

## FROM THE FLOOD TO THE FLU: COPING WITH NATURAL DISASTER

A SYMPOSIUM AT THE NATIONAL DEFENSE UNIVERSITY  
NATIONAL CENTER FOR CRITICAL INCIDENT ANALYSIS

25 OCTOBER 2005

Dinner at the National War College

Two perspectives on Hurricane Katrina  
Bruce Shapiro and Horace “Topper” Thompson

26 OCTOBER 2005

Introduction: Lessons for the pandemic from the hurricane  
Steve Prior and Ford Rowan

Media/psychosocial panel. Led by Steve Gorelick

Government/military panel. Led by Robert Armstrong

Breakouts beginning at lunch:

- a. Lessons for government
- b. Lessons for media and health organizations

Breakouts continue after lunch

Reports from Breakouts. Discussion of alternatives. Decision on next steps.

### DESIRED OUTCOMES

Articulate actionable options for society, government, private sector, media and individuals. What can we do to protect ourselves?

### PARTICIPANTS (invited)

Robert Armstrong, NDU  
Don Thompson, NDU  
Tim Stephens  
Chris Logan, National Governors Conference  
Rick Murphy

Dora Hughes, legislative aide to Sen Obama.  
Jim Michie, former US Customs Bureau  
Mike Putzel, journalist  
Phil Evans, former managing editor, Washington Star  
Spencer Hsu, Washington Post  
Phil Hallon, MD., U of Pittsburg  
Horace "Topper" Thompson, nominee for OSHA Review Board  
Sarah Landry, National Vaccine Program Office  
Lucy Caldwell, VA Dept of Health  
Major General Donna Barbisch  
Michael McDonald, Global Health Initiative  
Shelley Hearne, Trust for American health  
Roger Simpson, Dart Center for Journalism and Trauma  
Steve Gorelick, City University of NY

Plus Executive Committee members:

Frank Ochberg,  
Steve Prior,  
Peter Huessey,  
Kirk Lewis,  
Charles Link,  
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