



Oklahoma Office of Homeland Security

Awareness and Response to Biological Events

(AWR-118)

Oklahoma City, OK

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Course Overview: This is an awareness-level course designed to address fundamentals associated with emergency response to biological incidents. The course provides a brief overview of the biological threat that now faces the United States; biological agents that are naturally occurring or could be used deliberately; and methods of protection from biological agents (with an emphasis on protection using methods and equipment readily available to emergency responders). Tactics for identifying the presence of a potential biological threat, responding to an incident, and supporting operations at the incident scene are also addressed. The course also supports the necessity for teamwork (through a review of the Incident Command System, the National Incident Management System, and the National Response Framework) among all responding agencies and actions that all personnel can take to support and facilitate the operations of other responding agencies. In summary, the course will prepare representatives of federal, state, local, and tribal emergency response agencies to perform safely and effectively during an incident involving biological agents.

Participant Audience: Law Enforcement, Emergency Medical Services, Emergency Management Agency, Fire Service, hazardous materials (HAZMAT), Public Works, Government Administrative, Public Safety Communications, Health Care, and Public Health.

Date and Location: March 14, 2011; 9 am-5 pm; Regional Multi Agency Coordination Center 4600 N. Martin Luther King. Oklahoma City, OK

POC for Course Information: By fax (405) 425-7295, KMcCoy@dps.state.ok.us Kathryn McCoy, or phone at (405) 425-2133.

Registration: Visit [Homeland Security's Website](#), then search for the course. Click on the name of the course, then on **REGISTER FOR THE COURSE**. If you have any questions, please contact Kathryn McCoy at 405-425-2133

Hotel Accommodations: Hotel Accommodations are not available since this is a one day course.

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