

ISAC Spring Conference
March 10-11, 2022
ISAC Educational Seminars

Thursday, March 10

9:00 am - 10:15 am ISAC Educational Seminars

Healing Iowa: Overview of ACEs in Iowa and How to Respond – Meeting Room 302-303

Learn about Iowa research on adverse childhood experiences (ACEs) and how trauma impacts health and well-being. Reflect on factors that contribute to childhood trauma and explore ways to promote healing and resilience in your counties and engage in systems change efforts.

Speaker: Lisa Cushatt, LMSW, Executive Director, Iowa ACEs 360

The Ten Habits of Highly Effective Counties – Meeting Room 306-307

Sometimes, issues can get a little out of control and all your county seems to get done is “put out fires.” Then, perhaps, you may want to attend this workshop, to learn why some counties just don’t seem to “have their act together,” but other counties and their leaders have done some amazing things for their counties. The success that occurs in many outstanding counties does not just happen without effective leadership and careful planning. This workshop will focus on the “ten habits of highly effective counties” and how your county might benefit from their approach. Join us for a short presentation and a lively discussion on how your county can accomplish great things and get beyond those nasty “fires” in your county.

Speaker: Patrick Callahan, Callahan Municipal Consultants, LLC

Flood Monitoring, Forecasting, and Mapping with IFC and IDNR – Meeting Room 312-313

Thanks to the Iowa Legislature’s leadership and foresight in creating the Iowa Flood Center (IFC) in 2009, Iowans have access to the latest technology and resources to help them prepare for floods and become more resilient to their effects. The IFC puts science-based information and technology in the hands of Iowa’s decision-makers, emergency managers, home and business owners, and the public through the Iowa Flood Information System (IFIS) online platform. The presentation will focus on flood monitoring, forecasting, and mapping tools available through IFIS to help counties to understand and reduce their flood risks. Attendees will also learn about a new IFIS-like platform developed for the Missouri River following the 2019 floods, designed to help the region prepare for

future flooding. The Iowa Department of Natural Resources (INDR) will provide insight into the new pricing methodology under Risk Rating 2.0 and the impacts to policyholders and their communities across Iowa. On October 1st, 2021 FEMA implemented Risk Rating 2.0 and changed the way flood insurance rates are calculated. For over 50 years FEMA has determined flood insurance rates by which flood zone a structure is located on a Flood Insurance Rate Map. Risk Rating 2.0 FEMA aims to create a more individualized picture of a property's flood risk. The new pricing methodology will consider the distance to flooding sources, cost to rebuild, prior claims and many other variables. With this transformation, FEMA is striving to deliver rates that are actuarially sound, equitable and easier for policyholders to understand. Time will be reserved for questions and answers.

Speakers: Iowa Flood Center, Iowa Department of Natural Resources