



## Course Description

### AWR-118 BIOLOGICAL INCIDENTS AWARENESS

#### Description:

The course provides a brief overview of biological incidents that have occurred in the recent past; biological agents that are naturally occurring, could be accidentally released, or could be used deliberately; the typical course of disease and how that may vary in a deliberate incident; an overview of biological agents as terrorist weapons; and methods of protection from biological agents (with an emphasis on protection using methods and equipment readily available to emergency responders and the general public)

#### Course Objectives:

Upon completing this course, participants will be able to:

- describe the key success factors in reacting effectively to a biological incident
- discuss basic facts about biological incidents
- recognize signs that suggest a biological incident is taking place
- protect themselves during a biological incident
- demonstrate the knowledge and skills to respond safely to a biological incident

#### Prerequisites:

Those individuals participating in the Train the Trainer portion of the module must be designated as a trainer by their agency or organization.

**You must be a US Citizen to take this course. If you are not please let us know by email for further instruction at [OEM.TRAINING@DHSES.NY.GOV](mailto:OEM.TRAINING@DHSES.NY.GOV)**

All participants must have a FEMA Student Identification (FEMA SID) number. Students can search for their existing/create a new FEMA SID at: <https://cdp.dhs.gov/femasid/>.

#### Length: 8 Hours

#### Target Audience:

- Emergency Management
- Emergency Medical Services
- Fire Service
- Governmental Administrative
- Law Enforcement
- Health Care
- Public Health
- Public Safety Communications
- Public Works
- Agriculture
- Citizen/Community Volunteer
- Security and Safety
- Transportation
- Other
- Education

#### Cost:

There is no fee for the course. Other cost considerations are detailed in each LMS course offering.

#### Signup Details:

Register through the New York State DHSES Learning Management System. Access the LMS through the link on the calendar webpage.