

## Introduction to Public Health Preparedness Course

### Module 3: Public Health Emergency Response

Module three will provide participants with an understanding of public health's role in emergency response and the overall emergency response network. Participants will become familiar with the principles and concepts of the Incident Command System (ICS) and learn how to apply the ICS structure during a public health emergency response phase.

#### Learning Objectives:

After completing this module, you will be able to:

1. Describe the roles that public health partners play in emergency response
2. Describe the emergency response network
3. Recognize communication pathways that may be activated during an emergency response
4. Describe the basic structure of the Incident Command System using standard nomenclature
5. Recognize the benefits of adopting the Incident Command System
6. Give examples of how the Incident Command System can be applied at the local level

#### Core competencies addressed:

- Competency 1: Describe the public health role in emergency response in a range of emergencies that might arise.
- Competency 2: Describe the chain of command in emergency response.
- Competency 3: Identify and locate the agency emergency response plan (or the pertinent portion of the plan).
- Competency 6: Describe communication role(s) in emergency response:
  - within agency
  - with media
  - with the general public and
  - personal (family, neighbors)