

Professional Profile Michael Gabennesch, CSP

Michael Gabennesch has been a Course Instructor, and member of the UC OLFS Adjunct Faculty staff since 1995; and has held progressive management positions within the safety & health profession for over 25 years.

Michael is a Certified Safety Professional (*CSP*), and a former Certified Hazardous Materials Manager (*CHMM*), Certified Healthcare Safety Professional (*CHSP*), and Certified Protection Professional (*CPP*).

He has completed more than 500 hours of training on hazardous materials and emergency response operations including:

- OSHA Industrial Emergency Responder: Technician Level,
- 16-hour Incident Command training,
- Hospital Emergency Incident Command System (HEICS),
- Planning, Development, and Operational Use of an Emergency Operations Center (FEMA),
- Emergency Management Exercise Design (FEMA),
- Decon for Hospitals (Ohio Fire Academy's Outreach Program), and
- Assessment, Treatment and Transportation of the Chemically Contaminated Patient in accordance with 29 CFR 1910.120 and NFPA 473

Michael has experience designing, controlling, and evaluating emergency response drills as well as tabletop, functional, and full-scale exercises for the U.S. Department of Energy and various full-service hospitals. He was the primary architect and consultant for the Greater Cincinnati Health Council's hazardous materials emergency response training series: HAZWOPER Awareness, Operations, and Incident Command levels; Patient Decontamination, and Drill Design & Evaluation.

Michael is a Professional member of the American Society of Safety Engineers, and serves as a volunteer Government Liaison for the Cincinnati Chapter of the American Red Cross Disaster Services.

Michael holds a BS in Fire and Industrial Safety Technology from the University of Cincinnati (*cum laude*), and Associate degrees in Safety/Risk Management, and Loss Control from Cincinnati Technical College (*cum laude*).