Lessons Learned Information Sharing (LLIS) Program
Consolidation Q&A 2015

GENERAL QUESTIONS

What changed with the Lessons Learned Information Sharing (*LLIS.gov*) website?
We are pleased to announce that Federal Emergency Management Agency's Lessons Learned Information Sharing (LLIS) program has completed the consolidation of content previously available on *LLIS.gov* with the Naval Postgraduate School's Homeland Security Digital Library (HSDL.org). As part of the consolidation effort, nearly 23,000 documents were transferred to HSDL.org. We believe this consolidation will improve the whole community's access to valuable information. Some of our most recent LLIS products include Hazard and Core Capability Trend Analyses, Grant Case Studies, and Lessons Learned and Innovative Practices. They can now be found by clicking here. Additionally, you can access information on the LLIS program and find links to these documents on FEMA.gov.

When will the consolidation be completed?
Consolidation efforts were completed in September 2015.

What is HSDL?
HSDL stands for the Homeland Security Digital Library and can be accessed at HSDL.org. The HSDL is a collection of documents related to homeland security policy, strategy, and organizational management that are carefully selected by a team of librarians and content specialists. Sponsored by FEMA and the Naval Postgraduate School's Center for Homeland Defense and Security, the public collection includes over 68,000 public documents.

How will the consolidation to HSDL.org benefit me?
One of the advantages of this move is that *LLIS.gov* content from state and local responders—such as lessons learned and innovative practice documents, after-action reports, plans, templates, guides, and other materials—were consolidated with the already substantial database on HSDL.org. This consolidation allows the homeland security and emergency management communities to find relevant information in one place.

If I submitted content to *LLIS.gov* but do not want it transferred to HSDL, what should I do?
If you submitted content to *LLIS.gov* that you would like removed from HSDL.org, email FEMA-lessonslearned@fema.dhs.gov. Please note that documents on HSDL.org will have similar security restrictions to *LLIS.gov*.

Where will I be able to find the Authorized Equipment List (AEL)?
The AEL is available by visiting http://beta.fema.gov/authorized-equipment-list.
The site includes an Excel file that contains the entire list and can be downloaded.
The web-based version of the AEL is searchable by keyword and by category/sub-category. Each equipment item listing includes an item description, a list of grant programs under which the item is allowable, and notes on the purchase of the item with grant funds. The AEL contains descriptions of product types rather than specific commercially available products from specific vendors.

Where will I be able to find content from the Mitigation Best Practices page?
The Mitigation Best Practices Portfolio page can be found by clicking here.

Where will I be able to find content from the Responder Knowledge Base (RKB)?
The RKB was decommissioned in September 2013, and its content was moved to FirstResponder.gov. Only the documents supporting the Project 25 (P25) Compliance Assessment Program and historical documents from the Integrated Public Alert and Warning System conformance program were consolidated with HSDL.org. The repository for P25 documentation is now available on the FirstResponder.gov website.

Where will I be able to find content from the Chemical Facility Safety and Security Page?
The Chemical Facility Safety and Security Best Practice Forum formerly hosted by *LLIS.gov* will be relocated to here. The new Best Practice webpage is currently under development and will be available for viewing soon. Best Practice submissions are still being accepted. To request a Best Practice submission template, please email EO.chemical@hq.dhs.gov.

Can I submit documents to HSDL.org like I previously submitted to *LLIS.gov*? If so, how?
HSDL welcomes new submissions. To submit a document, please email hsdlref@nps.edu. The HSDL team recommends submitting the following types of resources:

- State policy documents including draft copies
- Reports and evaluations
- Lessons learned or after action reports
- Best practices
- Links to websites
- Newsletters

All submissions to HSDL.org are subject to review.

TECHNICAL QUESTIONS

Will I need a username and password to view content previously on *LLIS.gov*?
The content transferred to HSDL.org will maintain a similar level of accessibility as *LLIS.gov*. Documents that required a username and password to view on *LLIS.gov* will also require a username and password on HSDL.org. While your *LLIS.gov* log-in credentials do not transfer, you can easily create a new HSDL account by visiting the HSDL.org login page. Please note, some content is available without a password. To search for publicly available documents, visit HSDL.org and use the search bar function on the homepage.

Where can I find LLIS content on FEMA.gov?
Please visit: https://www.fema.gov/Lessons-Learned-Information-Sharing-Program

Where can I find content previously on *LLIS.gov* on the HSDL.org system?
To search for publicly available documents, visit HSDL.org and use the search bar function on the homepage to access content. For access to additional *LLIS.gov* documents, register for a HSDL.org account.

Will I still be able to access/use my channels on the Homeland Security Exercise and Evaluation Program platform?
This feature will no longer be available. Users can request specific data by emailing FEMA-lessonslearned@fema.dhs.gov.

Can international applicants access content previously on *LLIS.gov*?
All content on the new LLIS page on FEMA.gov will be publicly accessible. For content transferred to HSDL.org, users from foreign governments should visit the HSDL.org login page for more information on the application process.

If I have additional questions, whom should I contact?
For additional information or questions, please email FEMA-lessonslearned@fema.dhs.gov.