The Emergency Services Sector-Specific Tabletop Exercise Program is a tool allowing critical infrastructure partners to develop interactive, discussion-based exercises for their communities of interest, be it at the sector or facility level. The Program affords the opportunity for public and private critical infrastructure stakeholders and their public safety partners to exercise information sharing processes and incident management plans, programs, policies, and procedures in order to address potential gaps, vulnerabilities, and other pertinent issues.

Scope
The Program allows users to leverage pre-built exercise templates and tailor them to their communities’ specific needs in order to assess, develop, and update plans, programs, policies and procedures within an incident management functional area.

- Sector-Specific Tabletop Exercises have been utilized by several U.S. critical infrastructure sectors, including the Dams Sector, the Chemical Sector, and several versions for the Commercial Facilities Sector.
- The Program materials provide a model exercise and support documentation that can be refined and further developed to exercise and evaluate specific areas of concern for critical infrastructure owners and operators.
- The Program is a flexible tool that is most beneficial when personalized and developed by the primary user with considerations to the specific nuances of the specified community.
- It is used to develop a culture of improved information sharing capabilities within and between public and private sectors at the facility, community, or sector level.
- It promotes partnership development through the collaboration of sector-specific experts and the use of integrated resources.
- It enables the development of after-action reports that support mitigating risks and increasing the resiliency of critical infrastructure.

Emergency Services Sector-Specific Tabletop Exercise Program Contents
The Program provides templates and materials that can be refined and detailed to meet the specific needs of any critical infrastructure community. The draft materials provided include a Welcome Letter, Invitation Letter, Exercise Planner Instructions, Facilitator and Evaluator Handbook, Situation Manual, Presentation Slides, Reference Material, Participant Feedback Form, and Exercise Planner Feedback Form.
Emergency Services Sector-Specific Tabletop Exercise Program Exercises Available on HSIN

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