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**September is National Preparedness Month**

Each year, September is recognized as National Preparedness Month (NPM). NPM is a time to prepare for disasters and emergencies that could affect us where we live, work, go to school, worship, and visit.

This year's NPM is focused on planning, with the theme “**Disasters Happen. Prepare Now. Learn How.**”

- Week 1: Sept. 1-8, Make and Practice Your Plan
- Week 2: Sept. 9-15, Learn Life Saving Skills
- Week 3: Sept. 16-22, Check Your Insurance Coverage
- Week 4: Sept. 23-29, Save For an Emergency

Everyone can take steps to be prepared, including:

- [Make a Family Emergency Communication Plan](#): Have all members of your household keep a [fillable plan card](#) in their wallet, purse or backpack.
- Get to know your [neighbors](#): check with each other before and after a disaster and include neighbors in your emergency plan.
- Sign up for [emergency alerts](#) to receive life-saving information from your state and local officials.
- Learn your [evacuation zone](#) and have an evacuation plan.
- Have regular household meetings to review and practice your plan.

Get more information and resources including the social media toolkit, graphics, and tips on promoting National Preparedness Month by visiting [www.ready.gov/september](http://www.ready.gov/september).



## DHS National Risk Management Center

In response to the increasingly complex threat environment and corresponding demand from industry for greater integrated support from the federal government, DHS is establishing the National Risk Management Center—a centralized home for collaborative, sector-specific, and cross-sector risk management efforts to better protect critical infrastructure.

The National Risk Management Center will create a cross-cutting risk management approach between the private sector and government to improve the defense of our nation’s critical infrastructure. The center, housed within DHS, establishes an organizational approach to integrate risk management activities, perform joint strategic planning, and, most importantly, develop collaborative solutions to reduce risk to critical infrastructure.

Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Office of Infrastructure Protection Bob Kolasky will serve as Director of the Center. Bob is uniquely qualified to lead this significant undertaking and ready for the challenge. In addition, Mark Kneidinger will join the Center as Deputy Director, bringing his experience as Director of Federal Network Resilience for the Office of Cyber Security and Communications (CS&C) component.

View this [Fact Sheet](#) to learn more about the National Risk Management Center.

## Critical Infrastructure Cyber Community Voluntary Program (C3VP) Events, Updates, and Resources

## Joint Webinar Series: NICE Workforce Framework

On **September 25**, join DHS for the next webinar in its series with the Regional Consortium Coordinating Council and the State, Local, Tribal, and Territorial Government Coordinating Council—this time spotlighting the National Initiative for Cybersecurity Education (NICE) [Workforce Framework](#).

Experts from DHS and the National Institute of Standards and Technology will provide background on the NICE Workforce Framework, as well as suggest best practices and resources to help attendees use the Workforce Framework within their own organizations.

Registration information is forthcoming and will be posted [online](#).

## Preview: Awareness Briefings on Protecting Network Devices

On the heels of its successful Ransomware and Russian Activity webinars, DHS is continuing its Awareness Briefing program in October 2018 with a series of webinars on Protecting Network Devices.

Join experts from the National Cybersecurity and Communications Integration Center who will discuss best practices for protecting network devices in organizations of all types and sizes.

Watch this bulletin and the [website](#) for briefing dates and registration information.

## Partner Webinar: SMB Cyber Basics

On September 11, join the National Cyber Security Alliance (NCSA) for a webinar on small and midsize business (SMB) cyber basics, including where to begin on the path of increased security and no-cost resources specific to smaller organizations.

- **Date:** Tuesday, September 11
- **Time:** 2:00-3:00 p.m. ET
- **Registration:** [Register Here](#)

Registration is also live for NCSA's October webinar on [Small Business Scams](#).

## Election Security Training

A new course is now LIVE on the Federal Virtual Training Environment (FedVTE): [The Election Official as an IT Manager](#). This course introduces election officials to the knowledge and skills necessary to function as an information technology (IT) manager. Included is a review of election systems, election night reporting, and interconnected election systems vulnerabilities and liabilities. In addition, the course includes a review of resources available to the election community from DHS.

[FedVTE](#) provides free online cybersecurity training to U.S. government employees, federal contractors, and veterans.

## 2018 Critical Manufacturing Road Show

DHS is pleased to announce its sixth annual Critical Manufacturing Road Show to be held September 18-19, 2018 in Seattle, WA. As in previous years, this event showcases the activities of DHS and other government entities. Attending the event is **FREE**, but registration is required. The agenda for the 2018 Road Show is under development, but topics will include supply chain mapping and risk management, cybersecurity resources, a threat

briefing, and a Critical Infrastructure Partnership Advisory Council (CIPAC) meeting. Please register for the event **by Friday, September 7, 2018.**

- **Day 1 Registration (full-day meeting):** [2018 Critical Manufacturing Road Show](#)
- **Day 2 Registration POC (classified brief and tour):** Barrett Adams-Simmons, [amanda.adams-simmons@hq.dhs.gov](mailto:amanda.adams-simmons@hq.dhs.gov)

For any questions or feedback, please contact Kathleen Nuccetelli at [kathleen.nuccetelli@hq.dhs.gov](mailto:kathleen.nuccetelli@hq.dhs.gov)

## New Insider Threat Mitigation Website

DHS recently released a new [website](#) on Insider Threat Mitigation. The website provides information on establishing an insider threat mitigation program, protecting critical assets, recognizing and reporting suspicious behavior, and how to assess and respond to insider threats. Readers also have access to insider threat mitigation resources and trainings in the form of videos, publications, and on-line training.

For more information, visit the new [website](#) or contact [InTmitigation@hq.dhs.gov](mailto:InTmitigation@hq.dhs.gov).

## Region VIII Infrastructure Resilience Conference

Salt Lake County Emergency Management, the Utah Department of Public Safety, and Region VIII of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) will sponsor the **2018 Region VIII Infrastructure Resilience Conference in Salt Lake City** on September 12, 2018 for emergency managers, utility owners, first responders, security professionals, and private sector stakeholders. This no-cost, all-day conference will convene national experts from DHS and emergency managers from hurricane-affected counties and states to brief on experiences and best practices. Discussion topics include emergency reentry after disaster planning, cybersecurity recommendations, unmanned aircraft systems (UAS) and counter-UAS best practices and guidance, business emergency operations center lessons learned from 2017 hurricane states, and soft target venues.

- **Date:** Wednesday, September 12, 2018
- **Time:** 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. MDT
- **Location:** Salt Palace Convention Center, 100 South West Temple, Salt Lake City, UT 84104
- **Registration:** [Click here](#)

For additional information, contact [dorothy.miller1@hq.dhs.gov](mailto:dorothy.miller1@hq.dhs.gov).

## Software and Supply Chain Assurance Fall 2018 Forum

Cyber risk has become a topic of core strategic concern for business and government leaders worldwide and is an essential component of an enterprise risk management strategy. The Software and Supply Chain Assurance Forum (SSCA) provides a venue for government, industry, and academic participants from around the world to share their knowledge and expertise regarding software and supply chain risks, effective practices and mitigation strategies, tools and technologies, and any gaps related to the people, processes, or technologies involved.

The Fall Forum will feature speakers on:

- Multiyear Plan for Energy Cybersecurity with a focus on supply chain vulnerabilities and risks.
- Enhanced Supply Chain Risk Management Reliability Standards (NERC CIP): The Rule, Approach, and Process used for developing the standard.

- Industry experiences with implementing NERC CIP.

The effort is co-led by the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST), the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), the Department of Defense (DoD), and the Government Services Agency (GSA). Participants represent a diverse group of career professionals including government officials, chief information security officers, academics with cybersecurity and supply chain specialties, system administrators, engineers, consultants, vendors, software developers, managers, analysts, IT and cybersecurity specialists, and many more fields.

Additional information about the SSCA Forum and upcoming event will be posted at <http://csrc.nist.gov/scrm/ssca/>. The event is FREE and open to the public, but registration is required. Registration ends for non-US citizens on September 12, 2018 and for US citizens and green card holders on September 19, 2018.

- **Dates:** September 26-27, 2018
- **Location:** MITRE-1, 7525 Colshire Drive, McLean, VA 22102
- **Registration:** <http://www.mitre.org/ssca>
- **Agenda:**

For additional information and questions, contact [Beatrix.Boyens@hq.dhs.gov](mailto:Beatrix.Boyens@hq.dhs.gov).

## Risk Management Process and Facility Security Committee Training



During Phase One of the National Compliance Advisory Initiative, the DHS Interagency Security Committee (ISC) provided awareness training across the country. Now building off of that foundation, Phase Two provides a half day, instructor-led training course covering the Risk Management Process and the roles and responsibilities of the Facility Security Committee. The course is offered at no cost to Federal employees and state and local employees with a Federal sponsor. The training is available on a first-come, first-served basis.

- September 25, 2018 – Denver, CO
- September 27, 2018 – Laguna Niguel, CA
- October 2, 2018 – National Capitol Region
- October 15, 2018 – Oakland, CA
- October 16, 2018 – San Francisco, CA
- October 18, 2018 – Santa Ana, CA
- December 4, 2018 – Seattle, WA
- December 6, 2018 – Portland, OR

RSVP to [ISC@hq.dhs.gov](mailto:ISC@hq.dhs.gov) and include name, title, organization, armed/unarmed, and desired training location, with the subject line "ISC-NCAI training."

## Chemical Sector Monthly Unclassified Threat Calls

DHS NPPD/IP, serving as the [Chemical Sector-Specific Agency](#), conducts a monthly unclassified threat call in coordination with DHS NPPD Office of Cybersecurity and Communications (CS&C), DHS Office of Intelligence and Analysis (I&A), Office of The Director of Intelligence, Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), and more. The call is

intended to provide unclassified threat information to chemical sector partners and those in associated sectors. The call is held every fourth Thursday of each month.

- **Date:** September 27
- **Time:** 11:00 a.m. EDT
- **Dial-In:** 1-855-852-7677
- **PIN:** 999998362769
- **Link:** <https://share.dhs.gov/chemthreatcall/>

For more information about the Chemical Sector Monthly Classified Threat Call contact [chemssa@hq.dhs.gov](mailto:chemssa@hq.dhs.gov).

## Corporate Security Symposia Dates

The DHS I&A Private Sector Outreach Program, in coordination with FBI, hosts regional Corporate Security Symposia around the country to discuss and inform public and private sector audiences on the most challenging security issues our Nation faces today.

The Corporate Security Symposia focus on topics that are critical to security within the public and private sectors. Events feature public and private subject matter experts (SMEs), who provide insight on a variety of issues such as cybersecurity, infrastructure protection, communications, global intelligence, border security, and counterintelligence. Several Fortune 500 companies, including Sony, the Walt Disney Company, Gulfstream, and Microsoft, have hosted past Corporate Security Symposia.

### Region II

- New York, NY, Tuesday, October 16, 2018, [Register Here](#)

### Region III

- Norfolk, VA, Wednesday, April 3, 2019

### Region IV

- Louisville, KY, Thursday, November 1, 2018, [Register Here](#)
- Biloxi, MS, Wednesday, March 20, 2019

### Region VI

- Bentonville, AR, Wednesday, August 14, 2019

### Region IX

- Los Angeles, CA, Thursday, December 6, 2018, [Register Here](#)

To register or for more information please contact [I&APrivateSector@hq.dhs.gov](mailto:I&APrivateSector@hq.dhs.gov).

## Training/Resources

DHS offers a wide array of training programs and resources, at no cost, to government and private sector partners. Web-based training, classroom courses, and associated training materials provide government officials and critical infrastructure owners and operators with the knowledge and skills needed to implement critical infrastructure security and resilience activities. For further information, visit the [DHS Critical Infrastructure Training website](#) or the [Critical Infrastructure Resources website](#).



## Active Shooter Program Resources

NPPD/IP's [Active Shooter Preparedness Program](#) remains committed to developing resources that help the critical infrastructure community mitigate the potential impacts associated with the evolving threat environment. Visit the [Active Shooter Preparedness webpage](#) to access a variety of new products ranging from an active shooter preparedness fact sheet and Pathway to Violence informational poster to translated materials.

### More Active Shooter Preparedness Resources:

- **Recovering From An Active Shooter Incident**

**Fact Sheet:** provides high level considerations for the short and long-term phases of recovery following an incident.

- **Active Shooter Recovery Guide:** provides detailed information on actions organizations should consider to reconstitute services more effectively and ensure the wellness of their employees and visitors.
- **Active Shooter Emergency Action Plan Video:** A great resource for individuals unable to attend an in-person workshop or those who would like a refresher. This dynamic 90-minute video describes the fundamental concepts of developing an emergency action plan for an active shooter scenario by leveraging the perspectives of survivors, first responders, and SMEs.
- **Active Shooter Emergency Action Plan Trailer:** This one-minute video provides a brief overview of the components of the Active Shooter Emergency Action Plan video.
- **Options for Consideration:** Replacing the previously available resource, this seven minute video demonstrates possible actions individuals can take if confronted with an active shooter; it provides updated information that includes considerations for individuals with disabilities and incorporation of technology into security practices.

### Additional Resources

- A recently developed [Vehicle Ramming Attack Mitigation](#) video provides information to assist with mitigating the evolving threat corresponding to vehicle ramming incidents with insightful technical analysis from public and private sector SMEs. It leverages real-world events and provides recommendations aimed at protecting organizations and individuals against a potential vehicle ramming incident.
- **Understanding the Insider Threat Video:** uses security and behavior experts to discuss how insider threats manifest in a variety of ways including terrorism, workplace violence, and breaches of cybersecurity.
- **Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS) Video:** contains information on critical infrastructure challenges associated with the UAS threat, counter UAS security practices, actions to consider for risk mitigation, and provides messages of facility and organizational preparedness related to UAS incidents

For questions, please contact [ASworkshop@hq.dhs.gov](mailto:ASworkshop@hq.dhs.gov).

## Active Shooter Preparedness Workshop Dates

Active Shooter Preparedness Workshops are conducted across the Nation to provide participants with information that helps mitigate the impacts of an active shooter incident. These workshops—which include case studies, visual media content, and facilitated dialogue in breakout sessions—allow participants to begin developing an emergency action plan for their respective organizations.

Below is the tentative schedule of upcoming workshops. For additional information regarding the upcoming schedule, please contact [ASworkshop@hq.dhs.gov](mailto:ASworkshop@hq.dhs.gov).

### Region II

- Atlantic City, NJ, Monday, October 15
- New York City, NY, Wednesday, October 16
- White Plains, NY, Friday, October 19

### Region V

- Detroit, MI, Tuesday, September 11

### Region VIII

- Saint Michael, ND, Tuesday, October 2
- Denver, CO, Thursday, October 4
- Westminster, CO, Thursday, October 4

### Region IX

- Las Vegas, NV, Thursday, September 13
- Phoenix, AZ, Wednesday, November 7

### Region X

- Portland, OR, Monday, September 10
- University Place, WA, Thursday, September 27

## Office for Bombing Prevention Training Courses

### Independent Studies:

These web-based courses are self-paced and designed for a broad audience to provide general awareness-level, counter-improvised explosive device (IED) information to general public and private sector partners to enhance awareness and response to IED threats. They are offered free-of-charge.

#### **Homemade Explosives and Precursor Chemicals Awareness for Public Safety (AWR-349)**

This one-hour, awareness-level, computer-based course, available through [TRIPwire](#), educates law enforcement, firefighters, emergency medical technicians, and other public safety personnel about homemade explosives (HME),

the precursor chemicals that are used to manufacture HME, and actions to take if HME precursor chemicals or equipment are thought to be present during a routine service call.

### **Improvised Explosive Device Awareness and Safety Procedures (AWR-341)**

This one-hour, awareness-level, computer-based course, available on [TRIPwire](#), provides foundational knowledge concerning IED and proper safety precautions and procedures for reacting and responding to unattended and suspicious items.

## **Direct Delivery In-Person Training:**

Coordinated through DHS Protective Security Advisors (PSA), State Homeland Security Officials, and training offices, Office of Bombing Prevention courses educate Federal, state, local, tribal, and territorial participants—such as municipal officials and emergency managers, state and local law enforcement and other emergency services, critical infrastructure owners and operators, and security staff—on strategies to prevent, protect against, respond to, and mitigate bombing incidents. Unless otherwise indicated, all courses are instructor-led and designed for small groups of 25 participants.

### **Bombing Prevention Awareness Course (AWR-348)**

This one-day awareness course provides an overview of bombing prevention topics. Course topics include IED and HME awareness, explosive effects mitigation, protective measures awareness, suspicious behaviors and items, and an introduction to the terrorist attack cycle for bombing events. This course is designed for public and private sector critical infrastructure owners and operators interested in or required to have a basic awareness of bombing prevention measures, public safety personnel, emergency managers, law enforcement, and special event security personnel can also benefit from the course. Upcoming scheduled courses are as follows:

#### **Region II**

Hamilton Township, NJ – Andrew Smith, [andrew.smith@hq.dhs.gov](mailto:andrew.smith@hq.dhs.gov)

- Tuesday, October 30

#### **Region III**

Springfield, VA – Kyle Wolf, [kyle.wolf@hq.dhs.gov](mailto:kyle.wolf@hq.dhs.gov)

- Wednesday, October 17

#### **Region IV**

Anniston, AL – Michael Aguilar, 866-213-9547

- Monday, September 10

#### **Region VII**

Mayetta, KS – Charles Clanahan, [charles.clanahan@hq.dhs.gov](mailto:charles.clanahan@hq.dhs.gov)

- Wednesday, October 10

## **IED Search Procedures Course (PER-339)**

This one-day, performance-based course introduces participants to basic, low-risk search protocols and allows participants to practice an IED search of a facility, an area, and a route in order to reduce vulnerability and mitigate the effects of IED attacks. This course is designed for public and private facility owners and operators and security staff that may be tasked with search duties during a bomb threat incident. Upcoming scheduled courses are as follows:

### **Region IV**

Mobile, AL – Kirk Toth, [kirk.toth@hq.dhs.gov](mailto:kirk.toth@hq.dhs.gov)

- Wednesday, September 26

### **Region VII**

Mayetta, KS – Charles Clanahan, [charles.clanahan@hq.dhs.gov](mailto:charles.clanahan@hq.dhs.gov)

- Friday, October 12

### **Region X**

Tacoma, WV – Jonathan Richeson, [jonathan.richeson@hq.dhs.gov](mailto:jonathan.richeson@hq.dhs.gov)

- Tuesday, October 16

Seattle, WA – Jonathan Richeson, [jonathan.richeson@hq.dhs.gov](mailto:jonathan.richeson@hq.dhs.gov)

- Thursday, October 18

### **Region V**

Indianapolis, IN – Christopher Judge, [christopher.judge@hq.dhs.gov](mailto:christopher.judge@hq.dhs.gov)

- Tuesday, October 30

## **Bomb Threat Management Planning Course (MGT-451)**

This one-day, management-level course introduces participants to the DHS risk management process and the development of a bomb threat management (BTM) plan. During the course, participants will learn how to apply specific portions of the risk management process and BTM procedures against mock BTM plans. This course is designed for public and private sector emergency management representatives, critical infrastructure owners and operators, and law enforcement officials. Upcoming scheduled courses are as follows:

### **Region II**

Mahwah, NJ – Andrew Smith, [Andrew.smith@hq.dhs.gov](mailto:Andrew.smith@hq.dhs.gov)

- Thursday, September 13

## **Region IV**

Anniston AL – Michael Aguilar, 866-213-9547

- Monday, September 24

Mobile, AL – Kirk Toth, [kirk.toth@hq.dhs.gov](mailto:kirk.toth@hq.dhs.gov)

- Tuesday, September 25

## **Region VII**

Mayetta, KS – Charles Clanahan, [charles.clanahan@hq.dhs.gov](mailto:charles.clanahan@hq.dhs.gov)

- Thursday, October 11

### **Protective Measures Course (PER-336)**

This one-day, performance-based course provides participants with a basic understanding of how to identify risks and vulnerabilities to a facility, determine additional security needs for a special event or public gathering, and identify and apply physical and procedural protective measures to mitigate the threat of an IED or vehicle-borne IED (VBIED). This course is designed for public and private sector security personnel at the executive, management, and operations level. Public safety workers, emergency managers, law enforcement, and special event security personnel can also benefit from the course. Upcoming scheduled courses are as follows:

## **Region II**

Mahwah, NJ – Andrew Smith, [andrew.smith@hq.dhs.gov](mailto:andrew.smith@hq.dhs.gov)

- Wednesday, September 12

## **Region IV**

Anniston, AL – Michael Aguilar, 866-213-9547

- Monday, September 17
- Monday, September 24

Mobile, AL – Kirk Toth, [kirk.toth@hq.dhs.gov](mailto:kirk.toth@hq.dhs.gov)

- Thursday, September 27

### **Surveillance Detection for Law Enforcement and Security Professionals (PER-346)**

This three-day, performance-based course provides instruction on how to detect hostile surveillance by exploring surveillance techniques, tactics, and procedures from an adversary's perspective. These skills enhance counter-IED capabilities of law enforcement and security professionals to detect, prevent, protect against, and respond to IED threats. This course incorporates multiple hands-on exercises and culminates in a field exercise that includes role players. This course is designed for law enforcement and public and private sector security staff. Upcoming scheduled courses are as follows:

## **Region II**

Freehold, NJ – Andrew Smith, [andrew.smith@hq.dhs.gov](mailto:andrew.smith@hq.dhs.gov)

- Tuesday, September 18

Trenton, NJ – Andrew Smith, [andrew.smith@hq.dhs.gov](mailto:andrew.smith@hq.dhs.gov)

- Tuesday, October 23

Jersey City, NJ – Andrew Smith, [andrew.smith@hq.dhs.gov](mailto:andrew.smith@hq.dhs.gov)

- Tuesday, October 23

## **Region III**

Laurel, MD – Kyle Wolf, [kyle.wolf@hq.dhs.gov](mailto:kyle.wolf@hq.dhs.gov)

- Tuesday, October 2

## **Region IV**

Huntsville, AL – Greg Carden, [greg.carden@hq.dhs.gov](mailto:greg.carden@hq.dhs.gov)

- Tuesday, September 18

Louisville, KY – Greg Carden, [greg.carden@hq.dhs.gov](mailto:greg.carden@hq.dhs.gov)

- Tuesday, September 25

## **Region V**

West Allis, WI – John Busch, [john.busch@hq.dhs.gov](mailto:john.busch@hq.dhs.gov)

- Wednesday, September 12

## **Vehicle-Borne Improvised Explosive Device (VBIED) Detection Course (PER-312)**

This one-day, performance-based course provides participants with the knowledge and skills to recognize the VBIED threat and identify VBIED components and devices, methods for reacting to improvised explosive devices, and procedures for inspecting vehicles to detect VBIEDs. This course is designed for first responders, public safety officers, security officers, and law enforcement officers tasked with inspecting vehicles for explosive threats, hazards, or prohibited items. Upcoming scheduled courses are as follows:

## **Region I**

Providence, RI – Erik Ulmen, [erik.ulmen@hq.dhs.gov](mailto:erik.ulmen@hq.dhs.gov)

- Tuesday, October 2

- Wednesday, October 3

### **Region V**

Indianapolis, IN – Christopher Judge, [christopher.judge@hq.dhs.gov](mailto:christopher.judge@hq.dhs.gov)

- Wednesday, October 31

### **Region X**

Tacoma, WA – Jonathan Richeson, [jonathan.richeson@hq.dhs.gov](mailto:jonathan.richeson@hq.dhs.gov)

- Monday, October 15

Seattle, WA – Jonathan Richeson, [jonathan.richeson@hq.dhs.gov](mailto:jonathan.richeson@hq.dhs.gov)

- Wednesday, October 17

## **Virtual Instructor Led Training (VILT):**

These web-based courses provide general awareness-level, counter-IED information to a broad audience via an online virtual training experience with a live instructor, using Adobe Connect through the Homeland Security Information Network. These courses are designed for small group instruction of 15 to 25 participants.

A FEMA Student ID (FEMA SID) is required to participate in all VILT OBP course offerings. To obtain a FEMA SID, visit [FEMA's website](#) to apply. To view the VILT training schedule and register for a course, please visit the [VILT website](#).

### **Homemade Explosive (HME) and Precursor Awareness (AWR-338)**

This one-hour awareness course provides a basic understanding on HMEs and common precursor materials. Participants will define HMEs, explain the considerations perpetrators have when evaluating whether or not to use HMEs as the explosive for an attack, and identify common precursor chemicals and materials used to make HMEs. This course is designed for public and private sector individuals who are interested in or required to have a basic awareness of homemade explosives and precursor chemicals. Upcoming scheduled courses are as follows:

- Wednesday, September 12, 2018
- Tuesday, September 18, 2018
- Thursday, September 20, 2018
- Wednesday, September 26, 2018
- Thursday, September 27, 2018
- Thursday, October 11, 2018
- Tuesday, October 16, 2018
- Thursday, October 18, 2018
- Thursday, October 25, 2018
- Tuesday, October 30, 2018

### **Improvised Explosive Device (IED) Construction and Classification Course (AWR-333)**

This one-hour awareness course provides participants with a basic understanding of the function, components, construction, and classification of IEDs. It is designed for public and private sector individuals who are interested in

or required to have a basic awareness of IED construction and classification. Upcoming scheduled courses are as follows:

- Tuesday, September 11 2018
- Thursday, September 13, 2018
- Wednesday, September 19, 2018
- Tuesday, September 25, 2018
- Thursday, September 27, 2018
- Wednesday, October 10, 2018
- Wednesday, October 17, 2018
- Wednesday, October 24, 2018
- Wednesday, October 31, 2018

### **Improvised Explosive Device (IED) Explosive Effects Mitigation Course (AWR-337)**

This one-hour awareness course introduces participants to the effects of detonations and details the difference between blast, thermal/incendiary, and fragmentation effects and the destructive consequences of each on various targets. It also describes security measures and best practices that can help prevent or mitigate explosive effects. This course is designed for public and private sector individuals who are interested in or required to have a basic awareness of how to mitigate the explosive effects of IEDs. Upcoming scheduled courses are as follows:

- Tuesday, September 11, 2018
- Thursday, September 13, 2018
- Wednesday, September 19, 2018
- Thursday, September 20, 2018
- Wednesday, September 26, 2018
- Tuesday, October 9, 2018
- Wednesday, October 17, 2018
- Thursday, October 18, 2018
- Tuesday, October 23, 2018
- Wednesday, October 31, 2018

### **Introduction to the Terrorist Attack Cycle Course (AWR-334)**

This one-hour awareness course introduces a conceptual model of common steps that terrorists take in planning and executing terrorist attacks. It enhances participants' awareness and capability to prevent, protect against, respond to, and mitigate attacks that use IEDs against people, critical infrastructure, and other soft targets. This course is designed for public and private sector individuals who have a responsibility for critical infrastructure protection and those who are interested in or required to have a basic awareness of terrorist operations and bomb prevention. Upcoming scheduled courses are as follows:

- Wednesday, September 12, 2018
- Tuesday, September 18, 2018
- Thursday, September 20, 2018
- Wednesday, September 26, 2018
- Wednesday, October 10, 2018
- Thursday, October 11, 2018
- Tuesday, October 16, 2018
- Wednesday, October 24, 2018
- Thursday, October 25, 2018

- Tuesday, October 30, 2018

### **Response to Suspicious Behaviors and Items Course (AWR-335)**

This one-hour awareness course serves as an overview of appropriate responses to suspicious behaviors and items by differentiating normal and abnormal behaviors and highlighting appropriate responses to potential terrorist or criminal activity. It also discusses the differences between unattended and suspicious items, and the responses for each situation. This course is designed for managers and employees of stores that sell homemade explosive precursors, facility managers, public and private sector emergency management representatives, security professionals, and law enforcement. Upcoming scheduled courses are as follows:

- Thursday, September 13, 2018
- Tuesday, September 25, 2018
- Tuesday, October 9, 2018
- Thursday, October 11, 2018
- Tuesday, October 16, 2018
- Thursday, October 18, 2018
- Tuesday, October 23, 2018
- Thursday, October 25, 2018
- Tuesday, October 30, 2018

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### **Physical and Cybersecurity for Critical Infrastructure Training Course**

The [Texas A&M Engineering Extension Service \(TEEX\)](#) is offering a course for practitioners managing physical and cybersecurity. The course is the result of a partnership between TEEX, NPPD IP, NPPD Office of Cybersecurity and Communications, and the FEMA National Training and Education Division. The course, MGT 452 – Physical and Cybersecurity for Critical Infrastructure, encourages collaborative efforts among individuals and organizations responsible for both physical and cybersecurity toward development of integrated risk management strategies that lead to enhanced capabilities necessary for the protection of our Nation's critical infrastructure.

Participants will identify physical and cybersecurity concerns impacting overall infrastructure security posture, examine integrated physical and cybersecurity incidents and the evolving risks and impacts they pose to critical infrastructure, and explore resources that can be applied to improve security within an organization, business, or government entity. The target audience is critical infrastructure owners and operators and individuals responsible for physical and/or cybersecurity within their organization, including Federal, State, local, regional, tribal, and territorial government officials, and owners and operators of small businesses and nonprofit organizations. This instructor-led course is eight hours in length and offers 0.8 continuing education units. For more information, contact [nerrtc@teex.tamu.edu](mailto:nerrtc@teex.tamu.edu).

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