Seminar

Biosafety and Biosecurity: Minimizing the Risks in the Laboratory
Sponsored by the Virginia Division of Consolidated Laboratory Services and the National Laboratory Training Network (NLTN)

Description
In this era of biological emergencies, from accidental releases to intentional dissemination to global outbreaks, it is critical for laboratories to operate safely and securely. The biosafety sessions of this program will identify key concerns of laboratory biosafety; including the use of biosafety level 3 (BSL-3) practices in a BSL-2 environment, proper use of personal protection equipment (PPE), how to work safely in a biological safety cabinet (BSC), and how to conduct risk assessments. The biosecurity sessions will present laboratory security principles described in the 5th edition of Biosafety in Microbiological and Biomedical Laboratories (BMBL) and include how to conduct risk assessments and how to develop a good biosecurity plan. Using case studies as well as risk assessment exercises, attendees will be able to apply these biosafety and biosecurity principles and concepts to the laboratory.

Audience
This basic to intermediate-level program is designed for supervisors, safety professionals, and laboratorians working in clinical, reference, research, and public health laboratories.

Objectives
At the conclusion of this program, the participant will be able to:
- Discuss the importance of biosafety and biosecurity in laboratories.
- Explain the relationship between biosafety and biosecurity.
- Describe how to use BSL-3 practices in a BSL-2 laboratory.
- Explain the risk assessment processes for both biosafety and biosecurity.

Location
Division of Consolidated Laboratory Services, Richmond, VA

Complimentary Registration
- Register online at http://www.aphl.org/courses/Pages/039-14.aspx and choose the date you wish to attend.
- Registration deadline is ten days before each course.
- If you have difficulty with the online registration process, please email registrar@aphl.org or call 240-485-2727.
- Upon registration, a confirmation email including address and directions to the seminar will be sent.
- For additional program information, email seminar@aphl.org.

Center for Surveillance, Epidemiology and Laboratory Services
Laboratory Training Branch
Seminar Agenda

8:00 a.m. Registration
8:30 a.m. Pre-Course Test
8:45 a.m. Overview-Agenda and Objectives
9:00 a.m. Biosafety in Laboratories: Handling Biological Materials
10:00 a.m. Break
10:15 a.m. Biosafety in Laboratories (cont’d)
10:45 a.m. Biosafety Risk Assessment
11:15 a.m. Biosafety Risk Assessment: Exercises
12:00 p.m. Lunch
12:30 p.m. PPE Demonstrations
1:00 p.m. Biosecurity Overview
1:45 p.m. Biosecurity Risk Assessment
2:15 p.m. Break
2:30 p.m. Biosecurity Risk Assessment: Exercises
3:15 p.m. Post-Course Test
3:35 p.m. Review of Test Questions
3:45 p.m. Adjourn

Faculty

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Continuing Education

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Course Number

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