



## Course Description

### PER-335 Critical Decision Making for Complex Coordinated Attacks

#### Description

This course provides first responders from multiple disciplines with skills to manage the initial response to a large-scale attack in a chaotic environment during a complex coordinated attack (CCA). It aims to train responders in how to use intuitive skills such as observation, analysis, anticipation, and awareness to recognize the possibility of an attack involving multiple incidents of an extreme magnitude that inundate resources, exceed conventional tactics and strategies, and often require a joint response involving members from multiple disciplines and jurisdictions. Topics for discussion include recognizing the characteristics of a potential CCA; coordinating and integrating the response of multiple disciplines and agencies; managing resources; using information gathering and sharing to develop awareness; and solving problems using creative thinking. Participants will learn to gather and disseminate critical information accordingly in order to facilitate rapid analysis. They will also learn to recognize and prevent potential response obstacles or risks to safety including self-deployment and over convergence of assets. Participants will apply the skills learned in Critical Decision Making for Complex Coordinated Attacks through interactive activities, facilitated discussion, and practical application in a training environment.

#### Course Objectives:

- Apply characteristics and indicators of a complex coordinated attack to an evolving incident to recognize if the incident may be a complex coordinated attack and better drive the response
- Respond to and manage atypical complex incidents effectively through a unified, multi-disciplinary approach
- Use Incident Command principles while supporting or managing the response to a complex coordinated attack
- Use skills in developing awareness, sharing information, and gathering intelligence to help prevent future attacks during the response to a complex coordinated attack
- Apply unconventional problem solving skills to address unconventional threats during a complex coordinated attack
- Use critical thinking to more effectively manage a complex coordinated attack

#### Prerequisite:

**You must be a US Citizen to take this course. If you are not please let us know by email for further instruction at**

#### Length: 16 Hours

#### Target Audience:

- Emergency Management
- EMS
- Fire Service
- Law Enforcement
- Public Health
- Public Safety Communications
- Security and Safety
- Transportation

#### Additional Prerequisite:

- To enroll in this course, participants must be US citizens and must possess or obtain a FEMA student identification (SID) number.

#### 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.