



New York City
Office of Emergency Management



Continuity of Operations Planning

The New York City Continuity of Operations program standardizes the planning process for City agencies to restore and maintain essential public services in the event of an emergency.

In October, 2007, Mayor Bloomberg signed an executive order mandating that City agencies use standardized planning methods to develop continuity of operations (COOP) plans. These plans identify public services and resources that must be functioning within 12 hours of an interruption.

OEM has formed a COOP community for the 43 participating City agencies, to guide agency representatives through the development and maintenance of these plans. OEM also holds regular working groups for New York City agency representatives. The COOP network encourages communication and resource sharing among agencies.