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Josh is the Director of Emergency Preparedness for Lehigh Valley Health Network. Josh earned a Bachelor of Arts in Emergency and Disaster Management from American Public University in 2014 and Master of Business Administration with a concentration in Healthcare Management from Western Governors University in 2022. Josh is board certified through the ANCC as a National Healthcare Disaster Professional, through the IBFCSM as a Certified Healthcare Emergency Professional, and through the IBSC as a certified Flight Paramedic. He has over 26 years of combined emergency services and volunteer fire service experience, with 16 years of experience as a Paramedic.

Josh has worked for the Lehigh Valley Health Network Emergency Preparedness department for over ten years and currently holds the position of Director. During this time, in addition to other large projects, he has taken the lead on planning, executing, and debriefing exercises across all the campuses with a wide range of scenarios and delivery methods. He has also worked with many external partners to develop and execute drills both on Lehigh Valley Health Network campuses and remote community locations.

In addition to his role at Lehigh Valley, Josh serves as the chair of the Southern Zone of the Northeast Pennsylvania Health Care Coalition. Josh supports the Lehigh Valley region as a FEMA-qualified Medical Specialist on the Lehigh County Special Operations Team and Pennsylvania Company 3 Urban Search and Rescue (US&R) Team. Further, Josh is volunteers on the Pennsylvania State Medical Assistance Team, and is an intermittent employee of the US HHS National Disaster Medical System, serving as a Health Technician (Paramedic) on PA DMAT-4. Josh also volunteers with the Lower Macungie Fire Department where he holds the role of Captain.

In his free time, Josh enjoys spending time with his wife of 15 years and his three children ages 6, 10, and 11. During baseball season Josh is found on the ball field with his oldest son serving as a coach for the team and enjoying sharing with the younger generation his love of baseball.