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#### How to Strategically Build a Culture of Comprehensive Emergency Preparedness at a Community College

Building a culture of Comprehensive Emergency Preparedness from scratch can appear to be an extremely daunting task at first glance. It doesn't have to be! If you take a mapped out--systematic approach; keep the implementation of the program simple, practical, & executable as well as cohesive; and ensure executive leadership supports the shift to being proactive rather than reactive – you will have all the ingredients to succeed. I intend to illustrate, via a poster, how this is being accomplished at Lansing Community College and discuss what worked well and what didn't work as well, to hopefully help other institutions of higher education better map out their own unique preparedness approach.

**Presentation Theme:** How the LCC implementation and exercise of emergency preparedness culture plays out in creating experienced and knowledgeable individuals who are prepared to use what they have learned to help one another during a real-world incident.

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