



Saturday (One day)

27. Assisted Living Facilities your MCI waiting to Happen

Instructor: Frank Montes De Oca

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America's population is aging, which presents a multitude of significant fire and EMS challenges. Whether a former single-family residence transformed into a mom-and-pop retirement home or a multi-floor, corporate campus, Assisted Living Facilities are spreading, growing and posing potential disasters for responders. This class will explore case studies of past catastrophic events and share the presenter's firsthand experiences preparing responders to undertake operational plans and tactical actions to minimize tragedy.

About the instructor:

Frank Montes de Oca is a thirty-eight-year veteran of the fire and emergency services. Beginning as firefighter medic working through the ranks appointed to positions including Chief of EMS, Training Bureau Commander and senior operations officer for the Orange County (FL) Fire and Rescue Department. Later he was appointed as the Fire Chief and Emergency Services Director of a large combination department in the Orlando metro area. Now residing in North Carolina, Chief Montes de Oca remains active as a contributing editor for *The Pennsylvania Fireman* magazine serving first responders throughout Pennsylvania, Virginia and the southeast. He is an adjunct instructor for the National Fire Academy and is qualified to present programs for OSHA and EPA.