

Disaster Training

The purpose of this class is to introduce trainers and participants to a wide range of disaster modules that will be used in current and future Disaster Training. The Center developed Disaster Training, through an NIEHS Supplemental grant for Katrina Recovery workers in cooperation with HMTRI, the NIEHS community college grantee, and the Railway Union/National Labor



College grant. The experience from Katrina is that health and safety training for disaster response/recovery needs to be scheduled in short modules. These modules need to be delivered at the beginning and end of a

workday. A large part of our approach is to introduce these disaster modules to our trainers. Module development is targeted to a wide range of topics. Examples are, Traffic Control, Chainsaw Safety, CPR, First Aid, Mold Remediation, etc. Future disasters that we plan on being prepared for include hurricanes, earthquakes, tornados and floods. We are all part of a larger community and the Center is dedicated to assisting communities in protecting themselves.

Infectious Disease Response

Infectious diseases are a threat to the American health care system, to the population and a wide range of workers. The Center Consortium together with SEIU and AFSCME have a variety of modules that offer insight into many of the infections that threaten vulnerable populations; i.e. employees in health care, airline workers, security services, etc. and the means to protect themselves. We also offer a train the trainer class that pairs the awareness level topics with our adult training methodology to become worker trainers. The education they can provide in-house is an invaluable asset to many healthcare facilities' infection control plans, their unions and the communities that they serve.

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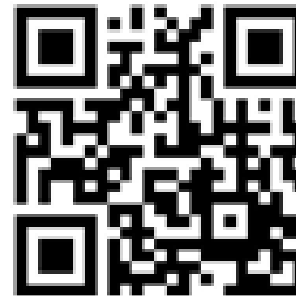
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Empowering Workers, Employers and
Communities as Ambassadors from the
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Chemical Emergency Response (CER)

Since August 1988 the Center has been training workers to safely work with chemicals as well as respond to uncontrolled releases of chemicals. Most of this training has been provided at no cost to the worker or their employer. The Center has



been a recipient of funding through the National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences (NIEHS) since 1987. Qualified workers are

able to attend the courses through scholarships as a result of this funding. In response to requests from a variety of companies we have delivered courses outside the funding criteria with companies paying tuition. These courses have proven to be extremely beneficial to a companies health & safety program. The Center can offer training at a companies site that is tailored specifically to their needs .

Advanced Topics in Emergency Response

This course is designed to take an in-depth look at chemical properties, analyzing monitoring reports, toxicology and additional topics relative to CER. An advanced response exercise is structured around a worker who has “collapsed” for unknown reasons. The class is responsible for all rescue activities including incident command, communication, protective equipment, monitoring, evacuation of a mannequin and decontamination.

Train the Trainer

One of the major strengths of our program is workers training workers. Since the beginning, the Center has offered an in-depth train the trainer course. Although this course is funded primarily by grant monies there have been numerous occasions when employers have sponsored a course and paid tuition. Through this program the Center has developed a very qualified trainer base all over the country.

We also have a one week Department of Transportation Train the trainer class in cooperation with the UAW and AFGE.

OSHA Outreach Training

The 10-hour course provides a variety of entry-level instruction on either general industry or construction health & safety standards. The 30-hour OSHA Outreach is ideal for workers that have safety and health responsibilities such as membership on a safety committee. Our staff has OSHA authorization to deliver this program and issue students a completion card from OSHA. If you are interested in becoming authorized to present OSHA Outreach training and issue cards



from OSHA we can provide the course you need for that also. (OSHA 500/501 Train the Trainer). We also offer the OSHA 6000 course for Federal Employees.

Mold Remediation

We offer everything from 3 hour awareness to 5 day hands-on for this course. Topics include basic introduction to mold organisms, how mold spreads, FEMA and CDC resource material, adverse health affects of mold exposure, assessment, monitoring, respiratory protection and remediation. Katrina raised public awareness to the dangers of mold exposure. As a result, we have had nationwide requests for this course.

Chemical Plume Modeling

This class examines unintentional & intentional atmospheric chemical releases and allows participants to get hands on experience with computer modeling software (CAMEO, MARPLOT, AND ALOHA) Beginners as well as those with advanced computer skills should have no problem with this course. This course includes lots of hands-on time on the computers, It is a very interactive course with plenty of time for discussion. Upon completion of the course participants will be able to use the software in pre-planning for releases that may affect their workplaces and their communities.

Hospital First Receivers

This course is designed to prepare hospital employees to properly handle contaminated patients either transported to the hospital or self presented. A mock scenario requires that everyone know their role within the Hospital Incident Command System (HICS). Participants examine a hospital's Emergency Management Plan (EMP) and the Hazard Vulnerability Analysis (HVA). We also offer a healthcare worker Train the Trainer. Having in-house trainers has proven valuable to many facilities.



Workforce Development

We have worked with community organizations to train young adults in HAZWOPER and hazardous materials related programs. We have delivered 40 hour HAZWOPER, two day mold remediation and two day OSHA construction classes in the greater Cincinnati area with the Job Corps, City of Cincinnati Brownfield EPA grant 8 week program, Cypress Mandela Training in Oakland, CA and with other community organizations. We feel it very important to give young adults the tools they need to stay safe and healthy before they enter the workforce.