San Francisco Police Department (SFPD) and the Regional Terrorism Threat Assessment Center (RTTAC), in coordination with Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR) and the American College of Medical Toxicologists (ACMT) and U.S. EPA present:

Chemical Agents of Opportunity for Terrorism:
The Medical Consequences of TICs(Toxic Industrial Chemicals) and TIMs (Toxic Industrial Materials)

Thursday, May 4th, 2006
8:00 – 8:30 am sign-in
8:30 – 4:30 pm course
Hiram W. Johnson State Office Building
455 Golden Gate Avenue
San Francisco, CA 94102

Most first responders have been trained to recognize and respond to attacks involving traditional "warfare" chemicals, but these are often not the most likely agents that could be used by terrorists. Common and unusual industrial chemicals may pose just as much of a threat. An appreciation of the many toxic chemicals available in our communities is crucial to prepare, identify and defend against chemical threats. This course provides awareness-level training for a variety of toxic syndromes likely to be encountered following exposures to "chemical agents of opportunity."

The information presented will be of interest to law enforcement officials, public health officials, emergency response coordinators, FOSCs, environmental health scientists, toxicologists, occupational/environmental and emergency physicians, veterinarians, laboratorians, engineers, industrial hygienists and others involved with chemical terrorism preparedness and response.

The faculty members are all board certified and fellowship trained physician medical toxicologists who are members of the American College of Medical Toxicology (ACMT) and currently serve as consultants to ATSDR. They have extensive experience directly caring for patients suffering from the ill-effects of chemical agents and poisons.

Registration is free and class size is limited.

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