



Pennsylvania Department of Health

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SUBJECT: Hazardous Material Awareness Course on TRAIN PA

TO: PA EMS Regional Educational Coordinators
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Effective September 2, 2025, an updated 6-hour Hazardous Materials Awareness Course will launch on TRAIN PA. This course is produced by the Office of the State Fire Commissioner and the Pennsylvania State Fire Academy. The previous 4-hour Hazardous Material Awareness program will be retired.

If you are currently enrolled in the current 4-hour Hazardous Material Awareness program, please complete the course prior to 2359 hours on September 1, 2025. If you do not complete the course by that time, the course will be shut down and you will be required to enroll and complete the 6-hour Hazardous Materials Awareness Course.

The 6-hour course delivers essential awareness-level training to help you recognize hazardous materials, understand the risks, and know how to respond safely and appropriately. This course meets the requirements identified in 29 CFR1910.120, NFPA 470 and National EMS Education Standard (2021).

If you take the Hazardous Material course through TRAIN PA, the Con Ed will automatically register in your EMS Account if opted for EMS continuing education credit. This course is also available through Office of the State Fire Commissioner and the State Fire Academy's Acadis System. That con ed will be submitted to the Bureau on a quarterly basis. Whichever location you take the course, it is free. There is no Professional Certification (ProBoard/IFSAC) associated with these courses.

Should you have any questions, please contact Education Manager, Timothy Reitz - timreitz@pa.gov