

Disaster Management Conference

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**“Reshaping our priorities,
preparing for
the unexpected.”**

February 27 - 29, 2008

Canad Inns - Polo Park
1405 St. Matthews Avenue
Winnipeg MB

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Global Impact Local Response

- Dates:** February 27, 28, 29, 2008
- Location:** Canad Inns Polo Park
1405 St. Matthews Avenue
Winnipeg, MB
Phone: 204-727-1422 or toll free 1-888-332-2623
- Rooms:** Conference delegates can book rooms at a Group Rate of \$89 for single or double occupancy, plus 13%
- Registration Fee:** \$250 n If paid registration received prior to January 18, 2008
\$300.00 for regular registration
PLEASE COMPLETE THE REGISTRATION FORM ATTACHED!
PLEASE NOTE: ONLY REGISTRATIONS WITH PAYMENTS ATTACHED WILL BE PROCESSED!
- Includes:** 2 Breakfast / 3 Lunches / 2 Dinners
Thursday evening dinner (A limited amount of extra tickets may be purchased on Wednesday for \$45)
- Special Meal Requirements:** The conference makes every effort to provide a healthy appealing menu for all meal functions. If you require a special meal or meal exceptions, please advise the Registrar when registering.
- Parking:** Free and ample parking at the Hotel
- Updates:** For additional Information or updates please check:
www.manitobaemo.ca OR www.winnipeg.ca

Conference Executive Committee

Cameron Buchanan	Don Brennan
Randy Hull	Shelley Napier
Don Timmerman	Sara Wiebe
Richard Hollands	Paul White

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The Disaster Management Conference 2008 offers:

- n 5 plenary speakers
- n 7 concurrent speakers
- n Networking opportunities
- n 3 Workshops
- n Dinner and Entertainment
- n Door Prizes
- n Special Counter Terrorism Sessions

Statement of Purpose

To further increase the level of emergency preparedness in Manitoba and promote the principles of disaster management planning and public awareness by:

- n Sharing experiences
- n Showcasing technologies
- n Providing information, tools and solutions to problems
- n Creating network opportunities

Who Should Attend

- n Emergency Preparedness Planners
- n First Responders
- n Elected Officials
- n Safety Officers
- n Business
- n Health Professionals
- n Educators
- n Policy Makers
- n Non Governmental Organizations

Partnerships

Our partners are:

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PROGRAM INFORMATION

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2008 - DAY ONE

- 8:30 am – Noon **Registration**
- 12:15 - 1:15 pm **Lunch with opening remarks/announcements**
- 1:15 pm – 2:30 pm **The Human Side**
Captain (Padre) Rod Buck of the Queen's Own Cameron Highlanders of Canada will discuss the human side of military deployment to a war zone. The effects on members and their families. Captain Buck was on active duty in Afghanistan during Canadian combat operations for six months.
- 2:30 pm – 3:00 pm **Break**
- 3:00 - 4:15 pm **Breakout Session A**
- A1 *Search and Rescue Manitoba***
Doug Popowich, will provide an overview on SAR in Manitoba. When, Where, What and Why.
- A2 *Joint Emergency Preparedness Program***
Cameron Buchanan, will provide an overview on this very successful federal program. What qualifies and how to apply will be covered at length.
- A3 *The Guardian Program***
Russ Waugh, Emergency Coordinator for the Village of St. Pierre-Jolys will outline the innovative Guardian Program.
What led to its creation and where the program is at today.
- A4 TELUS**
Communication and Industry information from our Gold Partner, TELUS

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THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2008 - DAY TWO

7:45 am - 8:45 am **Breakfast Special: Tickets provided**

8:45 am – 10:00 am **DISASTER PREPAREDNESS AND DISABILITY:
Keeping ALL of Your Community Safe**

Preparation for disaster is the best way to minimize the impact - not least of all for those members of your community who are particularly at risk. Disability, age, isolation are all social factors that belong in your emergency plan. By considering disaster preparedness through the eyes of Manitobans with disabilities, this presentation will raise important issues and offer strategies so your plan leaves no one behind. This dynamic panel presentation will include representation from a number of Manitoba disability organizations:

Doug Lockhart and Joanne Legault, the Independent Living Resource Centre; Sheila Carlin, Deaf Centre Manitoba; Larry Baillie, Manitoba Brain Injury Association, Inc.; and Debbie Van Ettinger of Fokus Housing. The panel will be introduced by Yutta Fricke of the Disabilities Issues Office of the Province of Manitoba.

10:00 am – 10:30 am **Break**

10:30 am - 11:45 am **BREAKOUT SESSION B**

B1 Foreign Animal Disease in Manitoba

Dr. Rick James-Davie and Dr. David Bates from Canadian Food Inspection Agency

Will reflect on Foreign Animal Disease in Manitoba. Although Avian influenza is very topical, there are other dangers lurking in our animal populations.

B2 Volunteer Mobilization and Management

**Karen - Denise Cyr and Colleen Watts,
will challenge you and ask, are you ready?**

Using the Incident Command System (ICS), this workshop will provide guiding principles, suggested induction and screening practices and typical job descriptions for a health care setting to support disaster mitigation, preparedness, and response and recovery efforts. This workshop will also be of value to organizations from any sector engaging volunteers to support disaster management activities.

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B3 Disaster Preparedness and Seniors

Vicki Toews, Manitoba Seniors and Healthy Aging Secretariat

Jodi Kelloway, Office of Disaster Management, Manitoba Health and Healthy Living

Disasters that have occurred in Canada and around the world have demonstrated that older adults can be more vulnerable to their impacts. It is important for emergency managers to understand that seniors are not a homogenous group; that they have a variety of needs and capacities.

B4 Roche Pharmaceuticals, Dr. Holmes associated with Global Consulting will highlight operational elements of pandemic planning.

Influenza Pandemic Preparedness Planning is a complex process with numerous interrelated considerations. Mainstream media has a penchant for repeatedly sharing the same set of facts about avian influenza, H5N1, and historic influenza pandemics. While this is all valuable information, what is often missing are the "how to" elements of preparing for a pandemic. Join Dr. Holmes as he breaks down the planning process into bite-sized operational elements that can be easily executed.

11:45 pm - 12:45 pm

Lunch

12:45 pm - 2:00 pm

Minnesota Bridge Collapse - The Local and State Perspective

Terri L. Smith, Branch Director - Response, Recovery and Mitigation Branch - Minnesota Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management.

The presentation will; detail information about the bridge, Local response, how they are dealing with the loss of infrastructure, how the state supported incident, surprises and lessons learned, and a short video tribute to the victims.

2:00 pm - 4:30 pm

Workshop Session

W1 Reception Centre 'Live', hosted by Joe Egan

This interactive session will have you experience first hand the process of registering and receiving services from a Winnipeg reception centre. You will see the physical layout of a reception centre and experience by way of narration and presentation the various sectors and agencies that operate within the centre. City of Winnipeg transit buses will deliver participants to and from the reception centre. Maximum 150 participants.

W2 Exercise Design, hosted by Shelly Napier

This workshop will demonstrate a two hour exercise based on the national doctrine outline using the eight steps to exercise design. Conducted by emergency coordinators from the Interlake Region this workshop will test an Emergency Operations Centre Team using a tornado scenario.

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W3 To Speak or NOT to speak, hosted by Paul White

“The Good, the Bad and the Misquoted” - Any disaster or incident requiring a major emergency response will attract media. In communities of every size, the bigger the impact, the bigger the media contingent chasing the story. This session will provide helpful hints on how to help media help you in a crisis. It features a lighthearted look at the mystery around the difference between what you actually say to media - and what the final report says you said!

THURSDAY CONFERENCE DINNER EVENING, FEBRUARY 28, 2008

6:00 pm

Cocktails

6:30 pm

Dinner & Door Prizes

8:15 pm

Special Entertainment

“Dean Gunnarson” is well on his way to being the Greatest Escape Artist of all time” - Quote by Guinness Book of World Records TV Show.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 29, 2008 - DAY THREE

8:15 am - 9:00 am

Special Breakfast - Ticket provided

9:00 am - 10:15 am

Pandemic Planning in Manitoba

Dr. Joel Kettner, will have open discussion around where the province is at, with regards to Pandemic Planning. What new developments have developed and what are the current best practices being put out there by World Health Organization, Health Canada and Manitoba Health.

10:15 am - 10:45 am

Break

10:45 am - 12:00 pm

Dawson College, Assistant Director Pierre-Paul Pichette, Montreal Urban Community Police

Will speak on the response and recovery around this Canadian tragedy, September 13, 2006. Now 18 months later, much reflection has occurred and stories shared. Delegates will walk away from this session better prepared to handle such an event in their community.

Noon - 12:45 pm

Lunch

12:45 pm - 1:45 pm

Don Brennan, Director of Operations for EMO will deliver a retrospective of Manitoba events since our last conference.

1:45 pm - 2:00 pm

Closure and Evaluation

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SPECIAL PRE-CONFERENCE AND CONFERENCE SESSIONS

WITH ANDREW CLANCY

COUNTER - TERRORISM COMMAND - NEW SCOTLAND YARD

“Terrorist Attack or Sudden Event”

Preparing for the unthinkable is something emergency management people do on a regular basis. Yet a terrorist attack or large “sudden event” has not been on the radar until recently.

This highly interactive exercise is designed specifically for crowded places, like shopping centres, sporting events and festivals.

The exercise is a mix of video and audio inputs whereby the participants are taken through a terrorist attack and faced with a series of questions as to what their short term and also long term actions would be to protect staff and their business.

Each session is limited to 80 participants, to ensure a positive learning atmosphere.

TA 1 Pre-Conference Terrorist Attack Session

Wednesday, February 27, - 8:45 am to 11:45 am

TA 2 Thursday, February 28, - 1:30 pm to 4:30 pm

NOTE: You do not need to select a workshop option, this would be your option.

TA 3 Friday, February 29, - 9:00 am - 12:00 noon

NOTE: You will miss Friday morning keynote speakers with this selection.

NOTE: Delegates will be registered as they are received, “first come, first served” concept. Fourth option is NOT to attend any of these special session.

Based on conference registrations, it may be possible not all delegates will be able to attend this special session.

