

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) Environmental Response Training Program (ERTP) Opportunity For External Providers

Does your organization have an established and recognized training program that routinely presents courses related to hazardous materials and/or emergency response?

Do you have the facilities, equipment, instructors, support personnel, and other necessary resources to present the courses?

Are you interested in providing this training commercially to both government organizations and private industry?

If so, then you can apply to be a member of the U.S. EPA Environmental Response Training Program (ERTP) for External Providers. As a member of this program, you will be authorized to present four of its most relevant and internationally recognized courses.

What are the requirements?

FACILITIES

The training organization requesting acceptance must have a suitable facility and the necessary space to present ERTTP courses.

EQUIPMENT

The organization must have sufficient primary and backup equipment and supplies available to present the course labs and exercises.

INSTRUCTORS

Instructors must have the necessary technical expertise, presentation skills, and most importantly, field experience in the subject matter being presented.

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A Unique Opportunity for Your Training Organization

What is ERTTP?

As a part of the U.S. EPA Office of Superfund Remediation and Technology Innovation, the ERTTP currently provides courses designed to improve the ability of people to safely and effectively respond to hazardous materials incidents. The incidents can range from responses to chemical, biological, or nuclear acts of terrorism to accidental spills of dangerous materials, to removal and remediation activities at abandoned waste sites.

What courses are currently offered?

The need to reach all personnel requiring such training in the private sector has given rise to the ERTTP's External Provider Program, which is designed to approve qualified trainers to teach the following courses that are based on the OSHA 29CFR 1910.120 standard:

- **Hazardous Waste Operations and Emergency Response (40 hours)**
- **Hazardous Materials Technician (24 hours)**
- **Air Monitoring for Emergency Response (16 hours)**
- **Sampling for Hazardous Materials (16 hours)**

Funding to present the training is not available from the U.S. EPA. Upon approval, electronic copies of all relevant course materials, including presentations, instructor guidelines, and student manuals will be provided by ERTTP free of charge.

How does my group apply?

In an effort to increase the number of training courses available to those responding to and working at these situations, the ERTTP is accepting applications from established training organizations to become providers of these courses. However, to ensure the U.S. EPA that the quality of its courses is maintained, organizations applying to become External Providers must agree to follow the quality assurance criteria established for the ERTTP.

Visit the External Provider Link at www.ertpvu.org