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Geriatric Preparedness, Triage and Treatment in Disasters (EM 260)

THE NEED

The federal Pandemic and All-Hazards Preparedness Act recognizes that disasters place children, pregnant women, senior citizens and other individuals at risk for increased morbidity and mortality. Senior citizens represent a special subset of individuals at-risk, as they have unique physiological and pharmacological considerations. **Geriatric Preparedness, Triage and Treatment in Disasters (EM 260)** introduces clinicians acting as first receivers to the unique challenges encountered with the elderly population in a disaster incident.

TARGET AUDIENCE

- ▼ Intermediate-level
- ▼ Recommended for physicians, other direct care givers, first receivers and first responders

MODALITY

- ▼ Online course
- ▼ Instructor-led

EM 260 TOPICS INCLUDE:

- ▼ Understand the need for geriatric-specific disaster planning
- ▼ Differentiate key physiological changes that occur with aging which can increase the vulnerability of older persons during disasters
- ▼ Identify the necessary equipment, personnel and infrastructure for geriatric disaster preparedness
- ▼ Describe the clinical manifestations of common geriatric conditions and how they may exacerbate or mimic CBRN conditions
- ▼ Correctly triage and appropriately treat geriatric victims of disaster incidents using internationally accepted criteria (START Triage)
- ▼ Discuss decontamination regulations and special considerations for the geriatric population
- ▼ Outline recommendations for appropriate geriatric disaster training and exercises

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