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## HICS Command Toolbox Enhances Hospital Emergency Response

FISHERS, INDIANA - December 16, 2009/PRESS RELEASE – When the Hospital Incident Command System is deployed, the HICS Command Toolbox is the first step for organizing an incident command situation in a hospital setting. The HICS Command Toolbox enhances a hospital's emergency response capability by providing the tools needed to perform HICS management procedures.

All of the supplies within the HICS Command Toolbox aid in simplified deployment of incident command procedures.

- ◀ **HICS Organization Chart Dry Erase Board** prominently displays 25 key leadership positions in the HICS hierarchy.
- ◀ Three complete sets of **HICS Job Action Sheets** and **HICS Forms** provide each shift with their own HICS documents.
- ◀ **Command & General Staff Vest Set** of 16 vests for each of the HICS Command and General Staff titles, three additional Medical/ Technical vests, and four blank vests for customized position identification.
- ◀ **HICS Pocket Guide** is a reference for Command Staff, with a template of all positions in the HICS hierarchy and a mission statement for each position.
- ◀ **Section Table Tents** provide quick identification of who is filling each HICS section leader role.

The HICS Command Toolbox is designed with Hospital Incident Command System goals and strategies in mind to enhance a hospital's emergency preparedness and response capability. More information is available at [www.dqeready.com/incidentsolutions](http://www.dqeready.com/incidentsolutions).

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See attached .jpg photograph: "HICS Command Toolbox"

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