Principles & Practices of Biosafety
June 7 - 12, 2015
St. Louis, MO

A COMPREHENSIVE, INTERACTIVE 5-DAY COURSE

*Principles & Practices of Biosafety* will introduce the essential elements of biosafety and provide extensive resource lists for use after the course. Interactive exercises will be used throughout to provide hands-on experience and to encourage networking and problem-solving among participants and instructors. Sessions begin at 8:00 am each day and end with a roundtable discussion between 5:15 and 5:30 pm with two coffee breaks and lunch provided. The Friday session will end at approximately 3:00 pm.

**OBJECTIVES**

At the end of the course each participant will be able to:

- Describe potentially hazardous biological materials, the risks associated with their use, and the means to minimize risk and to protect against or prevent release or exposure
- Discuss ways to provide effective technical expertise in situations involving potentially hazardous biological materials
- Identify, locate, and efficiently use key biosafety resources

**WHO SHOULD ATTEND?**

This course is designed for persons who are entering the profession and those with up to three years experience in biosafety. It is also suitable for persons who supervise biosafety professionals and for those who will benefit from additional knowledge of biosafety as a complement to their primary responsibilities.

**AGENDA (subject to change)**

**Sunday, June 7**
- Welcome Reception

**Monday, June 8**
- Molecular Biology
- Introduction to Pathogenic Microbiology
- Risk Assessment

**Tuesday, June 9**
- Human Source Materials & Mammalian Cell Lines
- Research Animals & Allergens
- Biocontainment Equipment
- Course Dinner (6:30 to 9:00 pm)

**Wednesday, June 10**
- Biocontainment Facilities
- Biocontainment Practices
- Biocontainment Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)

**Thursday, June 11**
- Decontamination
- Disposal
- Emergency Response
- Biosecurity

**Friday, June 12**
- Shipment and Transfer of Biological Materials
- Strategies for Effective Biosafety Management & Communication
COURSE FACULTY (not all listed faculty may serve as instructors at this offering)

LouAnn Burnett, MS, CBSP       Paul Jennette, MS, PE, RBP       Jeffrey Owens, MS, MPH, CBSP
Patrick Condreay, PhD          Michelle McKinney, MS, CBSP       Elizabeth Weirich, MS, CBSP
Hallie Hoskins, RBP, CBSP      Paul Meechan, PhD, MPH, RBP, CBSP  Dee Zimmerman

Additional faculty may be added

COURSE FEES

**ABSA Members** $2,000   **Nonmembers** $2,210

*Participation is limited to 40 students.*

Course fees include:

- Five full days of interactive instruction from a diversity of well-respected biological safety professionals.
- Course notebook with instructor’s handouts, key resource lists, and a variety of critical biosafety information and resources.
- Lunch, beverages, and snacks for all course days.
- Welcome Reception on Sunday evening and Class Dinner on Tuesday evening (subject to change).

CONTACT HOURS

This course is approved for 36.50 P.A.C.E.® contact hours. The American Biological Safety Association is approved as a provider of continuing education programs in the clinical laboratory sciences by the ASCLS P.A.C.E.® Program.

ACCOMMODATIONS

A block of rooms has been reserved for **ABSA** at the **Embassy Suites St. Louis, MO**

$169/night plus tax

**EMBASSY SUITES ST. LOUIS - DOWNTOWN**

Booking early allows us to make sure that all participants receive the same discounted rates. The block of rooms will be available until sold out or May 17, 2015 whichever comes first.
### REGISTRATION - PRINCIPLES & PRACTICES OF BIOSAFETY—ST. LOUIS, MO

Name (First, Middle Initial, Last): ________________________________

Degree(s): ______________________ Position Title: ________________________________

Affiliation: ________________________________________________________________

Address: _________________________________________________________________

City: __________________________ State: ________ Country: ________ Zip/Postal Code: ________

Phone: __________________________ Fax: ________________________________

E-mail: ________________________________

Emergency contact (include phone number): ________________________________

How long have you been involved in or around biosafety? ________________________________

### Dietary Restrictions:
At each meal, several options will be presented; however, not all meals may be suitable for all persons. We will do our best to accommodate your **reasonable** requests. We regret that we cannot accommodate last-minute or onsite requests.

- [ ] vegan (strictly vegetable products)
- [ ] vegetarian (dairy, egg okay)
- [ ] vegetarian (plus fish/seafood)
- [ ] lactose-intolerant (no dairy)
- [ ] other restrictions (please specify): ________________________________

### Payment:

- [ ] ABSA Member $2,000 U.S.D.
- [ ] Nonmember $2,210 U.S.D.
- [ ] Check enclosed (drawn in a US Bank on US funds; made payable to American Biological Safety Association)
- [ ] Visa  [ ] MasterCard  [ ] American Express

Credit Card Number: ________________________________  Exp. Date: ____________

Name on Card: ________________________________

**Confirmed, paid participants will be sent detailed information about the course, location, and other items of interest. Substitutions allowed with notice by January 25, 2015. There is a 15% processing fee for cancellations received before May 10, 2015. Cancellations between May 10, 2015 and May 31, 2015 will be refunded at 50% of the course fee. No refunds will be given after May 31, 2015. Cancellation fees may be waived if there is a waiting list and a replacement can be made - 15% processing fee will apply.**

### Register by mail or fax:
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