



Community Risk Management



“Thank you for your assistance during the regional on-site assessment in January. It went well, thanks in large part to ICF’s assistance with local program preparation.”

Emergency Management
Accreditation Program (EMAP)

Strategies for homeland security and all-hazards preparedness ultimately involve engaging Americans where they live and work. As governments advance their planning for potential terrorist attacks and natural disasters, effective communication with the public, political leadership, and other stakeholders is critical—but is often overlooked.

Some federal agencies have engaged consultants for help in managing the planning and communication process, gaining insight into stakeholder attitudes and achieving better coordination with affected communities. When planning succeeds, trust is built, and public and political stakeholders are better prepared for their roles when and if emergencies occur.

ICF Approach

For more than 30 years, ICF International has provided lasting solutions to many of government’s management, technology, and policy challenges. We combine deep program and industry knowledge with world-class technical expertise to help government clients at all levels engage successfully with diverse communities of stakeholders.

Our support includes the following:

- Assisting federal officials carry out the destruction of chemical weapons at seven stockpile locations throughout the United States through the analysis and advice on issues of congressional policy and public safety concerns.
- Supporting the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) in testing and evaluating emergency programs to protect the public in the case of radiological releases from nuclear power plants.
- In partnership with the Department of Education, supporting school districts nationwide in planning for potential emergencies of all sorts, from armed intrusions to natural disasters.
- Teaming with police; fire and emergency responders; public health professionals; and DHS, state, and local officials in developing and evaluating emergency responses to potential pandemic health threats or bioterror attacks.
- Administering Louisiana’s “The Road Home Housing Program,” helping an anticipated 123,000 victims of Hurricanes Katrina and Rita apply for state grants to repair, rebuild, or replace housing.

Featured Solutions

Chemical Stockpile Emergency Preparedness (CSEP) Program

ICF supports the CSEP Program on two fronts. Since 1997, we have provided advice, analysis, and technical assistance to the Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Army for Chemical Demilitarization, who directs the destruction of stockpiles of chemical munitions at seven sites throughout the United States. The political and public climate surrounding the program has a major bearing on how well it meets milestones and budget targets. Our deep understanding of all stakeholder issues affecting the program makes us a valuable resource for administrators of this often controversial effort.

ICF also assists the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) in ensuring that public safety and emergency plans are in place in communities near munitions sites.

Radiological Emergency Program (REP)

ICF is the primary advisor to FEMA in carrying out federal REP, which requires periodic testing of emergency responses at the community level in the event of a radiological release from a nuclear power plant. We assist program managers in ensuring the credibility of evacuation and medical response plans—credibility is crucial for public and political stakeholder support.

We also are responsible for updating REP's regulatory foundation to reflect the threat of terrorist action and the renewed interest in nuclear power options in the electric power industry.

Metropolitan Medical Response System

ICF assists the DHS in strengthening the Metropolitan Medical Response System by training personnel in law enforcement, fire-fighting, hazardous material handling, and emergency medical services to respond more effectively during the first 48 hours of a public health crisis.

Pandemic Flu Exercises

ICF supported the Iowa Department of Public Health and the State of Iowa's six public healthcare regions in developing and conducting an exercise to test state and local public health and medical plans for response to pandemic flu. Exercise participants included state, regional, and local public health departments; emergency management agencies; emergency medical services; and hospitals.

ICF aided the State of Massachusetts health and public safety officials in developing a statewide exercise program testing responses to public health emergencies involving the Department of Public Health, hospitals, EMS providers, and community health centers.

About ICF International

ICF International (NASDAQ: ICFI) partners with government and commercial clients to deliver consulting services and technology solutions in the energy, climate change, environment, transportation, social programs, health, defense, and emergency management markets. The firm combines passion for its work with industry expertise and innovative analytics to produce compelling results throughout the entire program life cycle, from analysis and design through implementation and improvement. Since 1969, ICF has been serving government at all levels, major corporations, and multilateral institutions. More than 2,500 employees serve these clients worldwide. ICF's Web site is www.icfi.com.

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