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## Weekly Situational Awareness Brief

### Awareness Topics

#### **“First VPN Service” Used by Ransomware Actors to Compromise Systems**

“The Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) is releasing this FLASH to disseminate indicators of compromise (IOCs) and identified tactics, techniques, and procedures (TTPs) associated with the First VPN Service.”

#### **‘Silent’ ransomware group poses as IT workers, targeting healthcare**

“The Silent Ransom Group has been posing as IT employees to gain access to organizations’ devices and networks, targeting industries including healthcare, the FBI warned.”

#### **Are there proven treatments for Ebola?**

“Scientists have developed treatments that improve survival for Ebola virus disease caused by Zaire ebolavirus, especially when patients receive care early. But treatments that work for one species of Ebola virus may not work against all Ebola viruses.”

## **Summer Meals Site Finder**

“USDA works closely with states to ensure that children who receive free or reduced-price school meals can get the nutrition they need when schools are closed for summer break. Through USDA's summer meal programs, approved sites in communities across the country serve meals and snacks to kids 18 and younger at no cost.”

## **Medication Management Among Older Adults Living Alone With Cognitive Impairment**

“More than one-fourth of older individuals in the US with cognitive impairment live alone. These individuals often lack support for medication management and face a high risk of medication-related harm.”

## **Infection Prevention in Cooling Centers During Extreme Heat**

“Cooling centers, the gold standard for heat relief efforts, are increasingly serving the populations most vulnerable to extreme heat and at risk of infections from diseases such as Shigella, seasonal influenza or other respiratory viruses.”

## **CDC Statement on the Use of Public Health Travel Restrictions to Prevent the Introduction of Ebola Disease into the United States**

“On May 18, 2026, CDC, DHS, and other appropriate federal agencies announced enhanced travel screening, entry restrictions, and public health measures to prevent Ebola disease from entering the United States amid ongoing outbreaks in East and Central Africa.”

## **Keeping Medical Devices Powered When It Matters Most**

“After a power outage or other emergency, individual backup power systems can improve a community's level of resilience and support a more successful recovery. Of durable medical equipment users in one survey, only 25% are reported to have an alternative power supply (for equipment such as power wheelchairs, nebulizers, CPAP machines, oxygen concentrators).”

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# **Upcoming MESH Educational Offerings**

## **Emergency Preparedness & Resilience Coach**

**It doesn't take a hurricane to disrupt a life.** When resources are already limited, even small disruptions can have big consequences. This course helps you understand where

real needs begin—with everyday vulnerabilities—and how to meet them through simple, powerful steps. **This isn't just disaster training. It's people training—practical, human-centered, & real.**

**Only 5 seats available in the June 2026 Cohort** | 4-week program | One 3-hour session per week | Virtual via Zoom | Free, Grant Funded

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**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

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### **NHCPC 2026**

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

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



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