



The Express: May 2021 (Update #2)

This issue of *The Express* highlights the following new/updated resources:

- Updated: [Facility-Specific CMS EP Rule Requirement Overviews](#)
- [Be a COVID-19 Vaccine Champion](#) (Webinar)
- [2020 in Review: Medical Supply Chain Responses to the COVID-19 Pandemic](#)
- [Hospice and COVID-19](#)
- [Home Care and Hospice during COVID-19: A Rural Perspective](#)

In light of recent cyber breaches in healthcare and elsewhere, we invite you to check out [the webinar](#) that features presenters discussing their experiences and lessons learned from previous cyber incidents. Our recently released [Healthcare System Cybersecurity: Readiness and Response Considerations](#) document and accompanying [overview presentation](#) also provide helpful information.

Please continue to access our [Novel Coronavirus Resources Page](#), the National Institutes of Health [Coronavirus Disease 2019 \(COVID-19\) Treatment Guidelines](#), and CDC's [Coronavirus webpage](#), and [reach out](#) if you need technical assistance.

Updated: Facility-specific CMS EP Rule Requirement Overviews

In 2016, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) issued the [Emergency Preparedness Requirements for Medicare and Medicaid Participating Providers and Suppliers Final Rule](#) to establish consistent emergency

preparedness requirements for healthcare providers participating in Medicare and Medicaid, increase patient safety during emergencies, and establish a more coordinated response to natural and human-caused disasters. [These documents](#), updated in 2021, combine excerpts from the Final Rule, the Interpretive Guidelines, and revisions from CMS to provide a consolidated overview document for the facilities that must comply with the rule.

New: Be a COVID-19 Vaccine Champion

Increasing vaccine confidence can bring real benefits to your community—lowering COVID infection rates, hospitalizations, and deaths—but vaccine hesitancy remains a real issue in many communities. [In this webinar](#), the speakers discuss the campaign designed to build confidence in and address hesitancy related to COVID-19 vaccines.

New: 2020 in Review: Medical Supply Chain Responses to the COVID-19 Pandemic

Nicolette Louissaint, PhD, the Executive Director of Healthcare Ready, shares how they leveraged unique relationships with government, nonprofit, and medical supply chains to build and enhance the resilience of communities before and during the COVID-19 pandemic in [this brief recording](#). Access the rest of the [Healthcare Operations during the COVID-19 Pandemic](#) speaker series for more information.

New: Home Care and Hospice during COVID-19

[Hospice and COVID-19](#) and [Home Care and Hospice during COVID-19: A Rural Perspective](#) highlight how agencies amended these services to protect patients and providers during the pandemic.

ASPR's New Federal Advisory Committees: Apply Today!

ASPR is now accepting applications for its two new federal advisory committees: [National Advisory Committee on Seniors and Disasters \(NACSD\)](#) and the [National Advisory Committee on Individuals with Disabilities and Disasters \(NACIDD\)](#).

Subscribe to the Division of Critical Infrastructure Protection's Bulletins

ASPR's Division of Critical Infrastructure Protection (CIP) recently launched the Healthcare and Public Health Sector Infectious Disease Update. This newsletter can help you keep track of the 2021 Ebola outbreaks and other emerging infectious diseases by providing you with the latest news and resources. Keep your organization resilient and prepared for infectious disease—subscribe today by visiting the [CIP bulletins subscription webpage](#).

COVID-19 Clinical Rounds Peer-to-Peer Virtual Communities of Practice

are a collaborative effort between ASPR, the National Emerging Special Pathogen Training and Education Center ([NETEC](#)), and [Project ECHO](#). These interactive virtual learning sessions aim to create a peer-to-peer learning network where clinicians from the U.S. and abroad who have experience treating patients with COVID-19 share their challenges and successes; a generous amount of time for participant Q & A is also provided. These webinar topics are covered every week:

- EMS: Patient Care and Operations (Mondays, 12:00-1:00 PM ET)
- Critical Care: Lifesaving Treatment and Clinical Operations (Tuesdays, 12:00-1:00 PM ET)
- Emergency Department: Patient Care and Clinical Operations (Thursdays, 12:00-1:00 PM ET)

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