

FIRST RECEIVERS COMMUNITY OF PRACTICE

Over the past two years, with the support of the Public Health Agency of Canada, some of our colleagues in Nursing, Medicine and EMS have developed an on-line Community of Practice (COP) for those of us who may be faced with responding to a disaster. We are proud to announce the launch of First Receivers - a Community of Practice that is designed to match our needs.

First Receivers will provide you with news, a posting board, a forum for discussion groups, a calendar for events and a resource library with files and hyperlinks organized into folders covering the range of topics that are of professional interest to the community. It is a two-way street in that you can see what others are posting and you can post your own events, research, resources and discussion threads for others to see. The service is free.

Everything you see when you log in to First Receivers revolves around the Areas of Interest in your profile, thus it is important to keep your profile current. Areas of interest include:

- Triage,
- Guidelines and Best Practices,
- Training for First Receivers,
- Medical Students, Residents, and Fellowships,
- Exercise Planning,
- Tactical Medicine,
- Emerging Infections,
- Mass Casualty Disasters,
- Nursing,
- Mass Gathering,
- Emergency Medical Services,
- Federal and Provincial Agencies,
- Psychosocial,
- Family/Rural Physician,
- Public Health,
- International Humanitarian Disaster Relief,
- CBRNE and Contamination,
- Disaster Research and
- Hospital Emergency Managers.

Check off those that interest you when updating your profile and presto! You are in the loop with your colleagues of similar interest. No longer interested? Update your profile to remove a topic.

You can access the First Receivers Community of Practice (COP) at FirstReceivers.ca. We hope it will be of service to you.

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