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TITLE **CMS EP Compliance - All-Hazards Planning, Response & Recovery**

ABSTRACT *Synopsis: Following a brief overview of CMS' Emergency Preparedness Rule and providing the current and future status of survey compliance and trends, attendees will have ample time to ask questions regarding the Rule. A healthcare coalition representative will share insights into the functioning of a coalition, benefits of getting involved with a coalition, and will assist in answering questions posed by attendees.*

Learning Objectives:

- 1. Identify the four main components of an Emergency Preparedness Program and how specific requirements vary per provider type.*
- 2. Explain current and future survey expectations for compliance.*
- 3. Identify best practices and lessons learned by a district healthcare coalition.*
- 4. Access tools and resources available for developing and implementing an Emergency Preparedness Program.*

Ron graduated from Indiana University with a Bachelor of Science in Medical Technology in 1994. Right after graduation he went to work for Riverview Health in Noblesville as a medical technologist. In 2009 he became the coordinator for the Microbiology department and has been in that position ever since. He has been with Riverview for 24 years. Ron has also served as the laboratory safety officer since 2003. In addition to his roles in the laboratory, Ron oversees all emergency management activities for the hospital. He is the current chair for the Hamilton County Local Emergency Planning Council, is on the roster for the ESF-8 position for the Hamilton County Emergency Management Agency, and the chair for the Indiana District 5 Healthcare Coalition.

Ron is a veteran of the United States Army Reserve, and was deployed for Operation Desert Shield/Storm as part of a 10-man detachment at Fort McClellan, Alabama where the detachment operated both a mobile and fixed blood donation and processing center.