



## JESIP HITS THE ROAD RUNNING

**JESIP - the Joint Emergency Services Interoperability Programme - has hit the road running in 2014.**

The first courses in the largest and most ambitious joint training programme ever undertaken by the three blue light services have already taken place in West Yorkshire, Norfolk and Suffolk, West Midlands and Kent with other areas across the country close on their heels.

So far, over 1600 have signed up for JESIP training and in the next nine months many thousands of operational and tactical commanders from the three emergency services will be trained in the JESIP doctrine.

Eventually, all operational ambulance, police and fire personnel plus the many other organisations from the wider response and resilience community will be exposed to one of the JESIP training products (see later in the newsletter).

Work is also underway to develop a training package for control room personnel.

**The “Joint Doctrine: The Interoperability Framework”**

is the basis of JESIP training. It was agreed last autumn and has been widely distributed. It can be found on the website - [www.jesip.org.uk](http://www.jesip.org.uk)

An 11-minute DVD explaining JESIP and featuring the Home Secretary and the three ambulance, police and fire strategic leads, has been completed and will be used to introduce each training course across the country.

A shorter version can be viewed on the JESIP website and will be distributed to all 105 blue light services and a number of other relevant organisations.

In addition to the website and DVDs, we are now launching JESIP News which we will publish monthly or more frequently if required. We hope you find this first edition interesting and useful and don't hesitate to send us your feedback and ideas for future editions to JESIP senior communications advisor David Jervis ([davidjervis3@gmail.com](mailto:davidjervis3@gmail.com)) or JESIP engagement manager Joy Flanagan ([joy.flanagan@cfoa.org.uk](mailto:joy.flanagan@cfoa.org.uk)).

## BLAZING THE TRAIL

**Blazing the JESIP training trail have been the areas of West Yorkshire and Norfolk combined with Suffolk.**

They began delivering JESIP training courses before the end of last year and have now trained over 250 personnel on the operational and tactical commander courses.

Feedback has been very encouraging. “My first session as a JESIP trainer was really positive and the candidates threw themselves into the concept. The fact that it was just a couple of days after the tragic police helicopter crash in Glasgow, provided a real focus and brought home the reality of the challenges we all face as Commanders and the importance of working together to save lives and reduce harm” said Inspector Matt Rose, from Suffolk Police.

“Well done and thank you to everyone involved in those two areas. Your enthusiasm and commitment to the aims of JESIP are an example to everyone” said Steve Wheaton, Deputy Senior Responsible Officer for the programme.



These two areas are already planning their validation exercises in March. Two exercises in each of the 11 ambulance regions (including Wales) will be held before the end of August to test the impact of the training.

### Footnote

The West Yorkshire area comprises Yorkshire Ambulance Service NHS Trust together with West Yorkshire police and fire and rescue services.

Norfolk and Suffolk area is the local police and fire and rescue services together with East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust

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- Learn about why JESIP is so important by watching the JESIP film
- Read our latest updates with the JESIP news stories and our Twitter feed
- See when we will be out and about through the JESIP diary
- Download a copy of the Joint Doctrine, the foundation for our training programmes and more (in Welsh too!)

- Meet the JESIP team
- Contact us via the online form

### Coming soon...

- An online forum for our JESIP Trainers and Delivery Leads
- Further information and details about the JESIP training products and awareness packages

## JESIP HELPS WITH THOSE COURSE BOOKINGS....

JESIP is providing access to a central system that will ease the burden of course coordination, sending joining instructions and also allow JESIP to collate training statistics at the same time.

Regonline is a web based booking system that follows a simple process:

- Services provide details of all training dates, venues, training teams and venue details for joining instructions to [jesip@NARU.org.uk](mailto:jesip@NARU.org.uk)
- All of this information is loaded into the system by our Regonline Coordinator, James Vaudrey
- The service coordinator or administrator is emailed a link to Regonline to allow registration of candidates
- The service coordinator / administrator can then do one of the following:
  - provide us with a list of candidates against course dates which we will upload for them
  - follow the link provided to register all candidates using the Group Bookings option (this means one person can register all candidates from any given service)
- Once registration is complete, each candidate is sent joining instructions prior to their course along with a link to the pre-course learning materials (Research Portfolio) which candidates must have access to 6 weeks prior to training
- Candidates should send completed research portfolios to their service coordinator / administrator

The Regonline Coordinator (James) will remind candidates 7 days prior to their course that Research Portfolios need to be returned via email to [jesip@NARU.org.uk](mailto:jesip@NARU.org.uk)

### Some useful Regonline tips:

- Use the Venue Booking Form to make sure you include everything that needs to go on the Joining Instructions for candidates
- When you are registering candidates onto course dates, you do not need to register the trainers as their details will be pre-loaded with the venue details and date
- The Group Bookings option is available as you reach the end of booking the first candidate, look for the "Group Booking" button which is located next to the "Continue" button on the registration screen
- When returning completed research portfolios for the trainers, please could you:
  - ensure that the date of the course is within the subject of e-mail
  - Attach the research portfolios but ensure the candidates name and service are within the file name to help us easily identify them

If you have any queries with using Regonline, please contact James Vaudrey at NARU who is providing support to JESIP and the Regonline system. He can be contacted via email [jesip@NARU.org.uk](mailto:jesip@NARU.org.uk) or on the phone 01980 619567.

**More information will be on the website soon and in the next newsletter.**

## TODAY'S TOP TRAINING TIP

**"Trainers, it is becoming increasingly clear that injecting local examples of responses to major or complex incidents into your training does improve participation and understanding"**

Brian Welsh, JESIP implementation and support officer

## PARTNERS IN CRISIS

While the main focus of JESIP has been on joint working between the ambulance, police and fire services, the crucial role played by many other organisations in managing crisis is fully recognised.

Some services, including HM Coastguard and British Transport Police, have been included in core training; others are invited to observe on training courses; and a wider awareness e-learning package is being prepared in partnership with the Civil Contingencies Secretariat (CCS) in the Cabinet Office for use by the whole resilience community.

Members of the JESIP team have attended meetings with resilience forums and other bodies and are always ready and willing to attend relevant events to inform audiences of JESIP's progress and answer questions.



## POLICE TABARDS

**JESIP has procured incident commander tabards for use by every police service in England and Wales.**

This followed consistent recommendations highlighting the difficulty in identifying the police officer in charge at an incident.

Consistent with the design of the other emergency services, police tabards are white, signifying command. While compliant with police uniform regulations, these are not designed to be high visibility clothing and will be worn over existing personal protective equipment (PPE).

Tabard designs have been tested in pilot areas with feedback from users considered in deciding on the new design. The tabards will be delivered to each police service in early April 2014.

# JESIP TRAINING

JESIP exists solely to develop and ensure delivery of a massive training programme specifically designed to improve how emergency services work together in the early stages of major and complex incidents.

To achieve this, JESIP has developed a variety of training products in partnership with the College of Policing, Fire Service College, National Ambulance Resilience Unit (NARU) and the Emergency Planning College.

At first, JESIP was all about joint operational and tactical commander training by the three emergency services but recognition of the crucial support offered in major incidents by others has resulted in a number of agencies, such as HM Coastguard, British Transport Police and the Civil Nuclear Constabulary, being included in the priority commander training.

And, as referred to elsewhere in this newsletter, a wider awareness e-learning package is being prepared specifically for the many other organisations in the wider resilience community.

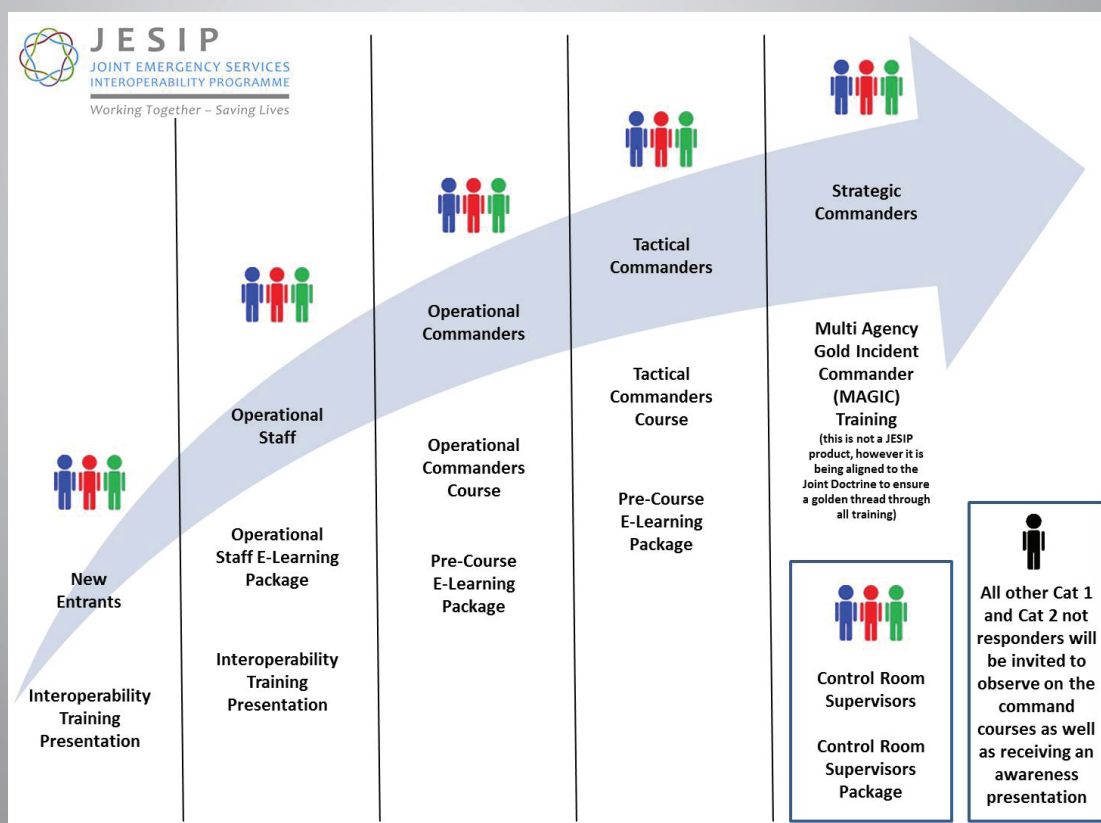
The various JESIP training products and courses (illustrated below) are aimed at embedding critical aspects of interoperability relevant to the individual's

role - for instance, the commander courses focus heavily on the use of the Joint Decision Model whereas the other products and packages will enforce the use of the mnemonic METHANE as the preferred method of gaining shared situational awareness.

"An incredible amount of work has been undertaken to create a suite of products

in order to support and embed the core principles of interoperability in business as usual for all relevant organisations and services.

"It is important to remind everyone that this intensive training programme does not end in the autumn but will be maintained into the foreseeable future" said Carl Daniels, JESIP ambulance senior user.



## WHAT FOLLOWS JESIP?

**As the JESIP training gathers pace, another crucial element is receiving increasing attention: What follows JESIP?**

Ensuring that the JESIP training continues beyond the end of the two-year project and is embedded in how emergency services and other organisations respond to major incidents is paramount.

Steps taken towards agreeing the JESIP legacy arrangements have included discussions at the JESIP Programme Board and a workshop attended by representatives from a variety of government departments and responder organisations.

The next stage of the process is a presentation and discussion at the JESIP Strategic Board before proposals are submitted to Ministers for approval.

**Legacy arrangements are being organised into four tranches:**

- Doctrine
- Training
- Testing and Exercising
- Joint Organisational Learning

The first two tranches will continue to build strong foundations for interoperability.

The third tranche, Testing and Exercising, will systematically test the training through local and national major incident exercises, identifying areas for development. The fourth tranche, Joint Organisational Learning, is all about identifying and learning lessons from major incidents and exercises and driving change back through services.