

# **SPONSORED BY THE US ARMY MEDICAL COMMAND**

## **Accreditation Statement**

The US Army Medical Command is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

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## **Credit Designation**

The US Army Medical Command designates this activity for a maximum of 16 hours in category 1 credits toward the AMA Physician's Recognition Award. Each physician should claim only those credits that he/she actually spent in the activity.

## **Statement of Need**

The planning committee for this activity has determined that an important need exists to provide military medical personnel (physicians, nurses, physicians' assistants, and certain corpsmen) with the information that they can use to manage chemical and biological agent casualties, both in the field and in a fixed facility.

1. The planning is based on the Department of Defense Medical Readiness Strategic Plan which states:

Medical Management of Chemical and Biological Casualties Course shall be a tri-service course and expanded to meet the tri-service deployment requirements.

The MMCBC Course shall be required for the selected primary care physicians (ER, GMO, peds, family practice, internal medicine), PAs, nurse practitioners, special forces medics, and independent duty corpsmen.

The MMCBC Course skills shall be sustained (3-5 year) via CD ROM, VTT, VTC, correspondence, in-house course, road shows.

DAPAM 50-6, May 17 1991, Chapter 6-3: Concept of Operations. "The Medical Response Team leader (whether permanently or temporarily assigned in this capacity) will attend Medical Management of Chemical Casualties Course conducted by U.S. Army Medical Research Institute of Chemical Defense (USAMRICD)."

The course is also required for medical personnel at depots where chemical and biological agents are stored.

A requirement for this course is also identified in the AMEDD Life Cycle Information, DoD mandated, IR 611.101, Quad Defense Review, GAO Report on NBC.

This course is also required in the Medical Corps Clinical track on Career Training Life Cycle of Physicians.

As stated in the planning of the MMCBC course: "The MMCBC Course skills shall be sustained (3-5 year) via CD ROM, VTT, VTC, correspondence, in-house course, road shows."

## **Learning Objectives**

At the conclusion of this activity, participants should be able to:

- Recognize the military terms for and the clinical effects of chemical and biological agents.
- Identify means of therapeutic intervention in both a medical center and a field environment.
- Identify methods of managing contaminated and uncontaminated casualties in a field environment or a fixed medical facility.
- Identify the historical aspects of chemical agent use in warfare and realize chemical and biological warfare capabilities practiced in the world today by countries or by terrorist groups.

## **Intended Audience**

This course is designed for Medical Corps and Nurse Corps officers, physician assistants, Medical Service Corps officers in specialties 67B, C, or E, and other selected medical professionals.

## **Information About This Enduring Material:**

Date of Issuance:	24 June 2001
Date of Expiration:	23 June 2004
Estimated Time to Complete:	14 ½ hours
Educational Format:	This educational activity is presented in a video format. Additional support materials are at <a href="http://ccc.apgea.army.mil/courses/video/facilitators.htm#mcbcvideo">http://ccc.apgea.army.mil/courses/video/facilitators.htm#mcbcvideo</a>

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COL Baxter served for 3 years as the XO for the CCCD at USAMRICD, as the Course Director for the Field Management of Chemical and Biological Casualties Course and an instructor for the Medical Management of Chemical and Biological Casualties Course.

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Frederick Sidell, M.D.

Consultant on Chemical Casualties

Dr. Sidell is an expert in the field of chemical casualties, and is considered an expert on the continuing education of physicians. As a Doctor of Medicine with a Bachelor of Science in Chemistry, his publications are well over 30.

## **Disclosure of Faculty Relationships**

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## **Acknowledgement of Commercial Support**

There is no commercial support associated with this educational activity.

## **Disclaimer Statement (optional)**

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## Instructions for Securing CME Credit

This activity has been granted Continuing Medical Education (CME) units by the Army Medical Department Center and School (AMEDDC&S). They require that MCBC physician attendees (military and civilian) complete on-line pre-registration and post-course evaluation. Should the student fail to complete the required registration and evaluation, CME will not be granted. Registration through (the website) is for CME purposes only. In order to receive credits for this activity you must register on the CME website, prior to attending this activity, and then complete an evaluation from the same CME website after completing the activity. Below are instructions for registering and completing the evaluation.

### To register for this activity:

- 1.) From a computer that has Internet access, connect to the following website:  
<https://conus.mods.army.mil/cmeweb/>
- 2.) Click on **Participants** in the picture.
- 3.) Click the **Current Activities & Registration** button on the left hand banner.
- 4.) Select **2003** in the Fiscal Year drop down box.
- 5.) Click the **Retrieve** button.
- 6.) Scroll down the list of courses and click on ID **0000-0000** (*you will get from the course facilitator*) "Medical Management of Chemical and Biological Casualties Course". Note the date for this course is *quarterly (you will get this from the course facilitator)*.
- 7.) A new window will appear with information regarding the course. After reading this information, click Register for Activity in the left banner at the top.
- 8.) Enter your login id and password and click the **Continue** button. **Note: if you don't have a login and password, skip to First Time Users, below.**
- 9.) A window will appear with your profile information on it. Verify your information is correct. Make any changes necessary. Scroll to the bottom of the window and click the **Register Now** button.
- 10.) A window will come up Thanking your for your registration.

### First Time Users:

- 1.) Click the **New Registrants** button.
- 2.) Enter your SSN, First Name, Last Name, Place of Birth, and Facility where you work and click the **Continue Registration Process** button.
- 3.) The Registration form window will appear. On the top left banner, you will see **Congratulations! Your new Login ID and Password are Login ID: Password:.** Take note of your login ID and Password because you will need it to complete the evaluation.
- 4.) Complete the registration form and click the **Register Now** button at the bottom of the form.
- 5.) You will see a new window with instructions to set your password. You can either keep the same password or enter a new one. After entering the password, twice, click the **Reset Password** button.

- 6.) If you have successfully entered a new password, a window will appear indicating your Success. At this point you have been registered for the activity.

### **To complete the evaluation for this activity:**

You may complete the evaluation for this activity after the course is completed. To complete the evaluation, do the following:

- 1.) From a computer that has Internet access, connect to the following website:  
<https://conus.mods.army.mil/cmeweb/>
- 2.) Click on **Participants** in the picture.
- 3.) Click the **LOGIN!!** button on the left hand banner. It's the 6<sup>th</sup> button from the top.
- 4.) Enter Userid and Password. Note: Userid and Password are NOT case sensitive.
- 5.) Click **Login** under the Password field. Note: *If you have problems connecting to this site, call 1-877-MED-ARMY, MENU 5.*
- 6.) Click **Update Profile** on the left banner. It's the 4<sup>th</sup> button from the top.
- 7.) Verify existing data in your profile is correct. Fill in the missing fields in your profile. Make any changes necessary. **NOTE: MAKE SURE YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS IS CORRECT, BECAUSE YOU'LL GET YOUR CERTIFICATE VIA EMAIL.**
- 8.) Click the **Update Profile** button at the bottom, to save changes to your Profile.
- 9.) Click on the **Evaluations** button at the bottom of the left hand banner.
- 10.) Click the **Medical Management of Chemical and Biological Casualties Course (0000-0000)** (*get this from your course facilitator*) link in the ACTIVITY NAME column in the table.
- 11.) Complete the CME Activity Evaluation and click the **Submit Activity Evaluation** button on the bottom.
- 12.) Your certificate will be e-mailed to you, using the email address in your Profile.

### **Additional Information:**

**CME for the course will not be granted to any physician attendee until all physician registrants have completed the evaluation or 60 days have passed, whichever comes first.**