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HSEEP Policy and Guidance

The Homeland Security Exercise and Evaluation Program (HSEEP) doctrine consists of fundamental principles that frame a common approach to exercises. Applying these principles to both the management of an exercise program and the execution of individual exercises is critical to the effective examination of capabilities.

- Guided by elected and appointed officials
- Capability-based, objective driven
- Progressive planning approach
- Whole community integration
- Informed by risk
- Common methodology

[Homeland Security Exercise and Evaluation Program \(HSEEP\) 2013](#)

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Select a phase of the exercise cycle to view related HSEEP templates.



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Exercise program management is an essential component of our national preparedness as it validates plans, tests operational capabilities, maintains and examines ways we utilize the whole community. Exercise program management involves a collaborative approach that engages organizations, and individuals in order to identify and achieve program priorities.

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Exercise design and development process. Exercise practitioners use the intent and guidance of their elected and appointed leadership to shape the key concepts and planning considerations for exercises. In designing and developing exercises, exercise planning team members are identified to schedule planning meetings, identify and develop exercise objectives, design and develop exercise conduct and evaluation, and coordinate logistics.

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activities essential to conducting exercises such as preparing for exercise play, managing exercise play, and conducting up activities. Throughout these efforts, the engagement of elected and appointed officials by practitioners will ensure that the guidance and intent of officials.

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cornerstone of an exercise and maintains the functional link between exercise and improvement planning. Through evaluations assess the capabilities needed to accomplish a mission, function, or objective. Effective exercise evaluation includes exercise evaluation, observing and collecting data during exercise conduct, analyzing data, and reporting exercise outcomes.

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