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**TITLE** A FLOOD FROM UNDER THE HOSPITAL

**ABSTRACT** A FLOOD FROM UNDER THE HOSPITAL



With more than four inches of rain in less than four hours the community storm and sewer systems were overwhelmed. It was not a flash flood or rising creek, it was a flood from under the city as water fountained out of the sewer drains and storm drains around and inside the hospital. More than six inches of water left quickly, but the mess left in its wake covered more than 50,000 square feet of functioning hospital space. Responding to situations including agricultural chemical contamination, sewer waste and biological issues, the hospital was met with several challenges. Understanding that pre-planning is important, but understanding where to pre-plan is critical. Having MOU's is great, but understanding the limitations of those vendors is vital. This session will share the lessons learned from the night the waters flooded from under the hospital as well as the days, weeks and months afterward.

**Learning Objectives:** By attending this session, participants will be better able to develop:

1. Additional methods in Emergency Response around water and other challenges that arise.
2. Increased understanding of risks in a seemingly small emergency.
3. Improved awareness of vendor limitations and expertise.

Kevin Webb serves as Regional Director for Emergency Management, Environment of Care & Safety for Medxcel. Focused on programs for more than 20 hospitals and 150 care centers Kevin brings more than 22 years of experience in healthcare Safety, Emergency Management and Facilities Management with a variety of experience including Safety and Facility leadership, Active Shooter, role specific Emergency Management training and education, and response to drills and actual events across the healthcare industry. Serving as a consultant for many years and published in leading industry Journals, Kevin is a well-known advocate for Emergency Management and speaker/teacher in Indiana and other Midwest states. Kevin also holds, among other certifications, Certified Healthcare Manager, Certified Healthcare Facility Manager and Certified Healthcare Safety Professional.