

TIME & DATES

8:30 AM- 4:00 PM

Thursday, April 7, 2016
Friday, April 8, 2016

Thursday, May 19, 2016
Friday, May 20, 2016

Thursday, Sept. 22, 2016
Friday, Sept. 23, 2016



2016: A Plan of Action: Bioterrorism Preparedness for Clinical Labs

Check Your Skill Level with a Hands-On Lab Experience!

Presented at the
Tennessee Department of Health:
Division of Laboratory Services
Nashville, Tennessee

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6.5 Contact Hours of Continuing
Education Credits for State
Licensure Requirements



Course Description

This program focuses on practical methods that clinical laboratories use to remain alert for the agents of bioterrorism. These organisms occur naturally in the environment and humans may be infected by various routes of exposure. Participants will learn about surveillance and evaluation procedures that can be integrated into the routine work of the microbiology lab. Procedures for the referral of suspect cases to your LRN (Laboratory Response Network) laboratory will also be discussed. In this hands-on course, following appropriate safety precautions, participants will examine actual cultures and organisms in a laboratory setting.

Admission preference is given to MTs and MLTs who work in microbiology laboratories in Tennessee.

Course Objectives

By the end of the program, participants will be able to:

- Discuss the role of the clinical lab in discovering organisms targeted for use in acts of bioterrorism.
- Explain the safety implications of handling suspected organisms in clinical specimens and isolates.
- Describe the clinical and laboratory features of the primary agents likely to be involved in a bioterrorist event, including anthrax, plague, botulism, tularemia, brucellosis, melioidosis and glanders.
- Recognize culture, staining and biochemical characteristics of bioterrorist organisms.
- Apply information presented in clinical scenarios in order to avoid identification pitfalls.
- Introduction to select agent regulations and their impact on clinical laboratories.

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If you do not have an e-mail address, please provide a telephone number at which you may be reached during weekday business hours. Please provide the requested information, fill out the application clearly and mail or fax to the information above. You may also e-mail the scanned form to: labworkshopapps.health@tn.gov

Applicant Information

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*Name (First & Last): (Please Print Legibly)			*E-Mail Address: (Please Print Legibly)		
Facility Name (Please Spell Out):			*Daytime Phone:		
Facility Address:			Job Title:		
Number	Street	Suite #	*What are your job duties and what laboratory area do you work?		
City	State	Zip Code	*MT/MLT TN State License Number:		

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