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Weekly Situational Awareness Brief

Awareness Topics

Media Consumption and Mass Violence–Related Distress in Communities Affected by Mass Violence

“Mass violence incidents (MVIs) occur at alarming rates in the US. MVIs have immense impact on direct survivors and broader communities; less is known about worry or avoidance behaviors related to concerns about future MVIs.”

FBI stages fake hospital to prepare for ransomware attacks

“The FBI opened a 22,000-square-foot simulated town on its Redstone Arsenal campus in Huntsville, Ala., that includes a fully wired mock hospital agents use to train for ransomware response and other cyber investigations.”

The groundbreaking new research revealing what drives loneliness – and what actually helps

“Human disconnection has turned out to be far more complex – and far more treatable – than anyone expected.”

Summary of FY27 House LHHS Appropriations Bill: June 2026

“Public health stakeholders should closely monitor upcoming committee markups and Senate action for indications of congressional support for foundational public health programs, emergency preparedness activities, workforce investments, and state and territorial health agency priorities.”

Support for the wellbeing of frontline healthcare workers should be incorporated in health emergency preparedness planning

“Health system resilience requires a resilient and well workforce. During health crises, including pandemics and outbreaks of pathogens, frontline healthcare workers can face significant challenges, resulting in personal psychosocial costs for staff members, and organizational consequences for the health systems they work within. Here, we highlight that there is an urgent need to proactively incorporate organizational measures to protect and promote the wellbeing of frontline healthcare staff across all stages of response to health crises. Importantly, this not only involves specific emergency preparedness and planning efforts, but also supporting organizational-level everyday practices that foster staff wellbeing and health system resilience outside of crises.”

Upcoming MESH Educational Offerings

2026 MESH Grand Rounds Series Q3 **Surge: Managing Multi-Patient Incidents** **with Chief Christopher Chiara**

This presentation will:

- Identify the challenges of multi-patient incidents and introduce best practices to address those challenges.
- Highlight the importance of a common operating perspective in incidents that require inter-agency coordination.
- Demonstrate training initiatives that lead to success in low-frequency, high-acuity.

August 18, 2026 | 1-2 PM EST | Live, via Zoom | No Charge

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Upcoming MESH Conference Presentations

IHEPS 2026

Dr. James M. Floyd, Jr. | Keynote Session | Setting Down What Isn't Yours: An Overview of Vicarious Trauma

September 3, 2026 | Renaissance Indianapolis North Hotel

NHCPC 2026

Dr. James M. Floyd, Jr. | Psychological PPE

December 1-3, 2026 | Gaylord National Resort & Convention Center

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