

DISASTER AND HAZARD READINESS IN ACTION

The 2021 Military Family Readiness Academy series *Disaster and Hazard Readiness in Action* will focus on the skills, contexts, and situations military family service providers may draw from and navigate as they manage disasters and emergencies within their professional fields.

A continuation from the 2020 Academy series *Disaster and Hazard Readiness Foundations*, this year's series builds on the basic concepts of disaster and hazard management, including impacts and responses, planning, collaboration, and mitigation.

Participants can choose from a range of sessions that will prepare providers to support the readiness and wellbeing of military families during disasters and hazards in areas such as caregiving, children and family needs, nutrition, and finances. Sessions will offer guidance on how to work effectively with families during disasters and hazards, and many will draw from recent and ongoing situations providers are facing during the COVID-19 pandemic. Dialogue will be a central component of this series—lessons learned, resources, and insights will be shared across panelists and speakers, and participants are encouraged to contribute as much as possible.

[Series Homepage](#)

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Asset-Based Community Recovery Workshops

Contribute your voice, experiences, and lessons learned to this workshop! Engage in practicing connection and collaboration while creating a shared resource we can all use in our work with families and address the challenges we face from multiple perspectives.

Through this workshop you can discover the assets and capacities of your community to make our military families more resilient and aid in their recovery after a disaster.

[Register for a Workshop!](#)



FEBRUARY 10, 2021

Financial Preparedness Is Disaster Preparedness

Discuss specific actions that individuals and families can take to become financially prepared for any emergency or disaster situation.

FEBRUARY 17, 2021

Going Beyond the Checklist in Emergency Preparedness – Taking Action

Through this interactive session gain the knowledge and understanding, especially regarding disability, needed to encourage families to take action now, before disaster strikes.

FEBRUARY 24, 2021

Food and Nutrition Before, During and After Disasters

Our partners from the Defense Commissary Agency share what they do to keep our food safe and what you should be shopping for before disasters hit. Extension faculty from the University of Florida also share first-hand accounts of helping during and after a disaster.

MARCH 3, 2021

Preparing for Disasters During a Pandemic

This session helps prepare service providers to offer the support required when multiple hazards and disasters are experienced simultaneously.

MARCH 10, 2021

Supporting Parents and Children Through Hazards and Disasters

This session will provide practical tips and strategies for clinicians and service providers helping parents navigate challenges of the COVID-19 pandemic considering socio-emotional development and resilience of children.

MARCH 17, 2021

Families in Disaster Recovery: Coordinating Support at the Installation Level

This interactive panel presentation provides a general overview of Red Cross services as they relate to individuals, families, and communities in hazard and disaster readiness and action.

MARCH 24, 2021

Surviving the 2020 Pandemic: Lessons Learned on How to Best Support Our EI/ECSE Communities

In this panel discussion three Early Intervention (EI) and Early Childhood Special Education (ECSE) experts discuss what the COVID-19 pandemic has taught them as EI/ECSE leaders and how those lessons can inform preparations for future disasters or hazards.

MARCH 31, 2021

Connecting with Communities in Asset-Based Disaster Recovery

In this session, we'll share the community interconnections and assets that have emerged from the workshops and provide resources for forging the community connections that will help us aid in disaster response and recovery for military families in the future.

Register Today!



**MILITARY FAMILY READINESS
ACADEMY**

The Academy is an annual live programming series with special learning and engagement opportunities suitable for individuals, groups, and organizations. With a new series added each year, the Academy takes a multidisciplinary approach to a complex issue faced by military family service



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