

DHS Training Course Available: *Active Shooter, What You Can Do*

The Department of Homeland Security (DHS) announces the availability of a new Independent Study Course titled: *Active Shooter, What You Can Do (IS-907)*, a no-cost training course developed to provide the public with guidance on how to prepare for and respond to active shooter crisis situations. An active shooter is defined in the course as an individual “engaged in killing or attempting to kill people in a confined and populated area. In most cases, there is no pattern or method to their selection of victims.”

This new online training is available through the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Emergency Management Institute (EMI) at <http://training.fema.gov/EMIWeb/IS/IS907.asp>

The training is targeted to reach a broad range of individuals, including managers and employees, so they can prepare to respond to an active shooter situation.

The *Active Shooter* course was developed by the Office of Infrastructure Protection through a collaborative process that included representatives from the Commercial Facilities Sector and FEMA EMI. Development also included consultation with the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center.

The course is self-paced and takes about 45 minutes to complete. Upon completion of *Active Shooter, What You Can Do*, employees and managers will be able to:

- Describe the actions to take when confronted with an active shooter and responding law enforcement officials.
- Recognize potential workplace violence indicators.
- Describe actions to take to prevent and prepare for potential active shooter incidents.
- Describe how to manage the consequences of an active shooter incident.

A certificate from FEMA EMI is awarded to participants who complete the course and pass a short final exam.

This is the second in a series of critical infrastructure cross-sector training courses; DHS announced the availability of IS-906, *Workplace Security Awareness*, in early March. Access IS-906 on the FEMA EMI Web site: <http://training.fema.gov/EMIWeb/IS/IS906.asp>.

For more information about Office of Infrastructure Protection training courses, contact: IP_Education@hq.dhs.gov.

For more information on DHS critical infrastructure protection and resilience programs visit: www.dhs.gov/criticalinfrastructure.