



## Best Practices for the Protection of Health Care Facility-Based First Receivers, Awareness Level (EM 120)

### THE NEED

First responder awareness level training is required for those employees who work in the contaminant-free hospital post-decontamination zone, but might be in a position to identify a contaminated victim who arrived unannounced.

*Source: OSHA Best Practices for Hospital-Based First Receivers of Victims, January 2005.*

### TARGET AUDIENCE

This course is for health care workers who might be in a position to identify a contaminated victim arriving at a health care facility unannounced. This group includes ED clinicians, ED clerks and ED triage staff and hospital security staff who would be responsible for notifying hospital authorities of the arrival. This group would also include maintenance, environmental services, facility and engineering staff, security and contractors who are part of decontamination teams and/or setting up and taking down decontamination facilities.

### LENGTH AND MODALITY

Introductory

- ▼ 30-minute online course
- ▼ 60-minute narrated CD-ROM

### EM 120 INFORMATION TOPICS INCLUDE:

- ▼ Threats from specific agents
- ▼ Levels of biological, chemical and radiological protection and isolation
- ▼ Various levels of respiratory protection
- ▼ Principles of decontamination
- ▼ Decontamination procedures
- ▼ Mental health concerns regarding decontamination
- ▼ Personal safety issues regarding decontamination

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