News Release

NCDMPH to Co-Sponsor and Present at Education and Training Needs Workshop

Rockville, MD – The National Center for Disaster Medicine and Public Health (NCDMPH) will co-sponsor the Education and Training Needs for Disaster Medicine and Public Health Workshop, May 5-6, 2010 at the Hilton Washington DC North/Gaithersburg in Gaithersburg, MD.

The workshop, being held in coordination with the Yale New Haven Health Center for Emergency Preparedness and Disaster Response, will bring together federal and non-federal stakeholders for discussion of key issues, information sharing, and networking related to disaster medicine and public health education and training.

The NCDMPH’s acting director, Dr. Kenneth Schor, will present an overview of the NCDMPH as part of a federal activities brief during Wednesday’s session. Dr. Schor will be preceded by a presentation from Captain D.W. Chen of the Federal Education and Training Interagency Group (FETIG), the National Center's advisory group, and followed by Dr. Andrea Young of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and FETIG.

Representatives from state and local government, associations, academia, and the private sector involved in the development of competencies and professional and accredited academic organizations are encouraged to attend the conference, which is available at no cost.

The workshop will include a discussion of the latest updates on federal activities and integration strategies for federal and private sector training. Conference participants also will be asked to help develop recommendations for future collaboration.

Additional information is available at: http://ncdmph.usuhs.edu/NewsEvents.

About NCDMPH:
Created by Presidential Directive HSPD-21 in 2008, the NCDMPH has been charged with “leading Federal efforts to develop and propagate core curricula, training, and research related to medicine and public health in disaster” by serving the U.S. government as an academic home for the development and dissemination of this information. The NCDMPH is supported by the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences, or USU, the nation’s only federal health sciences university.

For more information, visit: http://ncdmph.usuhs.edu.

The USU educates health care professionals dedicated to career service in the Department of Defense and the U.S. Public Health Service. The university provides military and public health-relevant education, research, service, and consultation to the nation and the world, pursuing excellence and innovation during times of peace and war. Many graduates are supporting operations in Iraq, Afghanistan and elsewhere, offering their leadership and expertise. Approximately 25 percent of all active-duty military medical officers are USU graduates.