

Western Region Homeland Security Advisory Council Newsletter August 2024

WRHSAC and partner agency projects and trainings Summer 2024

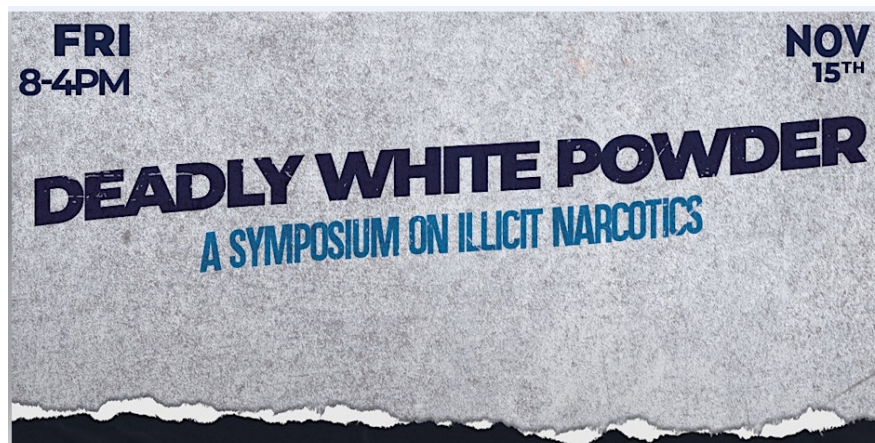
Equity in Emergency Management

WRHSAC recently finished the second phase of its Equity in Emergency Management project. The Berkshire County Boards of Health Association (BCBOHA), and the Public Health Emergency Preparedness (PHEP) Coalition in Berkshire County, completed the work on WRHSAC's behalf. The project created **Equity in Emergency Management Reports** for Western Massachusetts, each of its four counties and each of the 101 individual towns and cities in Western Mass.

These reports give an overview of the hazards and vulnerabilities facing the region as well as a reminder of the diverse range in every community of individuals with access and functional needs that are likely to require additional help in emergencies.

The municipal level reports provide a snapshot of each community and the people who are most likely to require more help in emergencies. Emergency Management Directors and other municipal officials creating emergency response plans, will find the reports valuable as they consider ways to meet the needs of all people in their municipality.

[Click here to view your town report and the project final report.](#)



Deadly White Powder - A symposium on illicit narcotics is hosted by the Department of Fire Services, the Executive Office of Safety & Security, and the Municipal Police Training

Committee.

The symposium is on **Friday, November 15, 2024**, 8am to 4pm at Gillette Stadium in Foxboro.

Experts will provide guidance on current threats including fentanyl and xylazine, as well as guidance for testing and developing the Community Response Emergency Drug Overdose Teams (CReDO).

This event is open and free of charge to any Massachusetts law enforcement, fire, EMS, paramedics, health departments and community service providers.

[Click here to register and learn more about the symposium](#)

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Event Highlights

- APX Portfolio
- Enhanced Technology
- New Products
- Update of state-wide CoMIRS 800Mhz project to be provided



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**TWO SESSIONS
3-00 PM
5-30 PM**

BERKSHIRE INNOVATION CENTER

45 WOODLAWN AVE, PITTSFIELD, MA 01201

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LIGHT REFRESHMENTS TO BE PROVIDED

Free On-Demand Electrical and Natural Gas Trainings from National Grid

Natural gas and electrical safety training certifications



National Grid provides free training for all firefighters across the Commonwealth in natural gas and electrical safety through an e-learning training module. This training was developed with the assistance of fire chiefs and field professionals to assist firefighters in learning and mitigating natural gas and electrical emergencies. The modules are completed at one's own pace and all progress is saved if a person must stop prior to

completion.

[Click here for National Grid Trainings](#)

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