PIO Trainings

If you are new to your role or haven't yet taken the FEMA Basic or Advanced PIO courses, EOM Comms and HSEMA recommend that you take the following actions to work through online, self-paced courses to get oriented to your role as a PIO and to prepare for the possibility of supporting the Joint Information Center (JIC) during special events and emergencies. This will also help you immediately enroll in the Basic and Advanced PIO courses when they become available:

1. Register for HSEMA Academy, the District's Learning Management System (LMS).
2. Register for a FEMA Student ID (SID)
3. Begin taking the prerequisites needed for FEMA's PIO courses:
    o IS-29 Public Information Officer Awareness *(requirement for Public Info. Basics)*
    o 0105 – Public Information Basics *(replaced the previous G290/291 courses)*
        ▪ **Registration is now open for the Sept 9-11, 2024 Course**
    o IS-42 Social Media in Emergency Management *(requirement for Advanced PIO)*
    o IS-100 Introduction to Incident Command System (ICS) *(requirement for Adv. PIO)*
    o IS-200 Basic Incident Command System for Initial Response *(requirement for APIO)*
    o IS-201 Forms Used for the Development of the Incident Action Plan *(requirement for Advanced PIO)*
    o IS-247 Integrated Public Alert and Warning System OR IS-251 Integrated Public Alert and Warning System for Alerting Authorities *(requirement for Advanced PIO)*
    o IS-700 National Incident Management System *(requirement for Advanced PIO)*
    o IS-800 National Response Framework *(requirement for Advanced PIO)*

If you have questions about PIO Trainings, please contact the HSEMA External Affairs Team. Contact information can be found on the Agency Communications Contact List page.