

Introduction to Emergency Social Services

Course Sponsor:

Justice Institute of B.C. - Emergency Social Services Training

Target Audience:

New Emergency Social Services workers

Course Description:

Duration: 3 Hours

This introductory course provides an overview of Emergency Social Services (ESS) for new ESS workers. It is available as a self-study guide or can also be delivered by a facilitator. ESS workers must complete both modules before registering for other courses.

Course Objectives:

Module 1: Basic ESS

On completion of this module, participants will be able to:

- Define Emergency Social Services
- Describe the primary services: Emergency Food, Clothing, Lodging, Registration and Inquiry
- Describe specialized services: Personal Services, Pet Care
- Identify local hazards
- Explain emergency management
- Discuss the relationship of the local ESS team to municipal, regional, provincial and federal governments
- Identify ESS Partner Agencies

Module 2: Personal Preparedness for ESS Workers

Upon completion of this module, participants will be able to:

- Explain the Provincial Emergency Program (PEP) slogan; "Share the Responsibility"
- Develop a "grab-and-go bag"
- Practice "care of the caregiver" principles

Prerequisite:

None

Type of Instruction:

3 hours in class or 3 hours of self-study

Class Size:

30 Maximum

Course Location:

In your community, facilitated in the form of a workshop by an ESS Trainer, local ESSD or designate, or, participants can work on the self-study guide at their own pace.

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Additional Comments:

The self-study guide may be ordered from the Emergency Management Division or accessed online at:
<http://www.jibc.bc.ca/emergency/f-emergency.html>