

# FEMA Releases PrepTalk: ‘Saving Lives After a Nuclear Detonation’

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WASHINGTON – FEMA and its emergency management partner organizations today posted online Brooke Buddemeier’s PrepTalk “[Saving Lives After a Nuclear Detonation](#),” the fifth PrepTalk release from the Sept. 6, 2018 symposium.

“The most important life-saving decisions are those made in the first few minutes and hours of an event, and those decisions are not going to be coming from Washington, D.C.,” Buddemeier said. “State and local communities need to be prepared to make them.”

In his PrepTalk, Buddemeier shares the importance of sheltering after a nuclear detonation and provides emergency managers with tools to help citizens, responders, and city officials get ready.

Buddemeier is a certified health physicist in the Global Security Directorate of Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory, providing technical leadership to deliver supporting science for radiological and nuclear terrorism risk assessments and response planning.

His PrepTalk, a discussion guide, and additional resources are available on FEMA’s website at [www.fema.gov/preptalks/buddemeier](http://www.fema.gov/preptalks/buddemeier). Additional PrepTalks from the September 2018 symposium held in Washington, D.C. will be released in the coming months.

PrepTalks are a partnership between FEMA, the International Association of Emergency Managers, the National Emergency Management Association, the National Homeland Security Consortium, and the Naval Postgraduate School Center for Homeland Defense and Security.

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