



In 2004, Catskill Hudson AHEC presented its first **EMS Leadership Academy**, which was a two-part, professional development workshop for EMS captains, officers, and others in or about to be placed in a position of leadership. In 2011, under the guidance of the Development Committee, the program name was changed to the **Emergency Responder Leadership Academy** to better reflect the evolution of the program's expanding focus and growing audience.

Throughout the years, this program has continued to develop unique learning experiences presented by skilled leaders in emergency response. Topics continue to focus on professional development in areas that are critical to every emergency services long-term success, such as, administration, supervision, recruitment and retention, public relations, budgeting, service excellence, strategic planning, communication, advocacy, and safety, as well as changing agency roles and preparedness for future challenges.

The Emergency Responder Leadership Academy is now a collaborative Area Health Education Center partnership, combining the strengths of Catskill Hudson AHEC, Central New York AHEC, Hudson-Mohawk AHEC, and Northern AHEC, reinforcing our mission to continue to meet the educational needs of the Emergency Responder Leadership workforce.

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