

PROFESSIONAL BIOGRAPHY BRIEF

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Dr. Nicholas O'Clair is a healthcare and emergency management professional with extensive experience in disaster response, healthcare operations, and community resilience. As a member of the Ambulatory Readiness Team at Brigham and Women's Hospital, he focuses on emergency preparedness, regulatory compliance, and patient safety across ambulatory practices, ensuring operational resilience during crises.

Previously, Dr. O'Clair served as a Recovery Services Program Manager with the American Red Cross, leading disaster response and recovery efforts at local, state, and national levels. His leadership was pivotal in major relief efforts, including the Ukraine Medical Supply/Humanitarian Support mission, COVID-19 Community Medical Support, and response efforts for hurricanes, wildfires, and mass casualty incidents.

Dr. O'Clair holds a PhD in Epidemiology and Population Health Equity, with research centered on climate change-related illness among the unhoused population in Boston. His work highlights the intersection of public health, emergency preparedness, and healthcare accessibility.

In addition to his hospital role, he has contributed to policy development for disaster response, collaborated on community resilience initiatives, and led training programs to enhance healthcare system preparedness. His expertise is dedicated to strengthening healthcare infrastructure and protecting vulnerable populations in the face of evolving public health challenges.