

Lee County Florida ARES®

Training Bulletin: #12

Course: FEMA Professional Development Series

Date/Time (if applicable): ANYTIME

Location: ONLINE

Cost: FREE

ARES® Training Level: Level 1 (Optional), Level 2 (Optional) and Level 3 (Required)

<u>Description:</u> The Professional Development Series includes seven Emergency Management Institute independent study courses that provide a well-rounded set of fundamentals for those in the emergency management profession. After successfully completing all 7 required PDS courses through the Independent Study program, a PDS certificate is automatically issued via email to the email address provided on your last exam submission. The course will help you as the emergency communicator understand leadership roles as ARES members during an emergency or activation.

Prerequisites: NONE

<u>Registration Instructions:</u> The courses (IS-120, IS-230, IS-235, IS-240, IS-241, IS-242 and IS-244) are available online through the FEMA Management Institute website. Click on the "Interactive Web Based Course" words located under the heading TAKE THIS COURSE. Complete the online course's modules noting where you stop if you decide to break up the lessons into sections since the website will not remember where you last accessed the material. Once the material is completed you can take the exam by clicking on "Take Final Exam Online" and following the prompts to log in. Once you successfully complete each course, you will be notified via email and a link to your certificate will be provided.

Please remember to forward a copy of your certificate after successfully completing the course to your SERT Trac account, to the Lee County ARES[®] Administration Chief, and update your Taskbook.

<u>Additional Related, Follow-up or Advanced Courses:</u> IS-288 Role of Voluntary Agencies Emergency Management the emergency communicator with a basic understanding of the history, roles, and services of disaster relief voluntary agencies in providing disaster assistance.