
Abstract:

In October 2002 as an unofficial ad hoc group of Federal Agencies and construction labor organization, health and safety experts formed the Interagency Federal Response Plan Hazardous Materials Health and Safety Task Force (commonly referred to as ESF#10 Health and Safety Task Force). The mission of this Task Force is to improve responders' and site workers' health and safety associated with Weapons of Mass Destruction/Counter Terrorism (WMD/CT) response incidents involving the Federal Response Plan (FRP) and the National Contingence Plan (NCP). The purpose of this presentation is to highlight those health and safety resources available to the Incident Commander during a national response from Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences (NIEHS), Occupational Safety and Health Administration, (OSHA) and Department Of Energy (DOE). This presentation will assist the attendees in identifying specific health and safety resources which can be obtained from various Federal Agencies; such as, air sampling, decon, on-site fit tests, on-site health and safety training, site safety plan development, monitoring equipment, response vehicles, etc.