

To do the greatest good for the greatest number.

# EMU C-CERT Responder

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## Time to Prepare...

Congratulations to the EMU graduates! And, some may find things a bit slower—but not for long. We all have very busy schedules with work, school and family activities that sometimes makes it difficult to add another activity. So take advantage of small lulls in the action to prepare for an emergency situation. Here's a recommendation:

The website, [www.doathing.us](http://www.doathing.us), offers a 12-month program that makes it easy for you to prepare yourself, your family and your community for emergencies and disasters. The doathing program breaks the job of emergency preparedness into 12 smaller monthly pieces. Each month, the program focuses on one area of emergency preparedness and provides a variety of actions and resources that you can use to become better prepared. If you doathing each month, by the time a year has passed, you will have taken big steps towards preparing yourself, your family and your community for emergencies and disasters.

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*"One is not exposed to danger who, even when in safety, is always on their guard."*

Check out FEMA's new site, "FEMA in focus." This site will keep you up to date with disaster declarations and preparedness efforts across the country. [FEMA in focus](http://www.fema.gov)

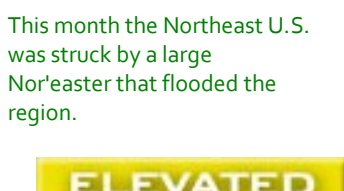
## Preparedness Developments

Over the past two months the EMU Emergency Management Office has taken on many new projects. The first is the creation of a template for Building Emergency Plans that will be used for every building on the Ypsilanti campus. These plans when finished will provide students, faculty, staff and visitors basic emergency response information, to include shelter-in-place and building evacuation, for natural and human-made events. Check with your building administrator to review your building's plan. If it hasn't been developed yet offer your assistance as a CERT member to help get it moving forward and let us know you so we can help.

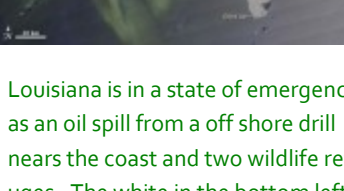
In conjunction with the BEP, we are currently rewriting the campus wide Emergency Response Procedures (ERP). This is a step-by-step document that provides clear directions for how to protect yourself and others in various emergency situations. This is an update of the plan created in 2008 and includes recent changes to policies and systems on campus.

Additionally, the information contained in the new ERP will be put into new, modern styled emergency flipcharts that will be distributed to departments. Also, we will be creating wallet sized fold outs that will contain emergency response information. The fold outs are wallet sized and fold out to a 8 1/2" X 11" sheet of paper. They will be full color and contain a map of campus, steps to take in an emergency, emergency contact information and more. We are very excited about these and can't wait to start distributing them.

## What's going on with C-CERT?



This month the Northeast U.S. was struck by a large Nor'easter that flooded the region.



Current Threat Level



Louisiana is in a state of emergency as an oil spill from an off shore drill nears the coast and two wildlife refuges. The white in the bottom left is the oil, it's expected to make landfall today.

Here is a listing of projects we have with the C-CERT team. We want your help. So if something sparks your interest or you feel you could help, let us know.

- We are currently in the process of updating all of the CERT members contact information and thank you to everyone for your quick responses. However, there are still some people who have not turned in there updated information. If you believe you may be one of them, please check your email or let us know that you need the forms and we will send them.
- EMU CERT has a Facebook page. Search for Eastern Michigan University CERT and join the page. This page is an unofficial way for all of us to connect and communicate with each other.
- CPR, AED, and First Aid training is to be scheduled soon. We know everyone really wants to be trained so we'll be sure to get this to you. May is looking likely.
- Be sure that you have registered on the [Michigan Volunteer Registry](http://www.michiganvolunteerregistry.org). This makes you an OFFICIAL CERT Member in the Michigan CERT program.
- The Michigan State Police will be offering multiple Train the Trainer Courses during the summer. These classes teach you how to be teach CERT. The next dates are June 23rd and 24th from 8AM to 5PM in East Lansing. Please RSVP to us and we will get you registered.
- Marketing is in the process of installing new digital display boards that will be strategically placed around campus. These will be used to advertise events on campus and welcome visitors. Additionally, DPS will have access to these boards to post emergency information. This will become another layer of our emergency alert system and we're very excited about it.
- The FBI, Department of Education and the U.S. Secret Service released a study of targeted violence incidents on U.S. campuses of higher learning. You can read the report at this link as it is public domain: <http://www.secretservice.gov/ntac/CampusAttacks041610.pdf>
- We are also very excited to be working with the Washtenaw County CERT team. Members of the EMU CERT Team are encouraged to join the Washtenaw Team too. We will be working with them closely as both teams continue to grow.

Please let us know if we overlooked something.

## Michigan Volunteer Registry Conference

The Michigan Department of Community Health, Office of Public Health Preparedness invites you to attend the second annual conference for individuals registered with the MI Volunteer Registry and other volunteer organizations. This free, one-day conference will be held in East Lansing, at the Kellogg Hotel and Conference Center on June 25, 2010.

Both experienced and novice volunteers that would be willing to respond in a public health or healthcare emergency are encouraged to register today at <https://MI.TRAIN.org>, Course ID:1021628.

The goal of this great educational opportunity is to highlight volunteer preparedness efforts; making participants better prepared, more knowledgeable, and confident in their roles for when the next disaster strikes. Sessions are designed to enhance knowledge for different types of disasters and improve your response skills as a volunteer.

(Continuing education credits pending for EMS and Pharmacists).

Thank you!

[If you are planning on going, let us know as we might be able to carpool. Everyone on the EMU C-CERT is supposed to be registered in the [Michigan Volunteer Registry](http://www.michiganvolunteerregistry.org).]



## May

- 10th: Spring Classes Begin
- 10th and 11th: Critical Incident Stress Management Course  
Halle Room 320 9AM— 4PM Pre-Registration Needed  
Faculty and Staff only please
- 14th—16th: CERT Games  
Howell Nature Center Pre-Registration Needed
- 26: Bi-Monthly C-CERT Meeting  
Student Center Room 350 11:30AM—1:00PM

## June

- 4th and 11th: CERT Training  
Student Center Pre-Registration Needed
- 23rd and 24th: CERT Train the Trainer (TTT) 8AM—5PM both days  
MSP Training Center, Lansing Pre-Registration Needed
- 25th: Michigan Volunteer Registry Conference  
Kellogg Hotel, Lansing 8AM—4PM Pre-Registration Needed

## H1N1 Flu Update

In Spring of 2008, a new virus was discovered that it seemed no one was immune to. This virus was called H1N1 or Swine Flu. Federal, State and Local governments along with many non-profits and educational institutions, including EMU, began a national campaign to control the outbreak. By October, the US was officially in the middle of a pandemic. Washtenaw County reports that to date there has been 80 reported hospitalizations and two adult deaths. EMU has had only a few confirmed cases and no deaths. For more information on how the H1N1 virus was handled please visit: <http://flu.gov/firstyear/index.html>. This site has a great video that outlines the federal response to the virus. We also congratulate all of EMU as we avoided having a serious outbreak on campus. Good job!!

Sign up for the EMU Rave Text Alert System today!!!

[www.emich.edu/alerts](http://www.emich.edu/alerts)

If you know of anyone who may be interested in joining C-CERT, please have them contact us and we'll send them everything they need. Please don't be shy about asking people.

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