







#### TEXAS RAPID RESPONSE TEAM

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### VIRTUAL COLLABORATIONS

# Rapid Response Team C2C Meeting



The National RRT C2C Meeting took place on December 1-3, 2020. The Annual Rapid Response Team Face-to-Face Meetina takes place every fall/winter, usuallv allowing for team members from Rapid Response Teams (RRTs) all over the country collaborate, to network, and share experiences in-person. However, with travel and meeting restrictions due to COVID, this year's meeting went from in-person to

virtual and was referred to as a C2C meeting. C2C has a double meaning, it is short for computer-to-computer reflecting the online aspect of the gathering, and sea-to-sea, emphasizing the national presence of RRTs.

The RRT C2C meeting featured presentations and breakout sessions on the topics of foodborne illness outbreak investigations, recalls, complaint systems, exercises, environmental assessments, emergency response, and networking activities. Posters and presentations will be made available on the Association of Food and Drug Officials (AFDO) website.

The Texas Rapid Response Team (TRRT) was represented by FDA Dallas District, Texas Department of Agriculture, the Office of the Texas State Chemist and Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS). Irina Cody

and Tishara Coleman of DSHS participated on a *Cyclospora Multi-State Outbreak* panel. The TRRT also submitted a poster entitled "The Revolution Will Not Be Re-Labeled?", which addressed the effects of social media on public health. For more information on these topics, please contact tishara.coleman@dshs.texas.gov.



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# Online Options for Sanitarian CEU's

With face-to-face training and meeting still extremely limited, there are several options for Sanitarians to gain continuing education credits (CEUs) virtually. For more information on continuing education credits for sanitarians, see the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation website.

### FEMA Training - National Incident Management System (NIMS)

Introductory Incident Command System courses (ICS)  $\underline{ICS-100}$ ,  $\underline{ICS-200}$ ,  $\underline{ICS-700}$ , and  $\underline{ICS-800}$  are available online. Intermediate ICS courses, ICS-300 and ICS-400, are increasingly being made available online by various organizations.

### FDA Regulatory Affairs' Office of Training Education and Development

FDA's Office of Regulatory Affairs' Office of Training Education and Development (OTED) provides free training to state, local, and tribal regulatory partners. OTED uses two Learning Management Systems (LMS) for its training programs: ComplianceWire LMS and the Pathlore LMS. Accounts for either LMS can be requested <a href="here">here</a>.

#### National Environmental Health Association

The National Environmental Health Association (NEHA) has CEU options in the form of e-learning, computer-based training, and virtual conferences. NEHA membership may be required. Click <a href="here">here</a> for more information.

# Virtual TRRT Meeting

The TRRT is gathering interest in hosting a TRRT meeting or webinar in Spring 2021. We would like to know what topics you'd like to hear more about. Please complete this <u>survey</u> for your input.

Also, is your agency planning any virtual meetings or conferences? Do you need a speaker or subject matter expert? The TRRT may be able to assist! Email us for more information.

