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Presentation Title: Complex, Coordinated Attack Community Readiness

Presentation Description:

First responders and emergency management agencies collaborate in this inter-disciplinary training to prepare for, respond to, and recover from a complex coordinated terrorist attack (CCTA). This training course is designed to increase situational awareness of recent and thwarted attacks, identify regional interdependencies needed to respond to an attack, and strengthen relationships with community response and recovery partners. This training will include four parts: I) a high-level overview of recent events, best practices, lessons learned, and thwarted attacks; II) a facilitated tabletop exercise to view community strengths, test capabilities, and allow for collaboration, III) Emergency Operations Plan (EOP) review; and IV) full-scale exercise.

In Part I, the presenter will review complex coordinated terrorists attack throughout the world in the last 30 years. Next, the presenter will identify best practice response and lessons learned from the events. Last, the presenter will review thwarted attacks, and discuss suspicious person's indicators. Part I consists of a four-hour lecture.

Part II is a multi-disciplinary, tabletop exercise scenario with breakout groups. In this phase, responders will identify both tactics and strategies necessary to mitigate a simulated terrorist attack. This four-hour exercise will test all components of the emergency response system, including 9-1-1, law enforcement, fire, EMS, and hospitals.

In Part III, the presenter will facilitate an Emergency Operations Plan review and update. The presenter has assisted in the creation of more than 200 emergency operations plan.

In Part IV, responders will participate in full-scale exercise. This full-scale exercise will test all components of the emergency response system. Responders will encounter numerous simulated events, including an active shooter, a hostage/barricade, fire-as-a-weapon, and an explosive event. Responders will have to employ the tactics and strategies they learned throughout the course to successfully mitigate the exercise.

Prerequisites: Open to active public safety members, government intelligence analysts, and emergency management members.

Time: Part I is 24 hours of classroom. Part II is eight hours. Part III depends on the work needed in the EOP. Part IV is eight hours.