

The Importance of Drills and Exercises to National Emergency Telecommunications Planning

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Training and Exercises: Vital to Preparedness

- Exercises simulating varied threats
 - Attacks: Physical and Cyber
 - Natural Disasters
 - Industrial accidents, equipment failures

- Exercises should engage multiple levels
 - Internal-only
 - With sector partners
 - Within integrated response community



Hurricane Ida

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Nashville Bombing

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Communications Partnership: Vital to Preparedness



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Communications ISAC

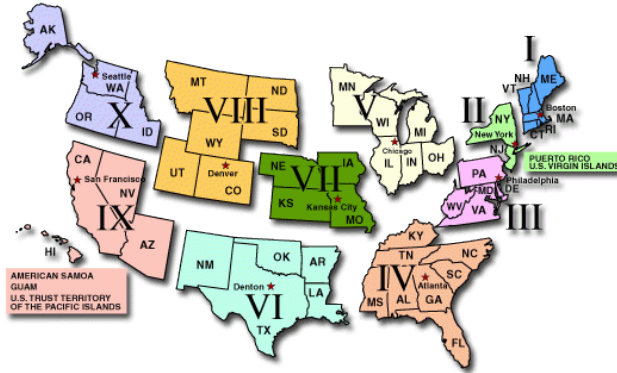
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But not just partnership within the communications sector...

Community Lifelines



Region,
State,
Locality



International
Partners



Thank you for the chance to talk to you all today!

There's much more to discuss across the exercise continuum



Exercise Cycle
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