

W MA Health and Medical Coordinating Coalition (HMCC)



Spring Full Coalition Meeting Registration Open!

The HMCC will hold its second full Coalition meeting this year, open to any and all health and medical stakeholders. We will update the membership on the region's progress towards greater health and medical preparedness/response collaboration, and host a keynote by Chad Priest, Chief Executive Officer - American Red Cross Indiana Region.

Chad Priest, MSN, JD, BSN, is the Chief Executive Officer of the Indiana Region American Red Cross. Prior to joining the Red Cross, Mr. Priest served as Indiana Universities' School of Nursing's Assistant Dean for Operations and Community Partnerships.

Mr. Priest also currently serves as Senior Executive Advisor to the [MESH Coalition](#), a non-profit, public-private partnership that coordinates, supports and strengthens healthcare and related entities to mitigate, prepare for, respond to and recover from the effects of emergency and crisis events and incidents. Mr. Priest formerly served as the MESH Coalition's Chief Executive Officer for 4 years.

Mr. Priest will present "**Towards Community Resilience: The Role of Healthcare Coalitions**" from his perspective as a healthcare provider in multiple professions: as a military nurse, a healthcare lawyer, and as the CEO of a non-profit crisis management organization. Through these experiences, he has come to believe that in order to maintain individual and community health you have to mix it up - both the professions, and the interactions. In our April coalition meeting, Mr. Priest will discuss the role of community health and health equity in emergency preparedness and response coordination, including its effect on patient surge, and demonstrate that not only do we all play a role in keeping people healthy, but also that by ensuring the health of all members of our community, we emerge more resilient in times of crisis.

Friday, April 14th, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.
Mercy Medical Center
Deliso Conference Center
Main Entrance - 299 Carew St.
Springfield MA
([Mercy Campus map](#))

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