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“The All Hazards Forum serves as the platform to facilitate integrated homeland security readiness for the states in the Mid-Atlantic Region.”

Dennis Schrader  
Director, Maryland Office of Homeland Security

“This forum fills an extremely important role. In my opinion, it was the single most important thing the region did for improved preparedness.”

Evalyn Fisher  
Director, Bureau of Plans  
Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency



*Note:* In cooperation with the Departments of Homeland Security and Emergency Management from each of the supporting Mid-Atlantic states, registration fees will be waived for up to 50 qualified government official homeland security and emergency management planners and practitioners from each state.

Additionally, ODP has authorized that ODP Grant Fund M&A monies be allowed to reimburse travel and maintenance costs in connection with the regionally strategic **All Hazards Forum**, for participating state and local homeland security directors, state administrating agencies, and their designees, with the approval of the state SAA. Participants may submit their travel and maintenance out of pocket expenses for SAA approval for reimbursement out of ODP Grant Fund M&A money.

### TUESDAY, OCTOBER 25

6:00 p.m. -  
8:00 p.m.

#### VIP AHF Kickoff Reception

*Camden Club at Oriole Park*

Arrive Tuesday, check into your hotel, settle down, and check out the opening VIP Reception at historic Camden Yards overlooking the MLB Oriole Park ball field. This gathering is exclusively for government conference participants. Meet your colleagues and make new contacts from throughout the region at this icebreaker networking event. Last year's attendees said it was the best possible way to kick off the **All Hazards Forum** experience – not to be missed!

### WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 26

9:00 a.m. -  
10:00 a.m.

#### 1) Federal Grants for State and Local Procurements

What are ODP grant priorities and what are the procedures for consolidated state and local grants from ODP? How are the states getting new grants, and what are they doing with new funds? How do states turn grants into procurements? How are governments demonstrating that procurements and program implementation are measurably improving planning, readiness,

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response, and recovery capabilities that make our communities safer?

*Moderator:*

**Merril Oliver**, Deputy Director, Maryland Governor's Grants Office

*Panelists:*

**Nicholas W. Peake**, Office for Domestic Preparedness, U.S.  
Department of Homeland Security

**Julian Gilman**, ODP Grants Coordinator, Virginia Dept. of  
Emergency Management

**Steve Kral**, Administrator for the Office of Homeland Security,  
Office of the Deputy Mayor for Public Safety and Justice

**Steve Talpas**, Grants Coordinator, New Jersey Dept. of Law &  
Public Safety

**Richard Riffe**, Director of Corporate Development & Procurement,  
Montgomery County Fire & Rescue

**9:00 a.m. -  
10:00 a.m.**

## **2) Strategies in Evacuation Planning**

Problems in Katrina evacuation management underscore the hard decisions that are necessary. How do you communicate an evacuation? When does it become mandatory? What federal, state, local, and private resources are engaged to evacuate the population? How to establish and maintain communications among evacuating authorities? How to manage evacuation of those who cannot evacuate themselves? Where do you evacuate to? What resources of shelter, bedding, food, water, medical supplies and expertise are necessary? When do you preposition those resources and where do they come from? How do you maintain public safety and security throughout an evacuation?

*Moderator:*

**Barbara Childs-Pair**, Director, DC Emergency Management  
Association

*Panelists:*

**Dan Tangherlini**, Director, District of Columbia Department of  
Transportation

**Steve Mondul**, Director of Security & Emergency Management,  
Virginia Dept. of Transportation

**Warren Lee**, Director, Emergency Management, New Hanover  
County, North Carolina

**9:00 a.m. -  
10:00 a.m.**

### **3) Media's Role in Crisis Communications**

Discussion will include what is the role of a PIO during a crisis? How can you leverage public media as a mass communication and awareness channel before an event to mitigate and abate loss? What types of information do the media expect before and during a situation? What information will the media get and release on their own? Lessons learned from January 2004 Baltimore Tanker Truck accident on Interstate 95.

*Moderator:*

**Gary W. McLhinney**, Chief of Maryland Transportation Authority Police

*Panelists:*

**Greg Shipley**, Public Information Officer, Maryland State Police

**Mike Schuh**, Television Reporter, WJZ13

**Jo'Ellen Countee**, Public Information Officer, DC Emergency Management Association

**Roger Shatzkin**, Public Information Officer, New Jersey Office of the Governor

**10:00 a.m. -  
10:45 a.m.**

### **Coffee Break on Exhibition Floor**

**9:00 a.m. -  
12:00 noon**

### **Workshop: MDOT & IT Vendors Forum and State Contracting Workshop** *(open to everyone)*

*Exhibition Floor General Session Room*

Take a look at state information and communications technology procurement processes through the eyes of a government buyer, as one of the region's largest technology purchasers (Maryland's Department of Transportation) describes how large businesses, small and medium enterprises, minority business enterprises can and should approach MDOT for business.

Learn about state-wide IT contracts, advertising of solicitations, task orders, DBM and state-wide IT, Board of Public Works, and more. Meet and network with prime contract holders, ask questions and develop new contacts!

**10:45 a.m. -  
11:45 a.m.**

### **4) Emergency Communications Interoperability for Voice and Data**

Even with advanced warning in hurricane disasters, entire systems of communication can be wiped out. Interoperability, redundancy, resiliency have to

be planned and implemented to ensure the best possible level of communication and coordination in the events surrounding emergency response. Maintaining voice communications, leveraging data information like GIS as a platform for data sharing, accessing and sharing public safety data like criminal justice information will lead the discussion. DHS project SAFECOM and its interoperability continuum will be discussed. Session will address how to achieve data and voice interoperability across agencies and first-responder departments.

*Moderator:*

**John Contestabile**, Director of Procurement & Engineering,  
Maryland Dept. of Transportation

*Panelists:*

**Leigh Middleditch**, CIO, Governor's Office of Executive Services,  
State House, State of Maryland

**Mike Mahaffie**, Delaware State GIS Director

**Robert Le Grande**, Deputy CTO for Wireless Networks, HSMP  
Development and Agency Liaison, Office of Chief Technology  
Officer, DC Government

**Lieutenant Woody Sandy**, Executive Officer of the Information  
Management Unit, North Carolina State Highway Patrol

**William D. Ramsey, M.D.**, West Virginia State EMS Medical  
Director

10:45 a.m. -  
11:45 a.m.

## 5) Port Security and other Maritime Assessments

Twenty million containers enter the U.S. each year via ship, truck or rail. Door-to-door, a typical container may pass through the hands of 25 different people and be handled at a dozen different locations. The Eastern United States is one of the busiest ports in the nation. How are the ISPS Code, CSI, the 24-hour manifest rule, The Maritime Transportation Security Act, and other regulations and initiatives helping to protect maritime assets domestically and abroad?

*Moderator:*

**Brooks Royster**, Executive Director, Maryland Port Administration

*Panelists:*

**Steve Mondul**, Director of Security & Emergency Management,  
Virginia Dept. of Transportation

**Captain Curt Springer**, Commander, Coast Guard Sector  
Baltimore

**Miles Lehman**, Security Consultant, Philadelphia Regional Port

Authority

10:45 a.m. -  
11:45 a.m.

## 6) Staying Open for Business in Times of Hazards

Private industry, large employers, and critical infrastructure operators have urgent continuity of operations pressures for keeping their employees safe while continuing to provide essential services during a crisis. This requires close coordination with government planning, and situational awareness with incident commanders. In this session private-sector practitioners share their employee emergency mobilization plans and business continuity plans so that government knows what the private sector needs in order to help keep electricity, food, water, medical, and financial services flowing as much as possible.

*Moderator:*

**Teresa Chapman**, State COOP Manager, Maryland Emergency Management Agency

*Panelists:*

**Jason Jackson**, Director of Business Continuity for Wal-Mart, Stores, Inc.

**Sheila Carpenter**, Catastrophe Section Manager, State Farm Insurance

**LTG (Ret.) Charles S. Mahan, Jr.**, Vice President, Homeland Security & Defense, SAP Public Services, Inc.

12:00 p.m. -  
1:00 p.m.

## KEYNOTE LUNCHEON

[John Marselle](#), Chief Operating Officer, Sun Microsystems Federal

1:15 p.m. -  
2:15 p.m.

## Plenary Session: State Strategies on Homeland Security Presidential Directives (HSPD) *(open to everyone)*

*General Session Room*

Are we safer yet? State Homeland Security Directors and their peers discuss state strategies on implementation of Homeland Security Presidential Directives. Learn what the states are doing related to NIMS and Domestic Incidents, National Preparedness, and Critical Infrastructure Protection. Open discussion will follow.

*Moderator:*

**Dennis R. Schrader**, Director, Maryland Office of Homeland Security

*Panelists:*

**David Mitchell**, Secretary, Delaware Department of Safety & Homeland Security

**Robert B. Newman, Jr.**, Deputy Assistant to the Governor, Virginia Office of the Governor

**Jimmy Gianato**, Director, West Virginia Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management

**Tom O'Reilly**, Administrator, New Jersey Office of Attorney General, Dept of Law and Public Safety

**Bud Mertz**, Director, Pennsylvania Office Homeland Security

2:30 p.m. -  
3:30 p.m.

**7) U.S. DHS First Responders Card Initiative**

Personnel identification, credentialing, badging, and access control are necessary to protect building ingress, network access, and incident command login and logout at the scene. This panel covers The National Capital Region First Responder Partnership Initiative to provide Federal, State and Local First Responders with smart identity cards that would enable their identity and emergency attribute(s) to be electronically verified during a crisis incident. This Partnership is leveraging the technical standards of FIPS 201 to achieve interoperability among multi-jurisdictions. Full scale issuance to regional First Responders will commence in January 2006.

*Moderator:*

**Craig A. Wilson**, First Responder Partnership Coordinator, Office of National Capital Region Coordination, Department of Homeland Security

*Panelists:*

**Anthony M. Cieri**, Senior Consultant to the Department of Interior and Federal Interagency Advisory Board

**Lemar Jones, Jr.**, Director, Antiterrorism/Force Protection Directorate, Pentagon Force Protection Agency

**Mike McAllister**, Deputy State Director, Security & Emergency Management, Virginia Department of Transportation

**Brad Jewitt**, Director, Office of the Fleet, Facilities and Administrative Services, Maryland Department of Transportation

**Jack Markey**, Director of Emergency Management for Frederick County, Maryland

**Elmer T. Carreno, M.D.**, Deputy Health Officer, Prince George's County Health Department

**Chris Tonjes**, Director of Special Projects, District of Columbia

Office of the Chief Technology Officer

**2:30 p.m. -  
3:30 p.m.**

**8) National Guard Adjutants General: Lessons Learned from Katrina**

After Katrina, future disasters will see earlier federal involvement and the swift establishment of authoritative and unmistakable chain of command. These are two dynamics that will engage military resources, shifting the strategic mission envelope of the National Guard. This panel of regional Adjutant General National Guard commanders addresses the new realities in Katrina's wake.

*Moderator:*

**Adjutant General Bruce F. Tuxill**, Maryland National Guard

*Panelists:*

**General Wherley**, Commanding General of the DC National Guard

**3:30 p.m. -  
3:45 p.m.**

**Coffee Break**

**3:45 p.m. -  
4:30 p.m.**

**9) Regional Transit Security Strategies**

Transportation authorities have two priorities in security planning: to prevent disaster involving mass transit, air traffic, rail, trucking, automotive, or marine shipping; and to protect the essential resources of highways, railways, airports, and ports so that they are available in response to a massive disaster. Learn what transportation strategists are doing to ensure the security of their assets, to provide effective systems-wide communications for security and emergency management, and find out what is needed additionally at this time for optimum safety related to these resources.

*Moderator:*

**Earl R. Lewis, Jr.**, Assistant Secretary for Administration, Maryland Dept. of Transportation

*Panelists:*

**Mark Miller**, Emergency Planning Operation Coordinator, Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority

**Harold W. Neil, Jr.**, Director, Office of Transportation Security, New Jersey Department of Transportation

**Errol Ettings**, Director of Intelligence, Maryland Transportation Authority

**3:45 p.m. -  
4:30 p.m.**

## **10) Strategies for Critical Infrastructure Protection**

Government has the role of coordinating with the private sector to develop integrated critical infrastructure planning that covers all essential government, communications, utility, food supply, health, financial, and industrial facilities. This session will explore the strategies, obstacles and solutions related to planning and implementing statewide CIP policies, procedures, systems, within the context of public-private coordination.

*Moderator:*

**Jeff Wendel**, Chief Operating Officer, Towson University

*Panelists:*

**Mel Blizzard**, Domestic Preparedness Manager, Maryland Emergency Management Association

**Chris Voss**, Chief of Training, Exercises, Mitigation and Planning, DC Emergency Management Agency

**Robert B. Newman, Jr.**, Deputy Assistant to the Governor, Virginia Office of the Governor

**2:30 p.m. -  
4:30 p.m.**

## **Oracle Multimedia Presentation: Who Caught John Blade?** *(open to everyone)*

*Exhibition Floor General Session Room*

Please join Oracle and HP for Who Caught John Blade, a unique executive forum that shows how technology solutions can help address today's most pressing intelligence challenges. Watch a dramatic presentation in which intelligence agents James Watson and Frank Hardy track down individual suspects and race against time to uncover a greater conspiracy.

As the story unfolds, we'll showcase live demonstrations of technology solutions that help Watson and Hardy avert a planned attack. These demonstrations will highlight a wide range of integrated solutions and technologies, including collaboration, integration, interoperability, protected enterprise, business continuity, real-world best practices, and more. A question and answer period following the enactment presents key homeland security experts from multiple disciplines leading into the Opening Exhibitor Reception.

**4:30 p.m. -  
5:30 p.m.**

## **EXHIBITOR RECEPTION ON EXHIBITION FLOOR**

Begin to wind down as you network with colleagues, peers, and solutions providers in this reception on the exhibition floor. Share refreshments in this

neutral government-industry mixer. Get ideas regarding technology, materials, services, equipment, and supplies that might inform your planning and procurement process. Relax a little before heading out for the evening.

**6:00 p.m. -  
8:00 p.m.**

### **VIP Reception at the World Trade Center**

Head up to the top of Baltimore's World Trade Center for stunning night-time views of the Inner Harbor, and a memorable evening of refreshment, entertainment, food, and fellowship atop the city skyline. This VIP evening event is limited to those with **All Hazards Forum** conference badges. Don't miss this chance to further relationships with colleagues and peers throughout the region, because you never know when you might need to call upon each other, graciously sponsored by M/A Com and Cisco.

## **THURSDAY, OCTOBER 27**

**9:00 a.m. -  
10:00 a.m.**

### **11) Regional CIO Perspectives Roundtable**

Multi-agency and inter-governmental systems integration, interoperability, and data fusion create critical information and communications technology and cyber security issues for state/county CIOs. Regional chief information executives discuss strategies and lessons learned in the important areas of resource sharing, statewide & regional networking, continuity of operations, and critical infrastructure resilience.

*Moderator:*

**Ellis Kitchen**, Chief Information Officer, Department of Budget and Management, State of Maryland

*Panelists:*

**Tom Steele**, Chief Information Officer, Delaware Department of Safety and Homeland Security

**Suzanne Peck**, CIO, DC Emergency Management Agency

**Maria Cardiello**, Chief of Information Technology, Dept. of Law & Public Safety, State of New Jersey

**Tom Reidy**, Director of Office of Information Technology (OIT)/Statewide Radio, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

**9:00 a.m. -  
10:00 a.m.**

### **12) Business Resources in Times of Crisis**

This session will discuss what tools, services, materials and equipment can be provided to an area impacted by disaster. What resources are out there that

industry and government are prepared to bare in times of crisis?

*Moderator:*

**William "Corky" Lowe**, Programs Director, New Jersey Business Force

*Panelists:*

**Nick DeTura**, Vice President, Lucent Technologies

**Jan Mares**, Business Liasion Director, Private Sector Office, Department of Homeland Security

**Brian W. Walsh**, National Venue Representative, Humanitarian International Services Group

**Howard Butt**, Captain New Jersey Sate Police (Retired), EMAC Coordinator, Emergency Management Section, State of New Jersey

**Ern Blackwelder**, Business Executives for National Security, Senior Vice President for Business Force Development

**9:00 a.m. -  
10:00 a.m.**

### **13) Surge Capacity in the Health & Medical Field**

A health system's ability to expand its services rapidly depends on critical planning for information technology systems; data and voice communications; obtaining and distributing inventories of beds, drugs, and supplies; the availability of qualified personnel and their ability to perform tasks assigned to them. Special considerations involve secondary outbreaks; responding to biological, chemical, and radiological events; incident command; risk communication; treating special populations; legal considerations for delivering services outside of authorized capacity. Regional and national healthcare leaders discuss these issues in light of recent events in the New Orleans and the Gulf Region, analyzed against projected threats that could affect our own areas.

*Presenter:*

**Julie Casani, M.D.**, Director, Office of Public Health Preparedness and Response, Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene

**8:30 a.m. -  
12:15 p.m.**

### **Anti-Terrorism Advisory Council of Maryland Training Seminar (open to everyone)**

*Exhibition Floor General Session Room*

The Anti-Terrorism Advisory Council (ATAC), as mandated by the U.S. Attorney General, is an umbrella organization of local, state and federal agencies that coordinates activities, develops policy, and implements strategic plans to combat terrorism in the State of Maryland. It also coordinates with the other ATACs

around the nation.

The purpose of ATAC training is to better equip federal, state and local agencies involved in law enforcement, public health, emergency planning and response, the military and the intelligence community to perform their critical anti-terrorism functions.

**8:30 a.m. – Tina W. Gabbrielli**, Director of Intelligence Coordination & Special Infrastructure Protection, Department of Homeland Security

**10:30 – Emily Hickey**, Deputy Communications Officer, Protected Critical Infrastructure Information (PCII) Program Office

**10:45 a.m. -  
11:45 a.m.**

#### **14) Implementing Federal & State Regionalism**

DHS priorities for regionalism and states' compliance with HSPD timelines and milestones have systems integration implications, representing opportunities for industry to apply advanced technology solutions for government needs. How does government stay abreast of state-of-the-art technology that can link the region so that planning is properly informed, and how can industry present the most advanced solutions for regional procurement consideration?

*Moderator:*

**Tom Steele**, CIO, Delaware Department of Safety & Homeland Security

*Panelists:*

**Tom Lockwood**, Director National Capital Region, Department of Homeland Security

**Bob Caccese**, Director, Operations Audit Unit, Dept of Law & Public Safety, State of New Jersey

**10:45 a.m. -  
11:45 a.m.**

#### **15) Alerting the Public through the Use of Technology**

Creating a coordinated public notification system for major emergencies is a priority. Emergency management and technology leaders discuss what kinds of tools and communications systems are available to push information to government leaders and to the public. What kinds of systems exist for automatic and instantaneous outbound to electronic highway signs, land lines, cell phones, and computers using voice alerts, text messaging, and emails? Who has tested such systems, and what are the glitches?

*Panelists:*

**Bob Peter**, Director, Business Development, REVERSE 911®  
**Marc Ladin**, Vice President of Marketing, National Notification Network  
**Joe Walsh**, Chief Operating Officer, SquareLoop

**10:45 a.m. -  
11:45 a.m.**

### **16) Response & Recovery from a Biohazard Event**

Whether it's toxically polluted floodwaters, industrial explosion, or CBRN WMD; natural, accidental, or terrorism, disasters can become biohazard crisis. This session explores how the medical systems detect symptoms, diagnose the problems, and accommodate a large number of exposed people. How clean is the scene, how do you prevent further contamination, and how do you protect response personnel on the scene? How do you clean up and remediate an area the size of a major city? How long will it take? Observation of the Katrina disaster in New Orleans, with toxic floodwaters that contaminated residue over 80% of the city, will lead this discussion.

*Moderator:*

**Chris Wagner**, Region 3 Representative, Environmental Protection Agency

*Panelists:*

**Gus Douglas**, Commissioner, West Virginia Department of Agriculture

**Lisa Kaplowitz**, Deputy Commissioner, Virginia Health Department

**Dr. Greg Pane**, Director, DC Department of Health

**11:30 a.m. -  
2:00 p.m.**

### **OPEN LUNCH**

*Luncheon Room*

**1:00 p.m. -  
3:00 p.m.**

### **Plenary Training in General Session Room** *(open to everyone)*

Presentation on counter-terrorism programs and communications of intelligence that have been effective in Israel, offering lessons learned and best practices for law enforcement, first responders, and planners.

**Brigadier General Simon Perry, Ph.D.**, Attaché & Liaison Officer to the USA & Canada, Israeli Police & Ministry of Public Security

2:00 p.m. -  
3:00 p.m.

### 17) Who's In Charge Here? Incident Chain of Command

Knowing the chain of incident management command can prevent a crisis from turning into a disaster of disaster management. Who takes command at the local scene, and at what point in the emergency timeline? When and how does the state government get involved, and the National Guard? When does FEMA become engaged, and how? When does incident command become federalized, and what happens with active duty military and other federal agency involvement? Katrina has shown how it can break down, and what can happen through chain of command failure. This discussion will inform planners on what should happen, and when it should happen, for expanding incident chain of command.

*Moderator:*

**Michael Greenberger**, Director, Center for Health and Homeland Security, University of Maryland School of Law

*Panelists:*

**John Droneburg**, Director, Maryland Emergency Management Agency

**Christa-Marie Singleton, M.D., MPH**, Chief Medical Director for the Baltimore City Health Department's, Office of Public Health Preparedness and Response

**James K. "CHIPS" Stewart**, Senior Fellow Office of the President CNAC's Institute for Public Research

2:00 p.m. -  
3:00 p.m.

### 18) Best Practices on Implementing Citizen Corps *(open to everyone)*

Five programs are available for individuals to make their families and communities safer, stronger and better prepared. Learn about state best practices in the areas of Community Emergency Response Teams (CERT), Neighborhood Watch, Volunteers in Police Service (VIPS), Fire Corps and Medical Reserve Corps.

*Moderator:*

**Angela Heim**, Region 3 Program Manager, Citizen Corp, ODP, DHS

*Panelists:*

**Suzanne Simmons**, Volunteer Coordinator, Virginia Department of Emergency Management

**Howie Butt**, New Jersey State Police, State Citizen Corp Coordinator

**3:00 p.m. -**      **Coffee Break on Exhibition Floor**  
**3:15 p.m.**

**3:15 p.m. -**      **Closing Keynote Address in General Session Room** (*open to*  
**4:00 p.m.**      *everyone*)

Introductions by **Brigadier General Simon Perry, Ph.D.**, Attaché &  
Liaison Officer to the USA & Canada, Israeli Police & Ministry of  
Public Security

**Robert L. Ehrlich, Jr.**, Governor, State of Maryland

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