# Office of National Capital Region Coordination (NCRC)

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# NCRC is charged with a broad mandate under the Homeland Security Act of 2002 "to oversee and coordinate Federal programs for and relationships with State, local, and regional authorities in the National Capital Region."

#### The Office established under Section 882, subsection (a)(1) shall -

- (1) **coordinate the activities of the Department** relating to the National Capital Region;
- (2) **assess, and advocate for,** the **resources** needed by State, local, and regional authorities in the National Capital Region to implement efforts to secure the homeland;
- (3) **provide** State, local, and regional authorities in the National Capital Region with **regular information**, **research**, **and technical support** to assist the efforts of State, local, and regional authorities in the National Capital Region **in securing the homeland**;
- (4) **develop a process for receiving** meaningful **input** from State, local, and regional authorities and the private sector in the National Capital Region to assist in the development of the homeland security plans and activities of the Federal Government;
- (5) coordinate with Federal agencies in the National Capital Region on terrorism preparedness, to ensure adequate planning, information sharing, training, and execution of the Federal role in domestic preparedness activities;
- (6) coordinate with Federal, **State**, **local**, **and regional agencies**, **and the private sector** in the National Capital Region on terrorism preparedness to ensure adequate planning, information sharing, training, and execution of domestic preparedness activities among these agencies and entities; and
- (7) serve as a liaison between the Federal Government and State, local, and regional authorities, and private sector entities in the National Capital Region to facilitate access to Federal grants and other programs.

#### The Office established under subsection (a) shall submit an annual report to Congress that includes -

- (1) the **identification of the resources required** to fully implement homeland security efforts in the National Capital Region;
- (2) an assessment of the progress made by the National Capital Region in implementing homeland security efforts; and
- (3) **recommendations** to Congress **regarding** the **additional resources** needed to fully implement homeland security efforts in the NCR.

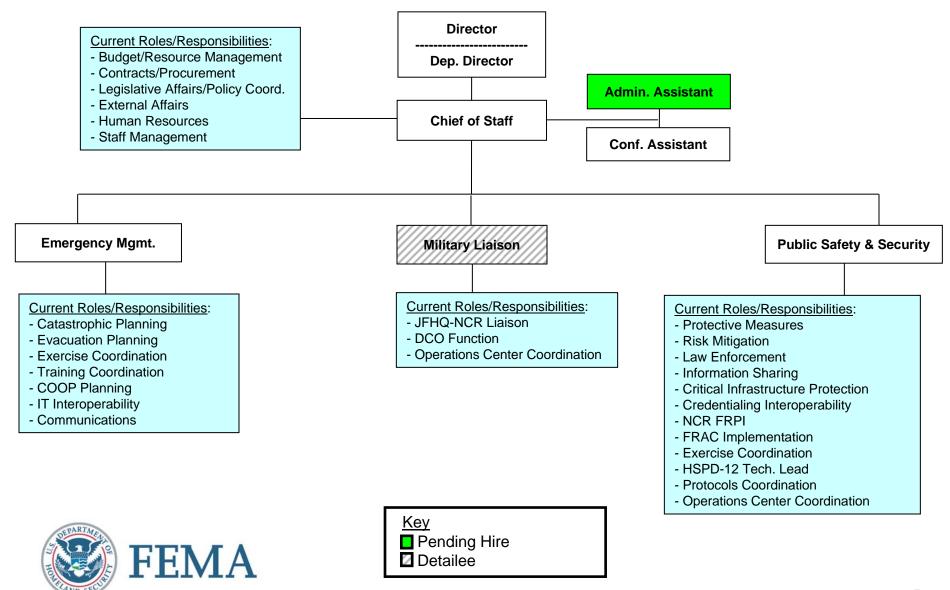


## **Expectations of NCRC**

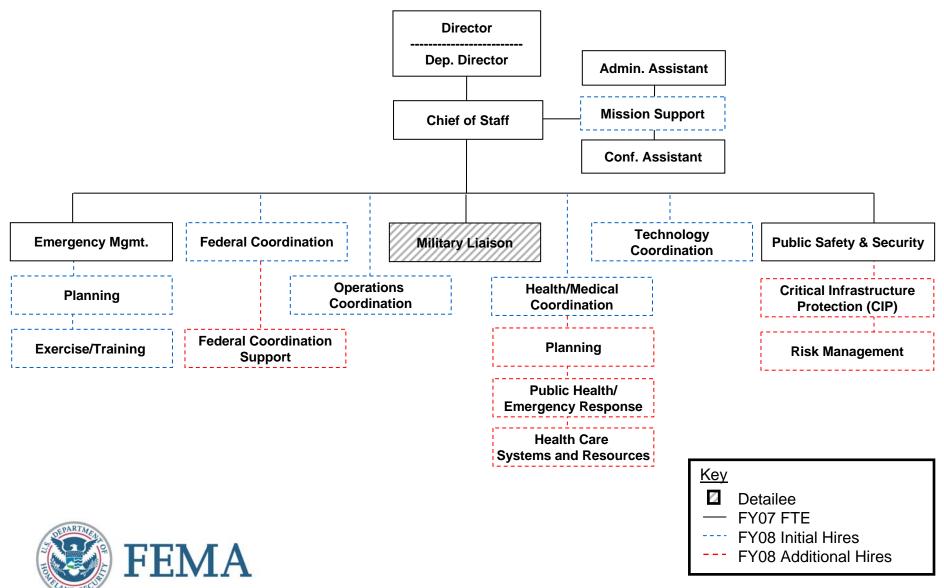
- NCRC and Congress agree on priorities
  - Catastrophic Planning
    - Evacuation, Interoperability and Credentialing
  - Federal Coordination
  - Risk
  - NCR Homeland Security Strategic Plan
- NCRC actively manages common myths about NCR and NCRC
  - The NCRC is a command and control entity
  - One person -- NCRC's Director -- is in charge of the NCR
  - NCRC can direct other NCR authorities (State, local, regional) to act
  - NCRC determines DHS UASI grant allocations for the NCR
  - NCRC provides technical support to NCR partners in the UASI application process
  - NCRC implements NCR Strategic Plan tasks and initiatives
- Additional expectation: NCRC will provide stability and continuity in NCR homeland security governance structure



### NCRC Staff Resources and Organization – FY2007



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# NCRC Strategic Priorities (cir. April 07) (Reflects Regional Needs and National Policy Guidance)

#### Catastrophic Planning

- NCRC and FEMA Region III Coordination
  - Evacuation, Sheltering and Mass Care
  - Exercises and Training
  - NRP, NIMS, NIPP
- Federal Role in Regional Planning/Response
  - Federal Agency Protective Measures and Protocols

#### Federal Participation and Integration in the NCR

- Planning
- Coordination
- Operations

#### Regional-level Risk-based Capability Development

- Informed Resource Allocation and Capability Development
- Forward National Dialog on National-Regional-State-Local Risk Assessment
- Functional and Technical Interoperability
  - Communications
  - Credentialing
  - Operations Center Coordination
  - CBRNE Protocols
- CIP/Protective Measures
  - Federal
  - State and local



# NCRC Strategic Priority Accomplishments

#### Catastrophic Planning

- Integrate Efforts for Catastrophic Planning
  - Initiated meetings to develop coordinated approach with R3, G&T, Disaster Operations & Assistance
  - Leverage resources: \$35m UASI/\$20m FEMA
  - Larger FEMA coordination issue
  - NCR to demonstrate coordinated approach

#### Federal Operations & Coordination in the NCR

- Engaged w/ Disaster Ops and R3 on roles and responsibilities in NCR incidents
- NCRC–RIII Off-site outcome: R3 to update Hurricane CONOPs to include NCRC role
- Served as Fed. Coord. for 4th of July celebrations
- Developing Unified Command structure for Federal family in the NCR (JFCE)
- Coordinating with DHS Ops (Adm. Rufe)

#### Regional-level Risk Analysis

- Established Steering committee that has developed process and subtasks necessary for the nex phase of Risk Analysis in the region. Committee includes:
  - DHS Risk Management & Analysis Office (RMA)
  - Regional EMA, Fusion, CIP, LE and Fire Officials
- Phase II will support more effective decisionmaking
- Finalized and in process of scheduling briefs for NCR Senior Policy Group (SPG), regional CAOs/EMAs, and FEMA/DHS HQ to obtain buyin on process/approach





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