Packaging and Shipping of Infectious Substances

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Alabama Department of Public Health – Bureau of Clinical Laboratories
8140 AUM Drive ~ Montgomery, AL 36117

DESCRIPTION
This one-day program focuses on the packaging and shipping regulations issued by the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) and the International Air Transport Association (IATA). It will provide a comprehensive overview of the regulations concerning identification, packaging and shipping, and documentation of laboratory specimens, some of which are regulated hazardous materials. Lectures and exercises will give the participants working knowledge of the regulatory aspects of packaging and shipping infectious substances categorized as 6.2 Hazardous Materials. Participants will be tested on their knowledge. Documentation of certification for training will be provided.

AUDIENCE
This course is designed for staff members of hospitals and/or laboratories who will be given the responsibility to package and ship laboratory specimens by ground carriers and air carriers.

FACULTY
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OBJECTIVES
At the conclusion of this training, the participant should be able to:
♦ Identify the regulators, their respective regulations, and their roles within their respective jurisdictions.
♦ Understand the training requirements of DOT and IATA and how these requirements relate to anyone who packages and ships certain laboratory specimens.
♦ Classify, mark, label, and document Division 6.2 Hazardous Materials (Infectious Substances).
♦ Have a working knowledge of the exceptions to the regulations and list when they can be used.

REGISTRATION
Online at:
https://www.adph.org/Extranet/Forms/Form.asp?formID=7737
(Copy and paste the link into a browser.)

SPECIAL NEEDS PARTICIPANTS
In compliance with the American with Disabilities Act, individuals requiring special accommodations should notify Sarah Hardinger at 334.260.3400 prior to the date of training.