

# West CMS QIN-QIO Region 7\* Emergency Preparedness Webinar

## Arizona, California, Hawaii, Nevada, and the U.S. Pacific Territories

### *From Crisis to Readiness: Hospital and Nursing Home Insights From the Maui, Palisades, and Eaton Wildfires*



#### Why Attend?

In 2023 and 2025, the Maui, Palisades, and Eaton fires forced urgent evacuations that tested emergency preparedness plans across the healthcare system and challenged hospitals, nursing homes, public health agencies, and emergency responders. This webinar brings together firsthand insights on what worked, where challenges emerged, and how lessons learned can strengthen emergency preparedness across all provider types.

#### Objectives

- Identify what nursing and healthcare staff did well and where gaps occurred during wildfire responses.
- Examine ways to strengthen staff-level emergency preparedness using facility and coalition best practices.
- Discover how to improve patient safety by applying staff-focused lessons from recent emergencies.

#### Who Should Attend?

- Hospital, nursing home, clinic, and other healthcare providers
- Health departments, emergency preparedness partners, and stakeholders

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**Friday, May 15, 2026**

#### Time:

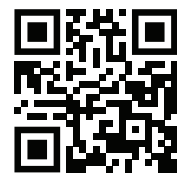
- 1–2 p.m. Pacific/Arizona
- 10–11 a.m. Hawaii

#### Presenters:

- Hilton Raethel, MPH, MHA; President & CEO, Healthcare Association of Hawaii
- Jason Belden; Director, Emergency Preparedness & Physical Plant Services, California Association of Health Facilities
- Jennifer Waldron, MBA-HCM, BSN, RN; Disaster Coordinator, Huntington Health, Pasadena, California

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