Federal Resources for Behavioral Health, Climate Change, and Resilience

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General Disaster Behavioral Health Resources

Disaster Distress Helpline

SAMHSA's Disaster Distress Helpline provides crisis counseling and support to people experiencing emotional distress related to natural or human-caused disasters.

Available at http://www.samhsa.gov/find-help/disaster-distress-helpline

The SAMHSA Disaster Behavioral Health App

The app contains a comprehensive library of resources on disaster behavioral health for all types of incidents for iphone, Android, or Blackberry. Available at http://store.samhsa.gov/apps/disaster

The SAMHSA Disaster Behavioral Health Information Series (DBHIS)

The site contains resource collections and toolkits pertinent to disaster behavioral health.

Available at http://www.samhsa.gov/dtac/dbhis-collections

Psychological First Aid Training and Resources

Psychological First Aid Online

PFA online is a federally funded resource that includes a 6-hour interactive course that puts the participant in the role of a provider in a post-disaster scene. Available at http://learn.nctsn.org/course/category.php?id=11

PFA Mobile

PFA Mobile is a smartphone application that provides summaries of PFA fundamentals, PFA interventions matched to specific concerns and needs of survivors, mentor tips for applying PFA in the field, a self-assessment tool for readiness to conduct PFA, and a survivors' needs form for simplified data collection and easy referral. Available at http://www.nctsn.org/content/pfa-mobile

Building Workforce Resilience through the Practice of Psychological First Aid – A Course for Supervisors and Leaders

This free, 90-minute interactive and effective on-line training helps leaders at any level understand and address their staff's stress risks and reactions and create a resilient workplace. Available at https://live.blueskybroadcast.com/bsb/client/CL_DEFAULT.asp?Client=354947&PCAT=7365&CAT=9399

Organizational Main Web Sites (Behavioral Health & Disaster)

The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA): Main Web Page

The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration's (SAMHSA) mission is to reduce the impact of substance abuse and mental illness on America's communities. Available at http://www.samhsa.gov/

National Child Traumatic Stress Network (NCTSN): Main Web Page

The mission of SAMHSA's NCTSN is to raise the standard of care and improve access to services for traumatized children, their families and communities throughout the United States

Available at http://www.nctsn.org/

HHS Office of the Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response (ASPR)

- Division for At-Risk Individuals, Behavioral Health, & Community Resilience (ABC) http://www.phe.gov/Preparedness/planning/abc/Pages/default.aspx
- Medical Reserve Corps https://mrc.hhs.gov/HomePage

Climate Change/Resilience Resources

United States Global Change Research Program (USGCRP) Climate & Health Assessment

The report strengthens our understanding of the growing risks that a changing climate poses to human health and welfare, and highlights factors that make some individuals and communities particularly vulnerable.

Available at http://www.globalchange.gov/health-assessment

The U.S. Climate Resilience Toolkit -Health Topic

The Human Health section of the Toolkit allows users to access data, information, and decision tools describing and analyzing climate change impacts on public health.

Available at https://toolkit.climate.gov/topics/human-health

CDC's Building Resilience Against Climate Effects (BRACE) Framework

The BRACE framework is a five-step process that allows health officials to develop strategies and programs to help communities prepare for the health effects of climate change.

Available at http://www.cdc.gov/climateandhealth/brace.htm

Climate Change and Children's Health Policy Roundup

The webpage provides policies and activities related to the impacts of climate change on children's health. Available at http://www.hhs.gov/climate/childrenshealth/index.html

US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Climate Impacts on Human Health

Climate change impacts many different sectors. This site provides information about the climate impacts on human health.

Available at impacts https://www.epa.gov/climate-impacts/climate-impacts-human-health

Community Health Resilience Initiative

Communities can use this site to maintain or improve their health resilience during steady-state conditions. It can also help them enhance preparedness for man-made or environmental disasters.

Available at https://toolkit.climate.gov/tool/community-health-resilience-guide-and-toolset

Grants

SAMHSA

SAMHSA makes grant funds available through the Center for Substance Abuse Prevention, the Center for Substance Abuse Treatment, and the Center for Mental Health Services.

Available at http://www.samhsa.gov/grants

National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences (NIEHS)

Information on the types of grants funded by the NIEHS, guidelines, application instructions, and contact information is available at https://www.niehs.nih.gov/funding/grants/

National Institute of Mental Health (NIMH)

Information on the types of grants funded by the NIMH is available at https://www.nimh.nih.gov/funding/grant-writing-and-application-process/research-grants-r.shtml.