

EMA-G289 PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICER (PIO) AWARENESS

Hosted by: Montgomery County Emergency Management Agency

August 25, 2022

Course Description: The Public Information Officer (PIO) Awareness Course is a “Free” course designed to familiarize participants with the concepts underlying the PIO role. The material provides a basic understanding of the PIO function for those new to the position. It orients the participants to the public information function and the role of the PIO in the public safety / emergency management environment. This training forms the foundation for more advanced training that takes participants from the awareness level to the mastery level in their public information careers. Additionally, it provides those in executive level roles the necessary knowledge of PIO roles and responsibilities during an emergency.

Application Deadline: August 11, 2022

Time of Course: Check-in: 7:30 am – 8:00 am
Course Time: 8:00 am – 5:00 pm

Location: Online via Microsoft Teams

Supported By: The Ohio Emergency Management Agency



Recommended Participants: The primary audience for this training is individuals who have public information responsibilities as their main job or as an auxiliary function at the federal, state, local, tribal, or territorial level of government, and in the private and nongovernmental sectors.

Recommended Prerequisite: IS-100.c Introduction to Incident Command System and IS-909 Community Preparedness: Implementing Activities for Everyone

Enrollment: Students must enroll via the Department of Public Safety Training Campus website: <https://learning.dps.ohio.gov/PSTC/>. Course registration will generally close 10 working days prior to the course start date. You can check enrollment/approval status via the Department of Public Safety Training Campus website.

Microsoft Teams: If you do not already have a Microsoft account, you will need to sign up for one. There is no cost associated with setting up an account. Please let the State Point of Contact know if the email you use is different from the email you have on file with your Public Safety Training Campus profile.

Course Costs: This course is free to participants

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It is the goal of Ohio EMA to ensure that all students have the tools necessary for successful course completion. If students require additional accommodations, they should make the Ohio EMA training office aware, and staff will confidentially meet reasonable requests.

Mission Statement

To coordinate activities to mitigate, prepare for, respond to, and recover from disasters.