

EMS Grand Rounds: Children and Disasters

Satellite Conference and Live Webcast

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Children have unique vulnerabilities during natural disasters. Children can feel very frightened and afterwards some children will show temporary changes of behavior. For most children these changes will be mild, not last long, and diminish with time. However, reminders of what happened could cause upsetting feelings to return and behavior changes to emerge again. Watching scenes of the disaster on television can be distressing for children, especially for younger children. Some children are more vulnerable, and their reactions can be more severe and last for a longer period of time.

Responding effectively to threats involving children requires preparation and coordination across multiple domains. How parents and caregivers react to and cope with a disaster or emergency situation can affect the way children react. When parents and caregivers or other family members are able to deal with the situation calmly and confidently, they are often the best source of support for their children. One way to help children feel more confident and in control is to involve them in preparing a family disaster plan.

Faculty will present information learned from real life events in Alabama to highlight personal, hospital, state, and regional-level coordination efforts on behalf of children.

PROGRAM OBJECTIVES:

1. State elements of personal and family preparedness for disasters.
2. Review hospital disaster planning and response for incidents involving children.
3. Provide an update on state, regional and national preparedness efforts for children in disasters.

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CONFERENCE DETAILS:

Target Audience: Emergency medical services personnel, first responders, nurses, social workers and other medical personnel who work with children

Continuing Education: EMS 1.25 hours, Nurses 1.25 hours, and Social Workers 1.25 hours

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