# PROCESS REVIEW: EVENT TOPIC DEVELOPMENT

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<th>All Skill Events:</th>
<th>Scenarios are developed for each event to fit selected skills. Scenarios are designed to be as realistic as possible, with the inclusion of a critical thinking component.</th>
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<td>Emergency Preparedness:</td>
<td><strong>Public Health</strong>&lt;br&gt;Specific topic selection will be based on a category announced annually. Teams create an effective public health presentation to educate the public on the chosen topic.</td>
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| Leadership: | **Extemporaneous Health Poster**<br>Event requires that competitor analyze and interpret current health issues or HOSA topic. At the start of the event, the competitor is given the secret topic with related supporting materials, if applicable.  
**Extemporaneous Writing**<br>The topic relates to a health issue or focuses on HOSA. The following example shows the topic format:  
- **Wellness: The Focus is on Prevention**<br>*What is preventative health? What types of trends or practices would improve the health of our nation? What should employers do to promote a healthier workforce? What part should HOSA take in promoting wellness?*  
**Researched Persuasive Writing and Speaking**<br>Topic selection is health related and announced annually. Topic must be one that could reasonably be argued for or against, for example:  
- **Euthanasia**  
**Prepared Speaking/Speaking Skills**<br>The topic is announced annually.  
**Job Seeking Skills/Interviewing Skills**<br>Questions should be developed with consideration to interview rating sheet - and should include personal as well as job-related questions. Each set should include 6-10 interview questions. Questions for IS may be less complex than for JSS.
Teamwork: Parliamentary Procedure
Noted in the guidelines the secret topic will include four subsidiary
and privileged motions commonly used during a business
meeting.

Creative Problem Solving
This secret topic is generally a paragraph to a page in length.
Typically, supportive information regarding the topic is also
provided.

The key to topic development in this event is to have a situation
where students must come up with tangible solutions to solve the
problem. There must not be one right answer, but many
possibilities. The focus should not be on moral decisions but
rather on the ability to use the problem solving process to suggest
solutions to a health-related problem. For example:

- Given labor market data and information on post-secondary
  programs in a 100 mile radius, the team will determine and
defend what one medical program to add to a local
  community college.

Biomedical Debate
One topic is chosen by the CE Leadership Team each year for all
teams to debate at all levels of competition. This is a values
debate, and thus the topic should be value-laden. Teams must be
able to debate for and against the topic - therefore - the topic must
be one that easily provides for both points of view. For example:

- Assisted Suicide

Round One is a 50 item multiple choice test on all content aspects
of the topic to be debated. The more competitors know about the
topic, the better prepared they will be to answer the questions on
the test.

Forensic Science
The secret topic is a case study. Competitors will be given a
written police report and other written information about the case. In
addition, there may be physical evidence in the room for the
competitors to analyze, such as a manikin, bones, or dental x-rays.
There may also be pictures and/or a witness in the room. Each
team will see the same physical evidence, pictures and/or witness.

Public Service Announcement
One topic is chosen by the CE Leadership Team each year for all
teams to develop a PSA.