for Emergency Preparedness Decision Tool

The HIPAA Privacy Rule protects identifiable health information from being used or disclosed in ways that unnecessarily compromise the privacy of an individual. In an emergency, you may be asked to disclose health information for public health emergency purposes. The Department of Health and Human Services has posted an interactive decision-making tool to help guide you in determining how the Privacy Rule applies to the disclosure in question. The tool also includes an 'at-a-glance' flowchart that provides an overview of disclosure decision-making. You can find the tool at <http://www.hhs.gov/ocr/privacy/hipaa/understanding/special/emergency/decisiontoolintro.html>

