Rising Trends That can Impact

Emergency Preparedness in Healthcare

healthcare worker safety?

Are you ready for the future of

Some of what's to come is predictable, such as an increase in elderly patients as the Baby Boomer generation continues to enter old age. But you may be surprised by the other factors that could pose a threat to the safety of your entire healthcare organization.

See which of today's healthcare workplace safety trends point to potential hurdles on the horizon.



Healthcare is unprepared for a severe weather surge

Over the last 10 years, there has been an average increase

in frequency of natural disasters, costing on average billion per event



Severe weather events are reported to be the second most common incident to hit healthcare facilities within the last two years.

found that only never ran drills

Despite the forecast, a survey of healthcare emergency managers



weather drill once a year

held a severe

inclement weather

to prepare for

Less than half (43%) of of healthcare

But severe weather drills and better preparation is clearly needed.



nurses that participated in an emergency simulation said they felt prepared to face a disaster.

systems involved met all compliance requirements set by The Joint Commission.

Staff shortages are likely

short-staffed during emergencies. of personnel were either unwilling or In a study, between

Healthcare organizations may find themselves

10-30%

unable to report to work in various disaster scenarios, such as tornadoes, flooding or extreme winter weather.





positions.

As these employees reach retirement, healthcare systems may have trouble filling their open

of actively licensed providers are

Registered nurses

over the age of 60.

Between now and 2024, hospitals are expected to see

the lowest job growth at 6%.

1 million nurses needed by

with over

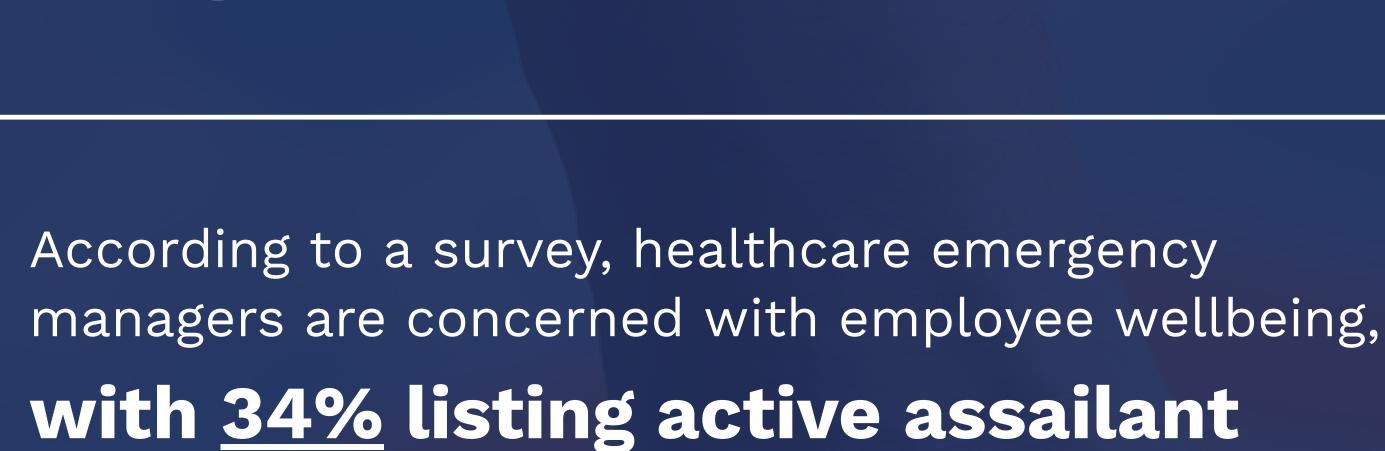
are in high demand,

2022.



healthcare setting, employees accounted for 20% of the victims.

Employee safety is at risk



According to a survey, healthcare emergency

In a study of shooting incidents in a

incidents as their top safety concern. But in the same survey, only of respondents

assailant drills once a year.

These events don't always unfold as expected, which means you need

to be prepared for every possible scenario. For example, of shootings took place outside on the grounds of the healthcare facility, not in

said they only

run active

29%

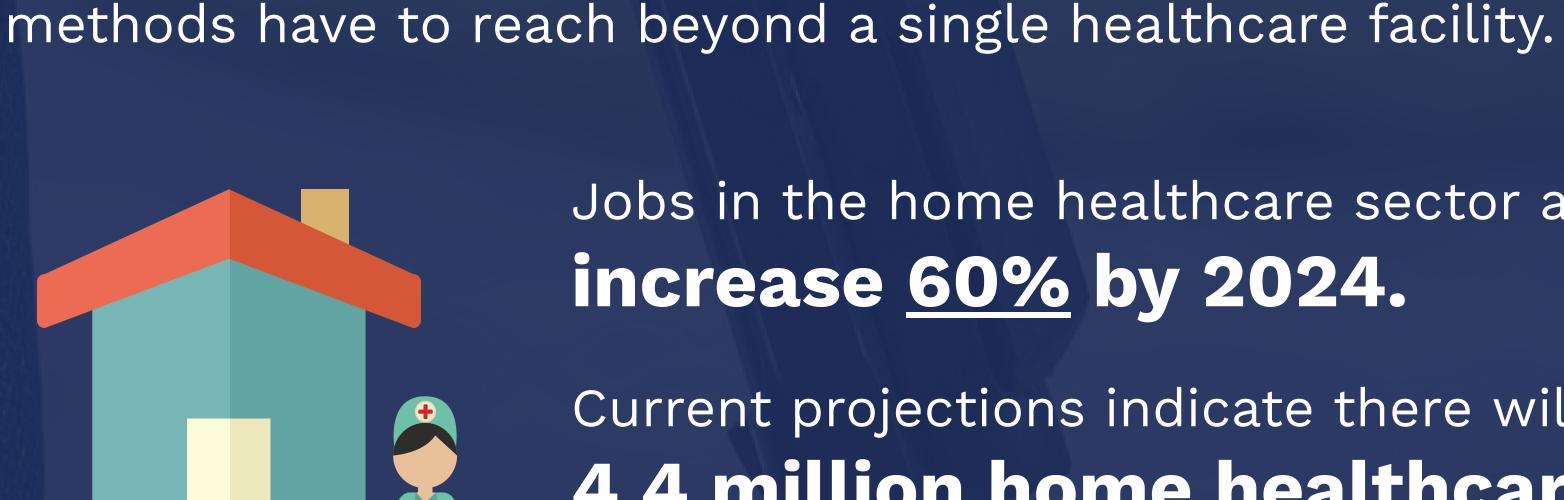
had never even

had an active

assailant drill.

More employees are working remotely which means protection

the building itself.



Jobs in the home healthcare sector are expected to increase <u>60%</u> by 2024.

Current projections indicate there will be more than

4.4 million home healthcare aids by 2028.

How can you prepare for these threats before they strike your healthcare organization?

Learn how running safety drills can help protect staff and patients from the most common emergencies.

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