A Coordinated Response to Food Emergencies: An Introduction (AWR-230-W)

This course is an awareness-level, course that addresses effective communication and coordination among food emergency response personnel during an incident response. This course helps participants understand how the food industry has evolved in recent years to become global in scope. Participants identify possible vulnerabilities of the food chain, determine whether federal, state and local agencies need to get involved in an investigation and learn to conduct a rapid, well-coordinated investigation and response to stop ongoing outbreaks and reduce the number of illnesses.

**Professional Disciplines:** Emergency Management Agency, Governmental Administrative, Public Safety Communications, Healthcare, Public Health

The target audience for this course includes:
- Federal, state and local food investigators/inspectors
- Food safety and defense personnel responsible for food incident response
- Food industry personnel responsible for food safety
- Food safety program managers
- Personnel from state emergency management agencies
- State homeland security office
- State and local EPA
- Public health epidemiologists
- Public health personnel
- Environmental health professionals
- Veterinary epidemiologists
- School program officials from state departments of education
- Cooperative extension service personnel
- Laboratory staff
- Import officers
- Department of Defense (DoD) personnel responsible for food defense
- Food industry personnel responsible for food safety
- Public Information Officers (PIOs) from the various agencies represented