



Revisiting the OSHA Disaster Site Worker Course: Consensus Points

- The 7600 course, for pre-incident training, is a comprehensive and “outstanding” course. It should be accepted as the minimal standard.
- Anything < 16 hour course should not be given an OSHA number.
- In a disaster or emergency, train to meet the time and the need. But don’t label it a 7600 course if it doesn’t contain all the critical components of the 7600 course.
- Supervisors should receive the gold card training, too.
- It is more effective to teach workers before they rotate in the zone.
- Peer training is important/critical in the 7600 course.
- Site specific training should be in DSW course.



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- The 7600 course needs post-incident flexibility.
 - Allow instructor more authority to make judgment calls to cover topics.
 - Critical topics must be covered but flexibility should be allowed for site specific information.
 - Additional modules should be added to the course that the trainer can choose from (ICS, hurricanes, tornadoes. Earthquakes instead of WMD).
 - Flexibility does not equate to making the training shorter.