

DIVISION OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AND HOMELAND SECURITY TRAINING ANNOUNCEMENT:

G0290 - Basic Public Information Officers Course

See below for Location/Time.

Description:

This 2-day classroom course is an updated, shortened, and revised version of the previous course. The revised course:

- Emphasizes skills development
- Addresses the impact of technology on emergency public information
- Offers options that allow the states to tailor the instructional methodology to suit their needs while consistently meeting the course learning objectives.

Course Objectives:

Demonstrate how to communicate emergency public information effectively in writing to the public through the news media.

- Describe actions the PIO can take to prepare for and conduct an effective interview with the news media.
- Demonstrate the ability to answer questions effectively during an on-camera interview.
- Describe how to effectively perform the responsibilities of the PIO at the scene of an incident.
- Describe the JIS/JIC concepts as they apply to the public information function in an expanding incident.
- Participate in a panel

Target Audience:

The primary audience for this training is individuals who have public information responsibilities as their main job or as an auxiliary function at the state, local, or tribal level of government.

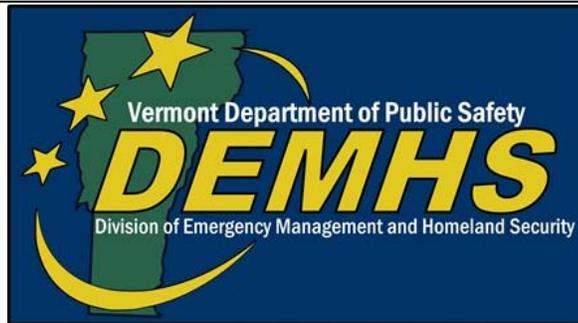
It is prerequisite for entry into the Advanced PIO course being held in April 2017 at Berlin, VT.

Prerequisites:

IS. 29 - Public Information Officer Awareness <https://training.fema.gov/is/courseoverview.aspx?code=IS-29>

Notes:

- Participants who attend all hours required of this course and successfully pass a final exam will receive a Certificate of Completion.
- Late registrations may be accepted on a case-by-case basis.



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**Upcoming G0290 - Basic Public Information Officer:
Instructor: Mark Bosma**

Cost:

- There is NO cost to attend this course.
- Lodging, meals and travel are the responsibility of the participant.

Number of openings: 20

Registration Deadline: 2 weeks prior to course

To Register:

1. Complete the DEMHS General Registration form attached.
2. Complete IS. 29 as listed above and retain your Certificate of Completion.
3. Scan the DEMHS General Registration form with your IS. 29 Certificate of Completion to Homeland Security Training Coordinator at DPS.EMHSTraining@vermont.gov.
4. Once the completed registration package is received, a confirmation email is sent. (This will serve as your confirmation for registering for the course. Therefore please mark your calendar once you have received this confirmation).
5. A course email notification will be forth coming in the weeks prior to the course delivery.

When: January 25, & 26, 2017

Where: Westminster Vermont State Police Barracks, 1330 Westminster Heights Road, Putney VT 05346

Time: 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM both days.

When: February 13, & 14, 2017

Where: Department of Public Safety, State Emergency Operations Center, 45 State Drive, Waterbury, VT 05671-1300

Time: 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM both days.