



**2026 North Carolina Public Health Preparedness Symposium
“Resilience, Recovery, and Strengthening Trust:
The Future of Public Health Preparedness”**

Draft Agenda

*All times and titles are tentative and subject to change until Symposium schedule is finalized. Sessions will include the following topics; Hurricane Recovery, Sheltering, New PC Assistance Sessions, Public Health Rumors, Preparedness Coordinators Panel, Crisis Communications, Effective Pandemic and Crisis Management, Strategic National Stockpile, Community Partnerships & Preparedness, and more!

PRECONFERENCE TRAINING DAY: May 6, 2026

12:00 pm-4:00 pm Preconference Trainings (tentative):

*Admittance to one preconference training option is included in symposium registration.

- Crisis Communications Training
- Artificial Intelligence in Public Health
- Storytelling for Influence and Inspiration

CONFERENCE DAY 1: May 7, 2026

7:30 am– 9:00 am Registration & Breakfast

8:00 am – 4:00 pm Exhibitors Open

8:15 am- 8:45 am Opening Ceremony & Welcome

8:45 am – 9:35 am Plenary Session 1

9:35 am- 10:00 am Break

10:00 am- 11:15 am Plenary Session 2

11:15 am- 12:00 am Partner Presentations

12:00 pm – 1:15 pm Lunch

1:30 pm- 2:45 pm Breakout Sessions: TBA

2:45 pm- 3:00 pm Break

3:00 pm- 4:00 pm Breakout Sessions: TBA

4:00 pm End of Day 1

CONFERENCE DAY 2: May 8, 2026

8:00 am Registration & Breakfast

8:00 am – 12:00 pm Exhibitors Open

8:30 am- 9:15 am Keynote Presentation

9:20 am- 11:20 am Breakout Sessions: TBA

11:25- 12:00 am Plenary Session 3

12:00 pm Wrap up & Closing Announcements



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