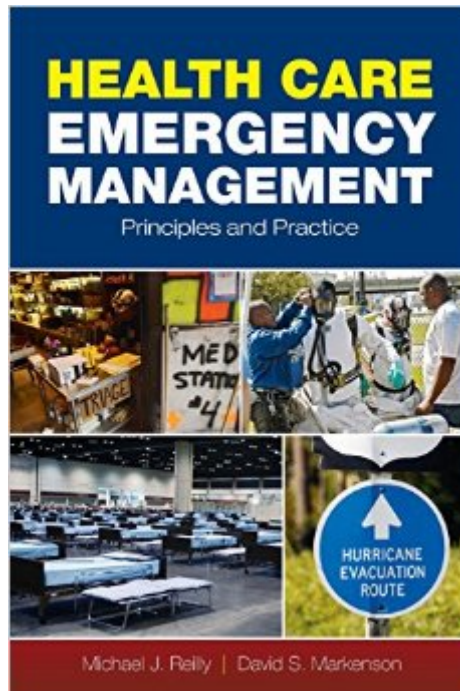


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# Health Care Emergency Management: Principles And Practice



## Synopsis

Recent research underscores a serious lack of preparedness among hospitals nationwide and a dearth of credible educational programs and resources on hospital emergency preparedness. As the only resource of its kind, *Health Care Emergency Management: Principles and Practice* specifically addresses hospital and health system preparedness in the face of a large scale disaster or other emergency. Administrators, emergency preparedness coordinators, and clinical staff who are charged with managing preparedness and emergency management functions for hospitals or healthcare systems will turn to this guide as an essential reference in planning for disasters, terrorism, and public health emergencies. *Health Care Emergency Management* is also ideal for emergency preparedness courses in programs of health administration or public health. Through case studies and practical examples, this book engages the reader in active learning about this exciting, challenging, and rewarding field. Key Features:

- Chapters are contributed by leading authorities on the topic of disaster planning.
- The only text that focuses on disaster planning for hospitals and health systems.
- Each chapter offers concrete objectives for focused learning as well case studies and practical examples that help the reader understand key concepts
- Downloadable resources including PowerPoints and a TestBank are available for qualified instructors. Courses can be found through the FEMA Emergency Management Institute College list page: <http://training.fema.gov/EMIWeb/edu/collegelist/>

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Every year finds news stories of hospital deficiencies with respect to their emergency services, especially when tested by an unexpected disaster event. That's why "Health Care Emergency Management: Principles and Practice", the collaborative editorial work of Michael J. Reilly and David S. Markenson, is a welcome and comprehensive instructional text for hospital and emergency services administrators and staff members. This superbly organized and presented, 512-page compendium covers all aspects of emergency care management and disaster planning with chapters written by leading and seasoned experts. Utilizing case studies and 'real world' scenarios, "Health Care Emergency Management" provides an informed and informative text that is embellished with practical examples. There are even downloadable resources (including PowerPoints and a TestBank) for emergency management course instructors, making "Health Care Emergency Management" an ideal and 'user friendly' textbook, as well as being very highly recommended for both personal study and academic reference libraries.

This book is dry and spews the same information over and over again. There are many topics that could have been gone into more deeply and explained better and there were others that were overkilled. Overall, this was a boring read, even though the study of emergency management is vast and exciting (at least in my opinion), this book did not do it justice.

I've personally owned a copy of this book for a few years now. It indeed was the first comprehensive attempt at packaging the emerging specialized practice of hospital and healthcare system emergency management, and the contributing authors are certainly accomplished in this realm outside the book. I have and would continue to recommend this text to others seeking to both practice and grow in this evolving subspecialty, but be mindful that this piece is comprehensive to the degree that it may at first be an intimidating read for those just starting-out - its content does address the fundamentals well, but it does more to inform, validate, and help tune an existing practice, than to provide a simple roadmap for one just getting started. This work is a great addition to any personal or professional health emergency management practice library. Published in 2010, the edition is now becoming a touch dated, but its core concepts remain relevant. Given recent experiences with highly infectious disease, an uptick mass casualty shooting incidents, and more, I am hopeful the authors will consider pressing themselves to a new edition in the near future.

The book is very solid with good information in an easy to read and understand way. The book provides a wide view of hospital and health system concepts to bring to light many areas that may

not be considered in emergency planning. Great for public health professionals as well as emergency management professionals.

Rather verbose, even for a textbook. It teaches the basic theories of hospital emergency planning but it doesn't really cover specific ideas or include sample plans.

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