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"Response to Anthrax Threats"

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• A package is opened that claims to contain anthrax, but no suspicious material is included;
• A package or letter is opened that claims to contain anthrax, and a suspicious substance is found.
Appropriate response procedures for each scenario are described.

"Response to Anthrax Threats" stresses that every anthrax incident must be treated as a crime scene, regardless of whether anthrax is actually involved. It explains the role of local law enforcement and the FBI, and provides guidelines for calling in the fire department, hazmat team, and local health officials.

The program tells how to manage victims who may have become contaminated by the product and describes the symptoms of infection for three types of exposure: inhalation, ingestion and cutaneous. It stresses that anthrax is not a contagious disease, and shows why spores are unlikely to cause harm beyond the immediate site of exposure.

Other topics covered by the program include use of hazmat protocols, decontamination, managing evidence, protective clothing for responders, dealing with the 'worried well,' and clean-up. 25 minutes.

About the technical committee

Emergency Film Group programs are created with the assistance of leaders in emergency response training. Technical committee members for **"Response to Anthrax Threats"** include the following authorities:

- **Tom Abbott**, Chief, Tempe (AZ) Fire Dept.
- **Rem Gaade**, Gaade & Associates,

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| Video or DVD plus wallet cards | |
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• **Rick Emery**, Emery & Associates, Vernon Hills, IL

• **William Patrick**, Biological Warfare Consultant

• **Glen Rudner**, Virginia Department of Emergency Services, Dumfries, VA

About the filmmakers

Gordon Massingham, director. For 20 years one of the world's leading creators of emergency response training. Winner of more than 120 national and international awards.

J.B. Lamont, senior editor. J.B. is manager of the Avid non-linear editing suite at EFG. His work has been seen on NBC, ESPN, and many cable outlets.

Shirley Ayers, script writer. Shirley also serves as marketing manager for EFG, with responsibilities for promotional material and the web presence.

Michael Cataldo, assistant director on many EFG projects as well as production designer, actor and art director.

About the Emergency Film Group

Emergency Film Group, a division of the Detrick Lawrence Corp., was established to distribute quality training films for emergency response and right to know education. Firmly committed to accuracy, EFG uses the best qualified advisors and production crews to ensure that programs are not only exciting to watch, but are also accurate in every detail.

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About anthrax

Anthrax is a biological agent which typically infects warm-blooded animals such as cattle, sheep, goats, and camels. Humans may be infected if they are exposed to the hides of diseased animals, eat contaminated meat, or inhale spores. Unless they are treated quickly, victims often die.

Harmful anthrax spores may be manufactured and stored. Lately the threat of anthrax contamination has been used by those seeking to disrupt activities at a location. Most anthrax scares are hoaxes, however local emergency personnel must prepare to deal with such threats with a calm, measured response in order to prevent widespread panic among the population.

About the program

It is important that the response to an anthrax threat be in proportion to the level of danger at the incident scene. **"Response to Anthrax Threats"** focuses on letter or packages that claim to contain anthrax. Illustrating guidelines from the National Defense Preparedness Office, a consortium of federal agencies, the program outlines the four common scenarios requiring an anthrax response:

- A threat is made by telephone or other means, but no package is discovered;
- An unopened letter or package is discovered that claims to contain anthrax;