# International Media Support Group

# In the HOT ZONE: Pandemic Precautions for Journalists

COVID-19 is a disease caused by a virus named SARS-CoV-2 and was discovered in December 2019 in Wuhan, China. Hospitals, nursing homes, urban areas and rural clinics are just some of the frontline locations Journalists have been reporting from. Covering pandemic related stories in known hotspots are a major risk to your health and safety. This course gives the skills necessary to safely cover assignments where there is a suspected or known high risk of COVID-19.

### **Core Components**

- Pandemic Overview & Current Trends
- OSHA Bloodborne Pathogens 1910.1030
- Transmission Methods
- Droplet & Airborne Precautions
- Risk VS Benefit and Planning
- Pandemic PPE Skills Lab
- CDC Donning & Doffing of Healthcare PPE
- Risk & Limitations of PPE
- Prophylaxis, Vaccination & Quarantine
- Managers & News Director Duties

### **Overview**

The course is designed to be delivered in person with a mix of lecture and hands-on skill stations.

The students will complete classroom education on the Bloodborne Pathogens and infectious diseases, meeting the OSHA 1910.1030 standard, a minimum for conducting work in a Healthcare setting.

Students will be guided by the instructor to don and doff the appropriate PPE based on specific high-risk newsgathering scenarios.

The in-person course includes extensive mock interviews with the use of full PPE in several different scenario locations. Students should be prepared to work in full PPE and meet the requirements of the OSHA respiratory standard for their organization.

## **Course Delivery Options**

#### 5-Hours in Person Class

- Maximum of 16 Students
- Includes one instructor
- Hands on skill simulations & roleplay
- Printed class handouts

Bespoke customization available for company specific needs.

Online delivery is available with modified course content.

Pricing is per class, Flat Rate plus Expense.

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