

# Disaster Health Information Coordinators

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## Purpose

The Greater Midwest Region (GMR) provides assistance to our members in preparing for, and responding to, disasters or localized emergencies. GMR staff members are available to assist with emergency preparedness and response activities. The Disaster Health Information Coordinators represent each state in the Region and serve as a local resource and liaison to GMR staff.

## Goals

- Create and maintain a web-based collection of disaster preparedness and response resources.
- Provide opportunities for disaster preparedness training.
- Assist in connecting organizations with risk assessment resources.
- Assist in connecting organizations with disaster planning resources.
- Facilitate connections with local disaster preparedness and response agencies.

## Membership

- One librarian from each state in the GMR region (North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, Michigan, Iowa, Wisconsin, Illinois, Indiana, Ohio and Kentucky) will serve on the focus group
- Term of service begins May 1st and ends April 30<sup>th</sup>, corresponding to the grant year.
- Term limits will be one year with the option of renewal.

## Meetings

- Meetings will be held via web conferencing software, a minimum of 4 times each year, lasting approximately one hour each.
- One face-to-face meeting will be scheduled annually at the Midwest Chapter Medical Library Association meeting, for which participation is optional.
- Meetings are open to any NNLM members who wish to attend; guests may request access to the meeting through the GMR office.