

E-Learning Course Catalog



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**VFISU Course Catalog and Program Description**

**A LEVEL – AWARENESS ORIENTED PROGRAMS**

**A001 Safety Basics for Emergency Responders**

This course provides an introduction to emergency responder basic safety practices and responsibilities.

**A002 Creating a Culture of Safety in Your ESO**

This program reviews the concept of safety culture and its application to your organization.

**A003 The True Relationship of Safety to Risk Management**

This program will provide guidance in understanding the true relationship between safety and risk management as applied to emergency services.

**A004 Situational Awareness – The Basics**

This program is intended to provide you with a very brief overview of the concept of situational awareness, its impact on your safety and your need to practice it.

**A005 NFFF 16 Life Safe Initiatives**

This program introduces you to the 16 Life Safety Initiatives established by the National Fallen Firefighters Foundation.

**A006 Cancer and the Firefighter – An Awareness**

This program provides an introduction to cancer’s impact on emergency responder and how to manage related exposures.

**A007 Firefighter Cancer Resources to Assist You**

This program is intended to help you understand the value and resources available from the Firefighter Cancer Support Network to assist your organization in understanding, preventing and dealing with the risk of firefighter cancer.

**A008 Workplace Violence Awareness**

This program provides an awareness of the issues and actions to take to manage incidents of violence or threats of violence in the workplace.

**A009 Wash Your Hands to Prevent the Spread of Germs and Carcinogens**

The purpose of this program is to help you understand the value of handwashing and the proper way to wash your hands, with special emphasis on preventing the spread of carcinogens.

**A010 Paratransit Safety Operations – An Introduction**

This program provides an introduction of the value of a paratransit van vehicle safety program and the basic content of that program.

**A011 Cellular Telephone Use In Emergency Medical Services**

This session will review challenges and risk management techniques associated with Cellular phone use in emergency medical services.

**A012 Bariatric Patient Handling Logistics**

This session discusses the needed resources, patient lifting and handling as well as transport of bariatric patients, to prevent emergency responders putting the patients, themselves and others at risk of injury.

**A013 Talking About and Responding to Firefighter Cancer**

This class is intended to help you understand how to deal with the situation when someone tells you they have cancer and where to go to for assistance.

**A014 Junior Membership Programs**

This program is intended to provide information on the value of Junior programs and key points in developing and managing these programs

**A015 Kitchen Safety in the Fire-EMS Station**

This program will focus on safety issues relative to the kitchen and food preparation in Fire and EMS stations.

**A016 Workplace Noise and Hearing Protection**

This program will focus on the effects of noise on a member’s hearing and the importance of using hearing protection.

**A017 Personal Protective Equipment**

This program will focus on your organization’s use of personal protection equipment (PPE) and personnel safety.

**A018 Bullying in Fire & EMS Agencies**

This program will provide an understanding of what bullying is and how to prevent or respond to bullying, if encountered in your organization.

**A019 Distracted Driving**

This program discusses the application of distracted driving principles and impacts upon fire and EMS personnel.

**A020 Progressive Discipline in Fire & EMS Agencies**

This class is intended to help you understand the concept of progressive discipline and how to apply it to the emergency services.

**A021 Intersection Safety: An Introduction**

This program is intended to provide an introduction on intersection driving safety to help you with operating for a safe arrival.

**A022 Emergency Vehicle Driver/Operator Requirements**

This program is intended to assist you in the understanding of the need for and application of emergency vehicle driver-operator requirements.

**A023 Solar Energy Fire Safety Considerations**

This program is intended to help you understand the safety issues of solar power that fire and EMS personnel may encounter.

**A024 Emergency Vehicle Response Guidelines**

This program is intended to assist you in understanding basic emergency vehicle response guidelines to include in such a program and how to integrate the guidelines into your organization.

**Recruiting and Retaining the Next Generation (coming soon)**

This program provides a background on recruiting and retaining “millennials” – the next generation

**100 LEVEL – FUNDAMENTAL TOPIC TRAINING**

**101 Distance Learning in Emergency Service Agencies**

This course provides an overview of the history of distance learning, its application to emergency services and provides tips on how you can use distance learning in your organization.

**102 Risk Management in Fire and EMS Agencies (coming soon)**

This course discusses the risk management process and its application to Emergency Service agencies.

**103 Leadership**

This course is designed for future leaders, or current leaders. The session provides a discussion on the concept of leadership in the emergency services, introducing several different perspectives and applicable situations involving leadership, and allows the participant to consider tools and techniques for individual application.

**104 Seat Belt Safety**

Wearing your seat belt can result in fewer, less impacting injuries and death in accident situations. We at VFIS believe so strongly in the use of seat belts that we have compiled this on-line training program of emergency service seat belt informational pieces to influence and support your fire/EMS department’s use of seat belts.

**105 Drive Safe**

Drive Safe is a short, hard-hitting program on personal responsibility and mindful driving. It is suggested as mandatory training for all new employees/members and serves as an excellent refresher and awareness course regarding driving safe and distracted driving impact.

**106 Sexual Harassment Prevention**

This program discusses issues and concerns regarding sexual harassment and preventive practices to manage your organization's risk. The program provides annual refresher type content.

**107 Bloodborne Pathogen - Contagious Disease 2017 Annual Refresher Training Program**

This program provides the content and guidance for meeting the annual refresher training requirements for Bloodborne Pathogen and Communicable Disease for emergency service personnel.

**108 Reputational Management for Emergency Service Organizations**

This program reviews the concepts of reputation management, the application of these concepts to Emergency Services, the research and leadership programs developed by Cumberland Valley Volunteer Fireman’s Association, and the steps you can take to manage reputational risk in your organization.

**109 Background Investigations for Fire & EMS Agencies**

This program discusses the reasons Fire and EMS agencies should conduct background checks and the process to be used to assure members are free from backgrounds of concern.

**110 Ergonomic Issues for Fire & EMS Personnel**

Strains and sprains are the most frequent cause of fire and EMS personnel being injured in the workplace. These are considered ERGONOMIC related injuries. This program reviews the implementation of engineering controls, administrative controls, or a combination of both to reduce back injuries

**111 Social Media Issues, Concerns and Remedies for Fire & EMS Agencies**

Social media, social networking, websites, and related venues have increased the opportunity for members of emergency service organizations to communicate. However, these communication opportunities create potential management challenges and related liabilities if there are no controls in place. This course will discuss the issues, concerns, and necessary actions to deal with this topic.

**112 Managing Fire & EMS Agency Financial Systems**

Managing Fire and EMS Agency Financial Systems is an important aspect of leading an organization in the 21st century. Thefts, embezzlement or similar loss situations create not only a financial challenge for the organization, but presents a negative image in the community. This program reviews the financial management issues that need to be well managed with emphasis on implementing specific systems providing checks and balances for managing funds.

**113 Recruitment & Retention of Emergency Service Personnel**

This program will review the findings of various research projects on recruiting and retaining emergency response personnel. Techniques of success will be reviewed along with case studies. Four key factors of any recruiting and retaining efforts will be discussed.

**114 Slip, Trip & Fall Prevention**

This program is intended to assist the student in understanding the causes and impacts of slips, trips and falls in emergency service operating environments.

**115 Ten Key Issues Affecting Safe Vehicle Operations**

This program discusses "Ten Key Issues Affecting Safe Vehicle Operations" based upon research and experience of VFIS in insuring emergency service vehicles and conducting vehicle safe driving research and training for over 40 years.

**116 Privately Owned Vehicle (POV) Operations - Answering the Call Safely**

This course is designed to aid in the national effort to reduce privately owned vehicle (POV) crashes. VFIS has designed this program to help emergency services organizations provide proper training and develop standard operating guidelines to help reduce the risk associated with driving POV’s.

**118 In Station Safety**

This course is intended to provide guidance for the best practices in Station Safety.

**119 Let’s Talk – Sexual Abuse and Misconduct**

This program takes an honest look at child sexual abuse in a variety of settings that provide services to children and teenagers, including fire/EMS agencies. This session offers considerations to help prevent child sexual abuse.

**120 Workplace Violence Issues for Fire & EMS Personnel**

This program is designed to provide an operational understanding of the awareness of the issue, prevention techniques to take and actions necessary when events occur.

**121 Strain and Sprain Prevention**

This course provides an overview of the causes of strain and sprain injuries to fire and EMS personnel as well as information on how to prevent the incidents from occurring.

**122 Disaster Planning for Emergency Service Organizations**

This course provides the student with an understanding of the process, as well as the details of good disaster planning and business continuity. A workbook is provided in the VFISU File Center.

**123 Lockout-tagout for Fire & EMS Personnel**

This program applies to firefighter involvement with equipment and circumstances in which the unexpected energization or start up or release of stored energy could cause injury to firefighters or civilians.

**124 Hazard Communication (coming soon)**

This course provides the student with an understanding of the need to have knowledge of the hazard communication standard and its application in public safety.

**125 Recommendations Related to Reducing Known Risk of Cancer in Firefighters**

The InterAgency Board (IAB) released a document entitled “Recommendations Related to Reducing Known Risks of Cancer in Firefighters”; and had given VFIS permission to share this report and program with the fire and EMS community to help reduce cancer cases in fire &EMS personnel.

**126 Fire Service Safety Culture – Part 1- Definition (coming soon)**

This program defines what a fire safety culture is and a series of key points to help understand it.

**127 Fire Service Safety Culture – Part II – Creation (coming soon)**

This program provides guidance in how to develop a fire service safety culture.

**200 LEVEL - SKILLS TRAINING**

**201 Incident Investigation – An Introduction**

This program provides the background on why conduct incident investigations and how to conduct an incident investigation. Forms are provided for use within the VFIS File Center.

**207 Safe Backing Practices for Emergency Services**

This course discusses the causes of backing accidents and how to prevent them.

**210 Emergency Vehicle Rollover Prevention**

This program discusses the causes of emergency vehicle rollover incidents and how to prevent them from occurring.

**211 Who Holds the Key to Safe Emergency Vehicle Operations**

The goal of this program is to increase vehicle operation safety via a “team approach” with emergency service organization leadership playing a very active role.

**212 Wingspread VI (coming soon)**

This program provides details of the Wingspread report series background and content of Wingspread VI in providing insight into the issues facing fire and emergency medical services for the next decade.

**400 LEVEL – SPECIALIZED TRAINING – STATE SPECIFIC**

**401 – FASNY OSHA Annual Refresher Training**

This course is designed to assist you in meeting the requirements for annual safety related training in New York. A packet is included in the VFIS University File Center with appropriate reference materials and “sign-off” sheets for competency review.

**402 – NC - Who Holds the Key to Safe Emergency Vehicle Operations**

Based upon North Carolina data and experience, the goal of this program is to increase vehicle operation safety via a “team approach” with emergency service organization leadership playing a very active role. A summary of effective North Carolina vehicle safety initiatives is included.

**403 - PA – Recruitment and Retention Successes in Pennsylvania**

This program discusses the successes encountered by over 30 Fire and EMS agencies in Pennsylvania using funding from the Firemen’s Association of the State of Pennsylvania SAFER Grant.

**404 - PA – Recruitment and Retention Successes in Pennsylvania – Part II (coming soon)**

This program discusses the successes encountered by 15 additional Fire and EMS agencies in Pennsylvania using funding from the Firemen’s Association of the State of Pennsylvania SAFER Grant.



**Target Solutions classes free on VFISUniversity**

CAPCE Allergies and Anaphylaxis Advanced

CAPCE Burn Management Advanced

CAPCE Driving Safely

CAPCE Fundamentals of 12 Lead ECG Operation Interpretation

CAPCE HIPAA Awareness

CAPCE Pediatric Cardiac Arrest Advanced

NFPA 1500 Bloodborne Pathogens Safety

NFPA Driving Safety

NFPA Hazard Communication