



## KENTUCKY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

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# Kentucky Emergency Management (KYEM) Webinar

## September 18, 2024- Virtual Media (Zoom®)

### 2:00 PM EST

**Webinar Title:** *The Kentucky Qualification System (KQS) Credentialing for Local Partners*

**Description:** Empower your local emergency response agency by joining our compelling webinar on the importance of Kentucky Qualification System (KQS) credentialing through Kentucky Emergency Management (KYEM). A voluntary program, the overall strategic goal of KQS is to establish and maintain credentialed personnel for Incident Management Teams (IMTs) and Emergency Operation Center (EOC) Assistance Teams that can assist within the Commonwealth, or outside the state, in response to disasters, incidents, and planned events.

Discover how this credentialing can elevate your agency's capabilities, enhance your team's skills, and ensure your agency meets national standards for emergency response. KQS credentialing can improve your agency's preparedness, interoperability, and overall effectiveness in managing emergencies.

In this webinar, you'll learn what KQS is, how to start the application process, and why it's important to an individual, an organization, the local community, and the Commonwealth. KQS credentialing can validate your expertise, enhance your credentials, and make you a recognized leader in the field. Register today and take the first step towards becoming KQS qualified!

**Special Notes:** Advance student registration is **REQUIRED** and must be received by **September 13, 2024**. You are considered accepted as a student in this class upon receipt of your application. Once you have registered you will be sent the link to log in.

**Registration:** [https://forms.logiforms.com/formdata/user\\_forms/25701\\_7726379/94169](https://forms.logiforms.com/formdata/user_forms/25701_7726379/94169)  
Students will be notified if the course is canceled. For this reason, it is imperative that you provide accurate contact information.

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## CSEPP-KYEM Wednesday Webinar Featured Speaker Biography



**Dr. Charles K. Harris,**  
**Kentucky Qualification**  
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Charles "Charlie" Harris started work at KYEM in October of 2022, to help guide the implementation of the National Qualification System, or NQS, in the Commonwealth of Kentucky. This initiative was subsequently called the Kentucky

Qualification System or KQS. Prior to joining the KYEM Team, Charlie served 37 years in the Kentucky Army National Guard as an Intelligence Officer, receiving two Bronze Stars, Combat Action Badge, and the Legion of Merit among other recognitions. Charlie is a graduate of Transylvania University, the National Intelligence University, the University of Charleston, and the University of Kentucky. His doctoral research, in part, examined the acquisition and importance of soft skills to success in the workplace. He is married to Megan, a pastor, and has three children.

**Website:** <https://kyem.ky.gov/programs/Pages/Kentucky-Qualification-System.aspx>