

V.I.P.E.R. WORKSHOP

Venomous Improved Preparedness For Emergency Responders

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What do you do when someone calls for help because a rattlesnake is sitting on the porch?

Or when you learn that someone is keeping cobras and black mambas in a closet?

You wouldn't send an untrained police officer to deal with an active shooter or hostage situation.

Sending someone without training to deal with a venomous snake is equally dangerous.

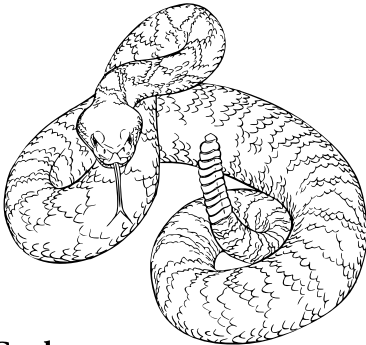
We have designed a professional, entertaining, and engaging course specifically tailored to give first responders the training they need to manage snake encounters safely and efficiently.

Police officers, sheriffs and deputy sheriffs, firefighters, animal control staff,
wildlife officers, and more will benefit.

Course Contents:

Our hands-on training will teach you:

- How to identify the snake,
- What tools you need, and
- How to use those tools.



This course will also teach you how to manage a venomous snakebite, which is a true medical emergency. We will show you:

- What to do,
- What not to do,
- What you should expect to happen, and
- How to contact the country's leading snake venom toxicologists.
- This medical information can be critical. Surprisingly, few physicians know how to treat a snakebite, and being able to share information on how to contact experts in the field can mean the difference between life and death.

Our Goals:

We want to reduce the risk our public servants face when they respond to calls and tips about venomous snakes by sharing our knowledge. These people put their lives on the line to keep us safe, and they deserve access to the best techniques available.

Registration:

The V.I.P.E.R. Workshop is limited to 25 professionals.

To reserve your seat, please email

sburke@annistonmuseum.org, or call 256-237-6261.

Seats are first come, first serve.



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