

## 2013 CERT SUMMIT REGISTRATION FORM

Please print the information requested. You may copy this form as needed.

Nick Name or Badge Name \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Position/ Title \_\_\_\_\_

Municipality/ County \_\_\_\_\_

Organization Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/ State/ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime Telephone No. \_\_\_\_\_

Fax No. \_\_\_\_\_

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Please indicate what days & trainings you will be attending:

- Day 1
- CERT Basic (Day 2-Day 4)
- CERT Train-the-Trainer (Day 2-Day 4)

Accessibility & Other Needs \_\_\_\_\_

**Summit Location:**

PEMA Headquarters, 2605 Interstate Drive, Harrisburg, PA 17110

**Hotel Accommodations:**

**TBD-**Please indicate whether you will be requiring hotel accommodations.

**Registration Deadline:**

June 14, 2013

**You may submit your registration form and all prerequisite documentation by the following methods:**

Email: RA-CertRequests@pa.gov

Fax: 717-651-2025

U.S. Postal Mail:

Bureau of Strategic Planning, Community Outreach and Planning Division  
Attn: CERT Summit Coordinator  
Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency  
2605 Interstate Drive  
Harrisburg, PA 17110

### Available Training

- 3-Day CERT Basic
- 3-Day CERT Train-the-Trainer

#### **CERT Basic Training**

##### ***Course Length:***

This course is **3** days in length.

##### ***Course Description:***

CERT Basic Training is designed to prepare you to help yourself and to help others in the event of a catastrophic disaster. Because emergency services personnel will not be able to help everyone immediately, you can make a difference by using your CERT training to save lives and protect property.

##### ***Prerequisite :***

None

#### **CERT Train-the-Trainer**

##### ***Course Length:***

This course is **3** days in length.

##### ***Course Description:***

This course prepares participants to deliver Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA) CERT Basic Training courses.

##### ***Prerequisite :***

- Provide proof of completion of the CERT Basic Course.
- Provide proof of training/ teaching experience.
- Provide a referral from a CERT-sponsoring agency, typically a local, regional, tribal, or State Government Agency.



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# Summit

## June 25-28

## 2013

# CERT SUMMIT

## AGENDA



**OUR GOAL** is to provide information and training to ALL CERT participants. Whether you're new to the program or a seasoned veteran we'll have something to offer you!

**Day 1** is filled with information on managing volunteers free of charge utilizing SERVPA, recruitment strategies, suggestions on sustainability, and additional training opportunities in search and rescue and HAM radio. We also have a CERT Volunteer Size Up Skills Challenge.

If you have more time and can stay we also have the following:

- 3-Day CERT Basic Training
- 3-Day CERT Train-the-Trainer

**So whether you have a day or 4....we hope to see you at our 1st Annual CERT Summit!**

### 8:00-8:30 Registration

### 8:30-8:45 Welcome and Opening Remarks

### 8:45-9:45 CERT Past, Present, and Future

This session will be facilitated by Rachel Jacky and is meant to provide an opportunity to meet and greet with each other. CERT leads will be asked to describe your current team, talk about some past year accomplishments and share goals for the future.

Rachel Jacky served as National Director of the Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) Program at the Federal Emergency Management Agency/ U. S. Department of Homeland Security from 2005 through 2012. In that capacity, Ms. Jacky provided policy direction and technical assistance on CERT program development at all levels of government. She promoted CERT training for a range of audiences including the general public, teens, private sector, campus, tribal, and all-abilities. She also developed the CERT Train-the-Trainer and CERT Program Manager courses now offered at FEMA's Emergency Management Institute, 10 modules of supplemental training for CERT members, a library of CERT exercises and drills for use by local CERT programs, and other tools to support new local CERT programs and strengthen over 2,300 existing programs nationwide.

### 9:45-10:00 Break

### 10:00-10:45 Managing Your Volunteers Utilizing SERVPA

Nina Vacante, Volunteer Emergency Workforce Coordinator from the Department of Health will be providing an overview of SERVPA and will be demonstrating the tools functionality.

### 10:45-11:15 Other Types of Training for Your CERT Team Members

Norman Auvil, Director – Special Deployment & Response from the Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency will be discussing other types of training for your CERT team members.

### 11:15-12:00 County Presentations

**County CERT leads will be presenting on their best practices some of the topics are:**

- Starting a New Program/ Taking over a Program/ Re-energizing your CERT Program.
- CERT Recruitment Strategies to Build a Volunteer Cadre.

### 12:00-1:00 Lunch

### 1:00-2:00 Charting the Course for CERT and Citizen Corps Programs in the Future

This session will include a facilitated discussion regarding the Commonwealth's CERT and Citizen Corps Programs. Results of the CERT Survey will be released and solutions will be openly discussed. PEMA staff will also discuss future initiatives and how you can be more actively engaged in our processes.

### 2:00-3:00 Radio Communications

Chris Snyder, Commonwealth ACS Coordinator from the Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency will be discussing HAM Radio and the Amateur Radio Emergency Service (ARES). He will also discuss how Family Radio Service/ General Mobile Radio Service (FRS/ GMRS) radios can be utilized for intra-team communications.

### 3:00-4:00 Beyond Budget: Sustainable Strategies for CERT

Matt Brisbois, Life Safety Specialist II for the City of Newport Beach Fire Department will be discussing fiscal and political strategies utilized by the Newport Beach Fire Department CERT program over the last several years to enhance and promote the CERT program. Topics that will be explored include the structure of the Newport Beach CERT program, methods for raising funds through both internal and external sources, use of CERT volunteers for cost savings, and how to effectively engage and educate your elected representatives on the benefits of CERT. The Newport Beach CERT program was selected as the 2012 FEMA Individual and Community Preparedness Awards for Outstanding CERT program initiatives and received an Honorable Mention for Volunteer Integration.

### 4:00-5:00 CERT Volunteer Size Up Skills Challenge

The challenge is designed for those participating in either the CERT Basic or CERT Train-the-Trainer courses. CERT members will develop and demonstrate knowledge and skills needed to respond to a community's immediate needs in the aftermath of a disaster, when emergency services are not immediately available. Activities will include team organization, perimeter size up, interior size up, hazard identification, location mapping and documentation.

### 5:00 Day 1 Wrap-Up