



## Western Region Homeland Security Advisory Council Newsletter

December 2021

### Pittsfield Public Health Mobile Response Trailer

WRHSAC has purchased a Public Health Mobile Response Trailer. The Pittsfield Health Department has taken ownership of the trailer, registering and insuring it. The trailer will be primarily used by Pittsfield and the Berkshire Public Health Alliance for vaccine clinics and other Public Health response and outreach efforts. WRHSAC is purchasing another Public Health Mobile Response trailer which will be hosted in Greenfield by a partnership with Greenfield Fire Department and Greenfield Health Department. The Greenfield trailer should be online by late summer 2022.

### NPI Quick Guide, Learning Module and Workshops



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### Cybersecurity/IT Capacity Building Workshops

WRHSAC awarded funds to the Franklin Regional Council of Governments (FRCOG) to conduct a series of Cybersecurity/IT Capacity Building Workshops. The workshops were offered to educate and inform town management of what's involved with running their IT programs, so they can make more informed technology decisions, ask the right questions of their Managed Services Provider or technology personnel, and plan well. They also sought to help cultivate a culture of more technology and cyber-safety awareness at all levels of the municipality. The workshops were held virtually and were recorded.

The workshops recordings are available and can be viewed by clicking on the following links:

- Session One: [Cybersecurity Policies & Procedures Part 1](#)
- Session Two: [Policies & Procedures, Part 2: "Building a Cybersecurity Program"](#)
- Session Three: [Incident Response Planning, Part 1](#)
- Session Four: [Incident Response Planning, Part 2](#)
- Session Five: [Security and Compliance Workshop](#)

One more session: **State IT/Cybersecurity Efforts and Resources Workshop** will be held on Thursday, December 16, 2021. 9am-10:30am. If you'd like to attend [click here to](#)

[register.](#)

This final session will cover the following:

- Overview of Massachusetts-specific municipal IT and security resources
- Presentations by representatives from state agencies, MIIA, and potentially federal resources

The recording of the final session will be added, along with the other recordings, to [WRHSAC's website](#) for a limited time (approximately 6 months). Be sure to check them out while you can.

## Westfield State Higher Education Crisis Management Training

Westfield State University is hosting the training **Crisis Management Affecting Institutions of Higher Education** in March 2022. Emergencies at an institute of higher education can provide specific unique challenges. Operating as a team and having an understanding of how operations are conducted is critical to campus operations during an emergency. This program will enhance the abilities of people involved in campus operations to make colleges and universities more resilient when struck with a critical event.

The training will be held on **Tuesday through Thursday, March 8-10, 2022** at University Hall Multipurpose Room. The training is taught by TEEX (Texas A&M Engineering Extension Services). Please visit the [TEEX website to register](#). The Westfield State class can be found on page 2 of the class locations.

If you have any questions, [please contact Tom Kettle](#), Westfield State Emergency Management Director and Higher-Ed representative to WRHSAC.  
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