

JILL McELWEE

CHIEF (FIRE) (RET.) / RN

INSTRUCTOR, NCIER



PROFILE

JILL McELWEE retired as District Chief from Jacksonville Fire & Rescue Department after 30 years in the field. She launched her fire service career in 1989 at the Jacksonville International Airport as an EMT/ aircraft rescue firefighter. Jill earned her paramedic certification and eventually a nursing degree while obtaining a Master's level status in aircraft rescue firefighting. Then in 2001, with Jacksonville Fire & Rescue Department, Jill quickly earned her way through the ranks from firefighter/paramedic to District and Division Chief of Training.

Jill is a strong advocate for continuing education and uses her background in fire and rescue, and nursing at a Level 1 Trauma center, to ensure adequate, innovative, and realistic training is delivered.

Jill also holds a bachelor's degree in Public Administration and a Master's degree in security studies, specializing in homeland security.



EXPERIENCE

C3 Pathways, Inc.

Oviedo, Florida, 2021 - Current

INSTRUCTOR

Jill brings her 30 years of fire, emergency response, and medical expertise to the active shooter management courses. She uses her innovative teaching style to lead a conducive classroom and simulation hands-on training environment.

www.c3pathways.com

Garner-ES Disaster Response

Houston, TX, 2021 - Current

INCIDENT MANAGEMENT TEAM / PREPAREDNESS COORDINATOR

Jill serves in multiple Command and general staff positions across the nation for Garner's response team. She is responsible for maintaining current qualifications and training for all team members to ensure readiness and All-Hazard response utilizing NIMS/IC principles.

www.garner-es.com

Emergency Response Educators & Consultants, Inc.

Ocala, FL, 2020 - Current

INCIDENT MANAGEMENT TEAM MEMBER

Jill serves in Command and General Staff ICS positions on Incident Management Team. She maintains a current knowledge base of NIMS and works in multi-discipline, multi-agency, multi-jurisdictional environments through all phases of emergency management.

www.erecinc.com

Interagency Readiness Solutions, LLC

St Augustine, FL, 2017 - 2024

FACILITATOR

Jill delivers multiple courses and exercises related to Army Emergency Management. She also facilitates courses delivered both on campus at the Regional Training Institute at Camp Blanding as well as on-site at installations around the globe.

www.irsolutions-llc.com

Jacksonville Fire & Rescue Dept

Jacksonville, FL, 1989 - 2019

DISTRICT CHIEF

Jill earned her way through the ranks from firefighter/ paramedic to District and Division Chief. She held positions in fire and emergency medical response as well as roles in the County Division of Emergency Management.

www.myjfrd.com

UF Health Trauma Center / Baptist Cancer Institute

Jacksonville, FL, 1989 - 2008

REGISTERED NURSE

Jill provided direct patient care at the Level 1 trauma center while teaching various emergency medical courses around the state.

www.ufhealth.org

*"Tell me and I forget, teach me and I may remember,
involve me and I learn."*

- Benjamin Franklin

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KNOWLEDGE & SKILLS

Fire, EMS, and Emergency Response	★★★★★	30 years of fire and EMS experience from registered nurse to District Chief. Jill spent 17 years as an Aircraft Rescue Firefighter.
Incident Management	★★★★★	Member of the State of Florida Incident Management Team. Fill and teach all Command and General staff positions. Disaster deployment including Covid-19 and Hurricanes Katrina, Helene and Milton.
Training and Instruction	★★★★★	25+ years teaching and training. Developed and delivered innovative training for Jacksonville Fire & Rescue. Taught various emergency medical courses as a nurse. Exercise Director for JAX International Airport.
Emergency Management	★★★★★	10+ years working in various roles in local, county, and state Emergency Management Divisions. Familiar with all aspects of Emergency Operations Center as well as being versed in grant program management.
Disaster Exercises (HSEEP)	★★★★★	Numerous exercise designs and evaluations including Jacksonville International Airport Triennial Full Scale Exercise; US Army Functional and Full Scale installation-wide exercises.

SPECIALITIES

- ★ NIMS/ICS
- ★ Mass Casualty Incidents
- ★ Professional Speaker
- ★ Instructor III
- ★ Registered Nurse
- ★ Firefighter / Paramedic (FL)
- ★ Homeland Security Exercise and Evaluation Program (HSEEP)
- ★ Emergency Management
- ★ Grant Program Management
- ★ BLS/ACLS/Pals AHA Instructor
- ★ Trauma Nursing Core
- ★ Curriculum (TNCC) Instructor

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

NIMS Certifications

IS-100, 120, 130, 139, 200, 230,
235, 240, 241, 244, 775, 800
Instructor qualified in all

National Domestic Preparedness Consortium (NDPC)

Instructor Certificate
PER 353, PER 352

Author

Thesis: *Taking a Regional Healthcare Coalition Approach to Mitigating Mass Casualties and Pandemic Events*
Cited in numerous local and state Healthcare Coalition guidelines

Deployments

Incident Commander
FL Monoclonal Antibody Site,
FL FDEM Regional IMT Vaccination
Response, Federal Covid-19 Community
Based Testing Sites, FL FDEM Covid-19
Passenger Screening

Health & Medical Branch Director
Hurricanes Dorian & Irma

Ambulance Strike Team Leader
Hurricanes Katrina & Charley

Planning Section Chief
Hurricane Ivan & '07 Flood Event Florida
Region 3

Logistics Section Chief
Hurricanes Helene & Milton
State of Florida Type 1 LSA Ocala, FL