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### MEMORANDUM FOR ANG MEDICAL GROUPS

FROM: NGB/SG

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SUBJECT: Information on HazMat I.Q. "Above the line / Below the line" Training Opportunity

1. The Air National Guard (ANG) Medical Service is pleased to announce a fully funded training opportunity for our units, Wing leadership and responders. The course, HazMat IQ "Above the line / Below the line", is a ground breaking, decision making, instructional system designed to provide education and training experience for hazardous materials response. The course will be brought to your unit at no cost. It does not drive any additional tasks – it is training only.
2. The HazMat IQ, 16 hour contractor facilitated course, instructs the 'size-up' process enabling ANG leadership and military or civilian responders to maximize their response efficiency and effectiveness when faced with known and unknown substances. In addition, the highly successful course of *HazMat IQ* will aid incident commanders, responders or emergency management personnel in the identification of chemical and physical hazards, PPE determination, equipment needs for entry, initial zone identification and most importantly – the ability to define safe and effective environments for down-range personnel.
3. The course is mandatory for full-time Bioenvironmental Engineering and Emergency Management personnel. The instructor staff can accommodate up to 30 students per installation. Attendance is highly recommended for Wing leadership, EOC, CAT, Fire Department or other response personnel. If man days are available at your unit level, UTA/DSG are welcome to attend. We highly encourage installations to offer seats to local civilian emergency managers, civilian Fire/HAZMAT and other response personnel.
4. My POCs for scheduling information or questions on the HazMat IQ course are: Primary: Mr. Wayne Theurer, NGB/SGAXS Comm:(240) 612-9450 DSN:612-9450, [wayne.theurer@ang.af.mil](mailto:wayne.theurer@ang.af.mil) or Alternate: Mr. Brian Smith, NGB/SGAXS, Comm:(240)612-8588 or DSN:612-8588, [brian.smith.5@ang.af.mil](mailto:brian.smith.5@ang.af.mil).

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