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Dear Physicians,

Happy New Year!

Below please find several links to online FEMA courses recommended for all physicians, managers, supervisors and directors to complete. Several of you may have completed in the past, but it never hurts to take the class again even for just a refresher. All classes are available free of charge through FEMA.gov and you will receive a FEMA certificate upon completion. The four links below are the particular classes recommended for management level healthcare providers. The courses are part of the NIMS program which promotes the National Information Management System utilized by the federal government in times of disaster. Once you click the link for the class you wish to take, you will be brought to screen which will provide you with the course overview. Click the link labeled "interactive web-based course" to load the course information. Once you have reviewed, click the link labeled "take final exam" to load the test.

From time to time, the NJ DOH will request a count of how many individuals in our facility have completed these classes. In an effort to not only boost our numbers, but more importantly, increase our emergency preparedness knowledge within the medical center, please take some time and complete all three classes. Please send me an email each time you have completed one of the recommended courses. We will add this to our overall building total.

- IS-200.HCa Applying ICS to Healthcare Organizations
- IS-700.a National Incident Management System (NIMS), An Introduction

There is an advanced level course, also suggested but not required. Feel free to take this one as well!

• IS-800.b National Response Framework, An Introduction

Thank you in advance.

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