



Franklin Regional  
Council of Governments

## Region 1 HMCC Quarterly News & Updates

Thank you to all committed stakeholders in the region who helped with Coalition planning for the past 7 months - we appreciate your commitment and hard work!

We are excited to move forward as a standing coalition, and look forward to our collective impact as we further address health and medical preparedness in the region.

### Coalition Leadership Selected

**In late winter, the Coalition's core disciplines selected two HMCC Steering Committee representatives per discipline.**

We look forward to working with the new leadership! In order to ensure future continuity, one representative per discipline will serve a two-year term, and the other will serve a three-year term. Three-year terms will revert to two-year terms after the first cycle, allowing for all leadership positions to then be two-years while ensuring a healthy balance of incoming and experienced leadership. Thanks to our intrepid members who were willing to make a three-year commitment!

A [Steering Committee roster](#) is available on the [HMCC webpage](#).

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### Upcoming Training:

*What Your PIO Wants You to Know*

**Tuesday, April 26, 2016**

**11:00 AM - 12:00 PM**

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To register for this course, please visit: <https://delvalle.bphc.org/piowebinar>  
For questions about registration, please contact [delvalle@bphc.org](mailto:delvalle@bphc.org)

What would you do if a reporter or media outlet called you at work, asking you to comment on your response to the latest Zika case in your town? How would you respond to a high ranking official demanding to know the condition of a child just brought to your hospital? Healthcare and public health employees are often seen as the first point of contact by the media, patients, and the general public looking for information when an incident emerges.

This one-hour webinar will prepare public health and healthcare officials to react appropriately should they be approached by the media, city or public health officials, or loved ones of patients. Participants will learn how to respond appropriately to requests, without releasing critical information, and how to frame responses in a way that reflects well on their respective organizations.

This program was designed to meet the requirements of the Massachusetts Board of Registration in Nursing, 244 CMR 5.00 for 1.2 contact hours of nursing continuing education.

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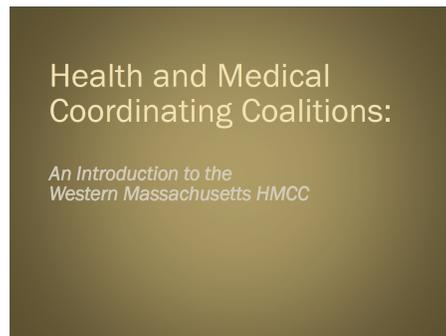
Access the flyer, with full details and registration information [here](#).

## Explaining the HMCC

We have built two distinct documents to assist Coalition members in understanding and explaining the structure and function of the Region 1 HMCC.

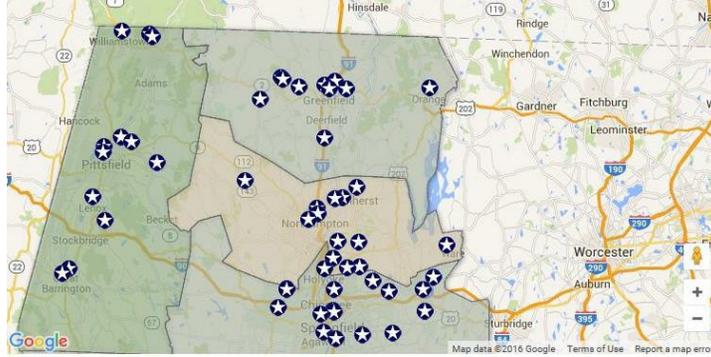
A basic brochure is now available via the website, as is a more in-depth document that offers more detail than that which can fit on a flyer. Designed to be easily read on computers, devices, or printed, we hope you find it a useful in understanding and explaining the HMCC role in regional preparedness and response.

The [brochure](#), and the [Introduction to the Western MA HMCC](#) can be found on the [HMCC website](#).



## Resource Spotlight: WRHSAC Interactive Resource MAP

The Western Regional Homeland Security Advisory Council (WRHSAC) inventory of equipment and supplies for regional use in the four western MA is back online after a hiatus and updates. Supplies are available to responders and municipalities for use on a first-come, first-served basis in the case of emergencies. We encourage you to take the interactive map for spin and see what is available in the region! You might be surprised at the extent of resources available!



**Map key** [Icons for various map features]

**★ RESOURCE EQUIPMENT LOCATIONS**  
Contact information and a list of available resources for each location can be seen by clicking on a map pinpoint.  
Click a map key equipment icon to show detailed information and where they are located.

[Check out the interactive map here!](#)

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## WEB LINKS

[Region 1 HMCC homepage](#)

[Western Region Homeland Security Advisory Council \(WRHSAC\)](#)

[Region 1 Multi-Agency Coordination Center \(MACC\) Project](#)

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