Healthcare facilities may experience power interruptions from many situations; storms, accidents, seasonal power surges……. Outages cause a multitude of continuity of service issues for healthcare facilities, many times while dealing with a surge in patients needing emergency care. Interruption in essential services such as communications, IT, HVAC, water pressure, sterilization capability and diagnostic capability are common issues during a power interruption. Other issues may include loss of elevators, transportation, refrigeration and cooking ability in the cafeterias. External community based issues such as respiratory or dialysis due to home medical device failure can impact healthcare facilities when they are most vulnerable. Hospital Emergency Managers and Facility Directors need to ensure there are operational plans to handle power interruptions.

This program provides best practices and real life experience from subject matter experts to plan for and mitigate the impact of a power interruption. Additionally, it provides information on resources to help develop and implement preparedness strategy and establish better relationships with community utility partners.

Learner Objectives

Upon completion of the program, the participant will be able to:

- Identify key elements of planning for continuity of service during a power interruption.
- Identify resources to assist healthcare facilities during an emergency power interruption.
- Identify best practices for mitigating the effects of a power outage on essential patient care services.
- Coordinate with local utility providers to identify facility needs during a power outage.
**PRESENTERS**

**Rod Allen**  
System Director of Plant Operations  
Lee Memorial Health System

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**Additional Resources:**

**Florida Department of Health, Bureau of Preparedness & Response – Training and Exercise Planning**

Florida Department of Health Hospital and Healthcare System Preparedness Overview Hospital Contracts
http://www.doh.state.fl.us/demo/BPR/hospitalcontract.htm

**Homeland Security Exercise and Evaluation Program (HSEEP)**

**The Joint Commission Hospital Accreditation Standards 2011**
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