

Workshop Description

3/30/07 1:15 pm Workshop Block 5

34. Avian influenza awareness: Role of first responders (*HMTRI – Ron Snyder*) *Track: Emergency/Disaster Response and Preparedness*

This session will provide a technical update, but will primarily serve to familiarize NIEHS-funded trainers with an awareness program developed for their use to train stakeholders about responding to an Avian Influenza outbreak. Responders will be asked to maintain roadblocks, assist with sealing infected farms, halt movement of livestock, and assist the veterinarian-in-charge to facilitate the difficult task of depopulation, and deal with irate, despondent or frightened farmers and citizens. This session will also stress lessons learned in involving the local community in disaster training.