

**ARES**

Amateur Radio Emergency Services (Ham Radios)

**CAHAN**

CA Health Alert Network

**Cal EMA**

California Emergency Management Agency: Lead agency for coordinating emergency activities related to fire and rescue, management, search and rescue, law enforcement, and public information.

**CD**

Communicable Disease

**CDPH**

California Department of Public Health: A State agency that works closely with health care professionals, county governments and health plans to provide a health care safety net for California's low-income residents and persons with disabilities.

**CERC**

Crisis Emergency Risk Communication (Plan)

**COOP**

Continuity of Operations Plan

**CPCA**

California Primary Care Association

**DHCS**

Department of Healthcare Services

**DMAT**

Disaster Medical Assistance Team

**DOC**

Department Operations Center

**DHS**

U.S. Department of Homeland Security

**DHV**

Disaster Health Volunteers

**DOC**

Department Operations Center: An emergency operations center (EOC) specifically set up by a single department or agency such as Public Health.

**DSW**

Disaster Service Worker

**EM**

Emergency Management

**EMP**

Emergency Management Plan

**EMS**

Emergency Medical Services: Refers to the providers of pre-hospital 911 response and medical treatment.

**EMSA**

Emergency Medical Services Authority: Responsible for prompt delivery of disaster medical resources to local governments in support of their disaster medical response.

**EOC**

Emergency Operations Center: The physical location at which the coordination of information and resources to support incident management (on-scene operations) activities takes place.

**EOM**

California Public Health and Medical (EF8) Emergency Operations Manual, EOM. Provides guidance to local health departments (LHDs) on responding to disasters that require resources outside the response capability of the Operational Area (OA).

**EOP**

Emergency Operations Plan

**FEMA**

Federal Emergency Management Agency

**FTS**

Field Treatment Site (See FTS Plan)

- GMC**  
Glenn Medical Center
- HAvBED**  
Hospital Available Beds for Emergencies and Disasters
- HCC**  
Hospital Command Center: Site within the hospital or health care facility where overall emergency response and support activities are coordinated.
- HICS**  
Hospital Incident Command System
- HO**  
Health Officer
- HPP**  
Hospital Preparedness Program
- HSEEP**  
Homeland Security Exercise and Evaluation Program
- HVA**  
Hazard Vulnerability Assessment
- IAP**  
Incident Action Plan: An oral or written plan containing general objectives reflecting the overall strategy for managing an incident.
- IC**  
Incident Commander
- ICS**  
Incident Command System. A standardized on-scene emergency management specifically designed to provide for the adoption of an integrated organizational structure that reflects the complexity and demands of single or multiple incidents, without being hindered by jurisdictional boundaries.
- ITAM**  
Initial Threat Assessment Meeting
- JEOC**  
Joint Emergency Operations Center (CDPH/EMSA EOC)
- JERP**  
Joint Epidemiological Response Plan  
(10 County N-E CA Regional Epi Project)
- JIC**  
Joint Information Center
- JIS**  
Joint Information System; integrates incident information and public affairs into a cohesive organization designed to provide consistent, coordinated, accurate, accessible, timely, and complete information during crisis or incident operations.
- LEMSA**  
Local Emergency Medical Services Agency. The agency, department, or office having primary responsibility for administration of emergency medical services in a county.
- LHD**  
Local health department. The agency, department, or office having primary responsibility for administration of public health services in a county.
- LTCF**  
Long Term Care Facility
- MACS**  
Multiagency Coordination System
- MCI**  
Mass Casualty Incident. An incident resulting in a large number of persons with injuries or deaths.
- MHCC**  
Medical and Health Coordination Center
- MHOAC/P**  
Medical Health Operational Area Coordinator/Program. A functional designation within the Operational Area normally fulfilled by the county health officer and local EMS agency administrator (or designee), responsible for the development of a medical and health disaster plan and coordination of situational information and mutual aid during emergencies.

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**NIMS**

National Incident Management System. Provides a systematic, proactive approach guiding government agencies at all levels, the private sector, and non-government organizations to work seamlessly to prevent, protect against, respond to, recover from and mitigate the effects of incidents, regardless of cause, size, location, or complexity, in order to reduce the loss of life or property and harm to the environment.

**OA**

Operational Area. An intermediate level of the State's emergency organization, consisting of a county and all other political subdivisions within the geographical boundaries of the county.

**OA EOC**

Operational Area Emergency Operations Center (County EOC)

**OES**

Office of Emergency Services

**PH**

Public Health

**PHEP**

Public Health Emergency Preparedness program

**PHICS**

Public Health Incident Command System

**PIO**

Public Information Officer

**POC**

Point of contact

**POD**

Point of Dispensing. Used for rapid dispensing of life saving medications including antibiotics and vaccines.

**RDMHC/S**

Regional Disaster Medical Health Coordinator or Specialist. Regional contact for local PH & medical coordination.

**REOC**

Regional Emergency Operations Center. Provide centralized coordination of resources among Operational Areas (OAs) within their respective regions, and between the OA and the State government level.

**RIMS**

Response Information Management System

**SEMS**

Standardized Emergency Management System. A system required by California Government Code for managing response to multi-agency and multi-jurisdictional emergencies in California.

**SITREP**

Situation Report

**SNF**

Skilled Nursing Facility

**SNS**

Strategic National Stockpile (AKA Medical Countermeasures Program)

**SO**

Sheriff's Office

**SOC**

State Operations Center (State EOC)

**TTX**

Tabletop Exercise