

**New Hampshire Institute for Local Public Health Practice
at the Manchester Health Department
announces the following course offering:**

Local Public Health Emergency Preparedness and Response

Description:

This course will provide an introduction to the basic principles of emergency preparedness and response at the local public health level. Topics discussed will include the structure of the incident command system within public health and the effective use of risk communication techniques. Various types of public health emergencies will be covered, such as biological, chemical, radiological, and natural. The course will conclude with an interactive, group exercise that engages participants to apply principles and practical skills learned throughout the course. All course materials are provided free of charge to course participants.

Instructors:

- ✓ Philip Alexakos, MPH, REHS; Chief of Environmental Health and Emergency Response, Manchester Health Department
- ✓ Guest Speakers/Content Experts from various state and local agencies will also instruct portions of the curriculum.

Reference Book:

(Provided) Landesman, Linda Young; *Public Health Management of Disasters: The Practice Guide, Second Edition*

**Many other handbooks/resources will be provided.*

Commencing: Thursday, March 8, 2012 – Thursday, April 12, 2012
(Meets Every Thursday for Six Weeks)

Time: 9:00am - 12:00pm

Location: Manchester Health Department
Carol Rines Conference Center
1528 Elm Street (lower level)
Manchester, NH 03101

Cost: FREE including reference book and materials

Course Registration:

Space is limited. If you are interested in this course, please register immediately.

- **The registration deadline is Monday, March 5, 2012.** Please register online through the NH TRAIN website at www.nh.train.org. If you do not have access to the internet, contact Michelle Harrington at 603-628-6003 ext. 343.
- **Attendance Policy:** *Attendance and participation in the final group activity is mandatory for successful completion of this training program. Also, because this is a 6 week course, participants are not allowed to miss more than 1 class. Extenuating circumstances will be considered on a case by case basis.