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**Massachusetts Region 2  
Partnership for the  
Enhancement  
of Regional  
Preparedness  
(PERP) Grant**



# About PERP

The City of Worcester, Division of Public Health, along with all central Massachusetts health and medical related organizations, was awarded a partnership grant from the Massachusetts Department of Public Health, Bureau of Emergency Preparedness in January 2009. This grant, known as the Partnership for the Enhancement of Regional Preparedness (PERP) grant, is designed to enhance regional collective capacity to share resources and respond to public health and medical threats and emergencies throughout Region 2. This initiative will be accomplished through the development and implementation of plans, procedures and protocols on how best to manage the flow of information during an emergency, how to develop and implement mutual aid plans and memoranda of understanding (MOUs), and how best to respond to the health and medical challenges presented by disasters and emergency situations.



Map of MA  
Emergency  
Preparedness  
Region 2

# PERP Goals

- Develop mutual aid agreements and memoranda of understanding to share assets, personnel and information;
- Integrate planning and preparedness activities across member organizations and other disciplines;
- Develop and implement plans and procedures that enhance the health and medical response capabilities within the region;
- Test the plans, protocols and MOUs which are developed by means of HSEEP-compliant exercises and drills.

# Who Will Benefit?

All health and medical related disciplines, including local health departments, hospitals, long term care facilities, health centers, EMS, specialty care hospitals, physicians, emergency managers and home health agencies can benefit from the resources and programs established by the PERP grant.

PERP Executive Committee Organizations:

- Central Mass EMS Corporation
- City of Worcester, Division of Emergency Management
- City of Worcester, Division of Public Health
- Great Brook Valley Health Center
- Mass Senior Care Association
- Milford Regional Medical Center
- UMASS Memorial Medical Center
- VNA Care Network and Hospice
- Whittier Rehabilitation Hospital
- Worcester District Medical Society

# Your Organization's Role

- ♦ Serve as a representative for both your organization and discipline.
- ♦ Support the grant committee through information sharing and participation in trainings and exercises.
- ♦ Requested information includes but is not limited to your organizations most recent Hazard Vulnerability Analysis (HVA), completion of grant related surveys and up to date point of contact information.