

# NAPHIT 2007 Webinars

**Emergency Preparedness and Response:**  
**Part I: IT Solutions**  
**Part II: Lessons Learned After a Natural Disaster**  
*A webinar sponsored by Microsoft*

## **WHEN**

Wednesday, March 21, 2007: 3pm ET (2pm CT, 1pm MT, 12pm PT)

## **WHERE**

Anywhere—you just call our toll-free conference line from any location and open your computer's browser.

## **FORMAT**

This 90-minute webinar highlights data exchange/system integration activities in public health departments. Panel presentations are followed by a moderated audience question and answer session.

## **TARGET AUDIENCE**

Public Health Officials, including:

- Directors of health departments
- CIOs/Directors of IT
- Project managers
- Program managers implementing IT or other projects
- Public health stakeholders
- Corporate organizations working in public health departments

## **WHAT WILL BE PRESENTED**

This webinar focuses on a topic of great interest to most of our public health IT members: emergency response and preparedness. We've divided the webinar into two areas—solutions that support emergency preparedness and response, and lessons learned following a natural disaster.

In the solutions area, we have two presenters. First, a clinician will describe how he uses the VisualDx Clinical Diagnostic System, a solution from NAPHIT corporate member Logical Images, to help identify unusual symptoms that may be associated with bioterrorism or pandemic flu while diagnosing common conditions, STDs, and infections/reportable diseases. Next, Steve Church, an emergency planner from Fairfax County Health Department in Virginia's will talk about how they are deploying ACTIV™, a solution from Roam Secure, that helps them maintain and keep current an emergency workforce database so that in the event of an emergency, they can quickly form teams of responders based on available skill sets and geographical location.

Finally, Vernon Hunt, NAPHIT member and Chief Technology Officer from the City of Houston's Health Department will address lessons learned following a natural disaster. Specifically, he will discuss what his department learned as a result of the many responsibilities that fell to them following Hurricane Katrina.

## **WHAT YOU WILL LEARN**

In this presentation, participants will gain knowledge of:

- Solutions that support IT in emergency events and preparedness activities.
- The challenges faced by health departments when helping respond to and recover from an emergency event.

## **SPEAKERS**

- Art Papier, MD, founder Logical Images, and its director of research and design. Associate Professor in Dermatology and Medical Informatics at the University of Rochester School of Medicine and Dentistry.
- Steve Church, Emergency Planner, Office of Emergency Preparedness, Fairfax County Health Department, Virginia.
- Vernon Hunt, Chief Technology Officer, City of Houston Department of Health.

## **JOINING THE MEETING**

All NAPHIT members and invited health department CIOs/Directors of IT can participate in this webinars. If you cannot make it, please arrange a meeting place for your managers, so they log-in/call in and take advantage of the webinar session. Here are the details you'll need to call in:

## **QUESTIONS**

Please email [ghare@naphit.org](mailto:ghare@naphit.org) with any questions. Thank you.

## **FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT NAPHIT WEBINARS**

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<http://www.naphit.org/global/library/webinars/091205/ProjMgmtWebinar091205.doc>

### *About NAPHIT*

The National Association for Public Health Information Technology (NAPHIT) is a national non-profit organization that provides leaders in public health information technology with an avenue to exchange ideas and experiences, discuss and shape current public health information policy, and learn about tools and technologies that help them better support public health.

As a national organization, NAPHIT members represent states, territories, locals and other public health agencies and organizations. We collaborate on and exchange ideas and best practices to improve quality and reduce costs of public health information systems and information technology. We also influence the development and adoption of standards in public health information technology through advocacy and advice to decision makers at the federal, state and local level, and promote a strategic approach to managing information technology solutions that support public health programs.