

# North Central Florida Local Emergency Planning Committee:

## Emergency Planning and Community Right-To-Know Act



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## Counties:

Alachua, Bradford,  
Columbia, Dixie,  
Gilchrist, Hamilton,  
Lafayette, Levy,  
Madison, Suwannee,  
Taylor and Union  
Counties



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# Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act

- EPCRA became law in 1986 after Bhopal, India
- State Emergency Response Commission (SERC) to oversee planning for hazmat emergencies
- Florida Division of Emergency Management provides State support



# What is an LEPC?

- Has the job of protecting the community from chemical spills
- Broad-based membership
- Emergency Plan
- Common Sense
- Staffed by Florida's Ten Regional Planning Councils



# LEPC Programs

- Providing access to chemical inventories to first responders and the public
- Hazmat exercises
- Emergency plans
- First Responder Training



# Mission Statement

- The North Central Florida Local Emergency Planning Committee has the responsibility to increase chemical emergency preparedness in our communities. This is accomplished through planning, increasing response capability and accident prevention.

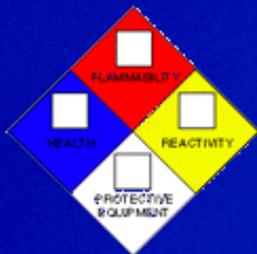
# Mission Statement

Our tools include:

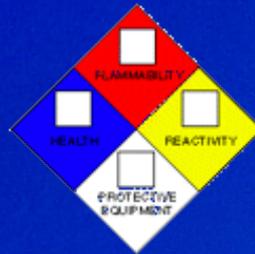
- planning,
- training,
- reviewing,
- exercising,
- offering How-to-Comply assistance,
- and educating the public.

# Annual Chemical Inventory Reporting (Section 312)

- Tier II chemical inventory forms
- Florida has electronic submission for reporting facilities and electronic access for emergency responders (ErPlan.net)

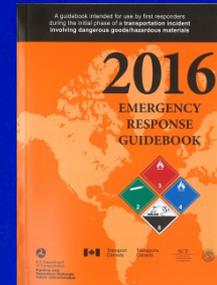


Material  
**Safety**  
**Data**  
**Sheets**



# How Your LEPC Can Help You?

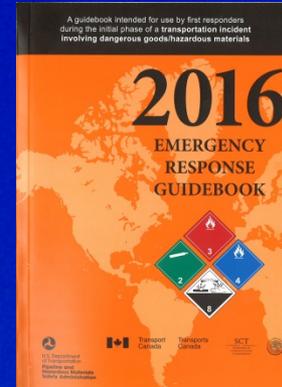
- Hazmat Training
- Hazmat Exercises
- Compliance Assistance
- Emergency Planning
- Public Education
- Distribution Point for Emergency Response Guidebooks



# LEPC Help

## - First Responder Training

- 29 CFR 1910.120(q) - Emergency Response Levels
  - Awareness - Discovery (4-8 hr)
  - Operations - Defensive (24 hr)
  - Technician - Offensive (160 hr)
  - Incident Commander (24+ hr)

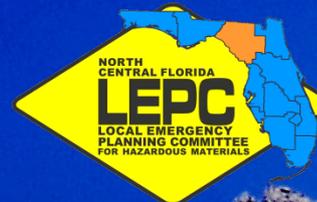


# LEPC Assistance - Hazmat Exercises

- Homeland Security Exercise and Evaluation Program (HSEEP) Based Exercises:
- Table Top
- Functional
- Full-Scale



# Hands On Training



# Responders Need Access to Information

- Tier 2 Chemical Inventories and Contacts for EPCRA Section 312 Sites
- Hazards Analysis for EPCRA Section 302 Sites with Extremely Hazardous Substances in Amounts Greater than the Threshold Planning Quantity

# LEPC Assistance

## - Compliance Assistance For Facilities

- Facility Must Report Some Spills to State Watch Office Within 15 Minutes
  - most common violation
- Tier 2 Reports and Annual Registration
- Annual Coordination Meeting and Training



# State Level Coordination Quarterly Meetings

- Training Task Force
- LEPC Staff and Chairs
- State Emergency Response Commission



# How Your LEPC Can Help You

- Hazmat Response Training for First Responders
- Hazmat Exercises
- Compliance Assistance
- Emergency Planning
- Public Education
- No Charge – already paid for by hazmat users



# LEPC Officers

- LEPC Chair: Shayne Morgan, FPEM, Columbia County Emergency Management
- LEPC Vice-Chair, Public Information: David Peaton, FPEM, Levy County Emergency Management
- LEPC Vice-Chair, First Responders: Bruce Jordan, Fire Chief, City of Madison

Any Questions?

Thank You

