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Mr. McCartan is a graduate of D'Youville College in Buffalo, NY with a BS in Nursing 1987, and a MS in Community Health Nursing 2000 (Community Health - Clinical Nurse Specialist). He graduated from The U.S. Naval War College with a Command and Staff Diploma in National Security Studies in 2005. His clinical experience includes serving as an ER Staff and Charge Nurse; Nurse Educator; Oncology Department Nurse Manager; and as a Hospice Nurse.

In his current role, his primary focus is on assisting the healthcare facilities and entities in the region in all areas of emergency preparedness and disaster response. This includes teaching staff how to treat victims of a CBRNE event or other disaster and assisting in meeting the requirements from both the NYSDOH and other accrediting bodies. He has frequent interaction with multiple healthcare organizations in the region, as well as coordinating and facilitating regional meetings with parties in WNY including governmental, Law Enforcement, Emergency Management, Fire and EMS services. He has served as an evaluator and/or designer for emergency preparedness exercises at the local, regional, and statewide level. He is a legislatively appointed member of the Erie County Disaster Preparedness Advisory Board, is the Immediate Past Chairman of the Erie County Local Emergency Planning Committee, and is a member of the Niagara County LEPC. Additionally, he is a Steering Committee Member and the Mass Fatality Sub-committee (Co-Chair) for the Metropolitan Medical Response System in WNY. In November 2012, he was appointed by Governor Cuomo to serve on the NYS READY Commission that was tasked with preparing networks, systems (including healthcare) and structures to withstand a major weather event. This Commission was one of three created in the wake of Superstorm Sandy.

Mr. McCartan teaches several FEMA courses including Incident Command; WMD Standardized Awareness Level Training; and the Hospital Emergency Response Team Training for WMD Multiple Casualty Incidents. He has completed multiple courses through FEMA's Emergency Management Institute and the Office of Domestic Preparedness; the International Critical Incident Stress Foundation; and other agencies involved in disaster preparedness and emergency management. He is a retired Commander in the US Navy where he served as a Clinical Nurse Specialist, Nurse Manager/Director, and Academic Instructor. He held every leadership position at the unit level; served at the World Trade Center Site after 9-11-01 as a member of the New York Naval Militia; and was recalled to active duty in support of Operations Enduring Freedom/Iraqi Freedom. Prior to his retirement, CDR McCartan served as the Executive Officer of a Joint Service Medical Humanitarian Mission to Africa working for the Commander, US Army Europe. Mr. McCartan is a former Volunteer Firefighter/EMT and is currently the Deputy Disaster Coordinator in his hometown, West Seneca, NY, where he has been involved with the Boy Scouts of America as a youth and leader for 40 years.