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**NYC EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT'S LATEST 'PREP TALK' PODCAST:
2020 COMMUNITY PREPAREDNESS SYMPOSIUM**

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January 10, 2020 — Our neighbors, our friends, and our community will get us through an emergency. On the latest episode of “[Prep Talk](#),” hosts Allison Pennisi and Justin Bennett sit down with Dr. Daniel P. Aldrich, director of security and resilience studies at Northeastern University, and the keynote speaker for NYC Emergency Management’s 2020 Community Preparedness Symposium: *Bridging the Gap to Communities*. During the episode, Dr. Aldrich discusses how social ties within neighborhoods increase resilience in the face of disaster. How a connected community can help everyone, regardless of ability or available resources, survive and recover from an emergency.

NYC Emergency Management hosts an annual community preparedness symposium to provide information, share best practices and gather input about how communities can support those with disabilities and others with access and functional needs before, during, and after an emergency.

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Profiles

Daniel P. Aldrich, Ph.D. is director of the security and resilience studies program and professor in political science and public policy at Northeastern University in Boston. Aldrich has published five books, including *Building Resilience* and *Black Wave*, more than 50 peer-reviewed articles, and written op-eds for the New York Times, CNN, and many other media outlets. He has spent more than five years in India, Japan, and Africa carrying out fieldwork, and his work has been funded by the Fulbright Foundation, the Abe Foundation, and the Japan Foundation, among other institutions.

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