

**Tampa Bay Area Metropolitan
Medical Response System**

Hospital Weapons of Mass Destruction Course



Course description: This training is designed to prepare hospital staff in the event of a terrorist attack using Weapons of Mass Destruction. Target Audience: hospital staff, nurses, laboratory technicians, respiratory therapists, Xray techs, security personnel.

Course Objectives. Participants will be able to:

- Discuss role of nuclear, biological & chemical agents used in WMD and mass casualty events
- State role of NIMS (National Incident Management System) in managing Emergency Dept disasters
- Describe HEICS (Hospital Emergency Incident Command System)
- List criteria for preserving evidence for law enforcement case investigation
- Demonstrate use of hospital Personal Protective Equipment
- State rationale for consulting Poison Control centers in a WMD event.

About this course:

- Provides awareness level training and is required for hospital staff by OSHA or NFPA
- Meets HRSA PPE training requirements and state Core Competencies for hospital staff
- Can be a basic course for HAZWOPPER team members or Hazmat Responders

Speakers:

- Catherine Carruba, MD, Medical Director, Tampa Fire Rescue
- Cynthia Lewis-Younger, MD, Director, FL Poison Information Ctr-Tampa
- Lou Ann Morris, RN, ER Manager, Tampa General Hospital
- Dirk Palmer, Safety & Security, St. Joseph Hospital
- Paul Ford, Safety & Security, Tampa General Hospital
- Rick France PhD, FL Dept of Health, Bureau of Laboratories
- Deputy Jon Tillis, Hillsborough County Sheriff's Office

Pre-register
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FREE Course. Lunch provided. Pre-registration required.

Date: 3rd Wednesday of every month
Registration 7:45-8:00 Class 8:00 am – 3:30 pm
Location: to be announced

This program is approved for **7 contact hours for Nursing and Respiratory Therapists** through Tampa General Hospital Provider - NCE #2763. It is approved for **7 contact hours for Rad & Nuc Med techs.**