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# Fact Sheet

## Determined Accord Workshop

*Determined Accord* is a multi-agency pandemic workshop designed to increase Federal and Non-Federal governmental jurisdiction continuity readiness for a pandemic event, mitigate vulnerabilities during a pandemic outbreak and identify pandemic planning gaps or weaknesses in organization continuity plans, policies and procedures.

The *Determined Accord* Workshop is a part of the National Continuity Programs (NCP) strategy to meet Presidential-directed requirements outlined in the National Strategy for Pandemic Influenza Implementation Plan. *Determined Accord* was developed in coordination with the White House Homeland Security Council, Department of Health and Human Services, U.S. Department of Agriculture, General Services Administration, and other Federal entities.

### Determined Accord Workshop Objectives

- Increase Federal, state, territorial, tribal, and local government agency awareness of the need to incorporate pandemic considerations and procedures into continuity planning;
- Identify the special considerations needed to protect the health and safety of employees using community mitigation measures during a pandemic outbreak, while also maintaining essential government functions and services;
- Discuss continuity telework plans and procedures during a pandemic and identify best practices as well as areas requiring improvement;
- Review the essential elements of a viable continuity capability as well as how they correspond to continuity influenza pandemic planning; and
- Identify solutions or alternative actions to challenges, gaps or continuity weaknesses during a pandemic event.

### Workshop Focus

Workshop discussions allow participants to address continuity planning and program issues with others in the continuity community, which helps improve organizational and interagency lines of communication. Interested organizations can contact FEMA NCP at [FEMA-NCP-Federal-Continuity@FEMA.DHS.GOV](mailto:FEMA-NCP-Federal-Continuity@FEMA.DHS.GOV) to schedule a workshop.

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