



STATE OF CONNECTICUT  
DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY SERVICES & PUBLIC PROTECTION  
DIVISION OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT & HOMELAND SECURITY



**TO:** State Agency Commissioners and State Agency Heads

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**SUBJECT:** 2023 Governor's EPPI Statewide Exercise State Agency Participation

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This year, a portion of the Governor's Emergency Planning and Preparedness Initiative (EPPI) Statewide Exercise will be devoted to training for decision makers from the state agencies most likely to participate on the Governor's Unified Command—his multi-agency policy group—at the State Emergency Operations Center (SEOC) in response to a major disaster. This training will take place on **Wednesday, October 18, 2023 from 9:30 am to 11:00 am at the SEOC** located at the Governor William A. O'Neill State Armory - 360 Broad Street, Hartford.

**We are requesting that the following agency heads-- or their designee who is likely to sit at the table with the Governor during an SEOC activation—attend:**

- Department of Administrative Services
- Department of Agriculture
- Department of Correction
- Department of Education
- DESPP: CT State Police, DEMHS, CT Commission on Fire Prevention and Control
- Department of Energy and Environmental Protection
- Military Department
- Office of Early Childhood
- Department of Public Health
- Department of Transportation

Prior to October 18th, state agencies are strongly encouraged to: review the [Governor's Executive Order 34](#) regarding the National Incident Management System and agency preparedness and response responsibilities, and review the State Response Framework for the agency's all-hazard roles and responsibilities.

If you have any questions or if you require any additional information regarding the Governor's EPPI, please feel free to contact DC Brenda Bergeron at (860) 250-2729 or [brenda.bergeron@ct.gov](mailto:brenda.bergeron@ct.gov), or Director William Turner at (860) 250-6947 or [william.h.turner@ct.gov](mailto:william.h.turner@ct.gov).

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