

## 4 Hour Hospital Incident Command System (HICS)

### Course Description:

This 4-hour course will provide attendees with a basic understanding of the Hospital Incident Command System and the operation of the Hospital Command Center (HCC) during emergencies. The course includes generalized hands-on training and use of HICS forms and tools. We will discuss the role of the hospital in community emergency preparedness and response, and the importance of collaborative planning. Strategies for implementing HICS in the hospital will be provided.

### Course Objectives:

- Outline the historical development of HICS
- Discuss why HICS is important in a hospital / healthcare setting
- Identify the key National Incident Management System (NIMS) principles and concepts
- Discuss National Incident Management System (NIMS) implementation activities for hospitals
- Identify the principle concepts and features of HICS
- Describe the roles and relationships of the Incident Management Team
- Examine the application of the HICS element
- Describe the key actions taken in the development of an Incident Action Plan (IAP)
- Discuss a scenario-based exercise

### Who should attend?

- Hospital Administrators, Emergency Program Managers
- Emergency Preparedness committee members, Hospital Emergency Operations center staff, Educational services staff, Department managers
- Medical directors and physicians, Public Health Officers and emergency planners
- Safety Coordinators, Risk managers and legal affairs personnel
- Clinic staff and administrators, Medical and health operational area coordinators

### Earned Credentials:

Successful completion of the course will earn participants 4 Continuing Education Units (CEUs) (Ohio Board of Nursing through the approver unit at the Ohio League for Nursing) and a certificate verifying this achievement.