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03. Dual-Use and Gain-of-Function Research in Uncertain Legislative Times

A distance learning opportunity

April 9, 2025

12:30 – 3:00 PM (CDT)

Dual-Use and Gain-of-Function Research in Uncertain Legislative Times is a webinar designed for biosafety/biosecurity professionals and communicators to understand the changing landscape of biosecurity policy surrounding high-consequence of research. The goal is to understand the 2024 *United States Government Policy for Oversight of Dual Use Research of Concern and Pathogens with Enhanced Pandemic Potential* in advance of the May 6, 2025 implementation date, and work together to craft strategies for biosafety and biosecurity professionals to adapt institutional responses in light of continuing government action through, for example, the *Risky Research Review Act* under consideration in Congress. The webinar will be highly interactive, with a focus on practitioner views of the current policy and future uncertainty, led by a biosecurity expert with over 15 years' experience studying, teaching on, and crafting policy for biosecurity for a variety of national and international groups. By the conclusion of this webinar, participants will gain an understanding of how to ensure compliance goals are met in advance of the May implementation deadline but are responsive to the possibility of new regulatory requirements as early as the end of the year.

This webinar will be a 2.5-hour session on Wednesday, April 9 at 12:30 pm (CDT). For the webinar session, you should plan on logging in 15 minutes prior to the start time. You are required to attend the webinar sessions, complete and/or access all the modules in the course on the training site to receive the completion certificate through the ABSA International Training Site. The link in the invitation will be unique to the user and cannot be shared.

Upon completion of this webinar, participants will be able to:

- Finalize strategies for adopting the 2024 policy on dual-use research of concern and pathogens with enhanced pandemic potential
- Describe the emerging regulatory landscape and potential congressional action that may supersede this policy
- Work with others to develop best practices to prepare relevant biosafety and biosecurity decision-makers, and researchers, for future changes to the regulatory landscape

The webinar will be presented by the following subject matter expert: **Nicholas G. Evans, PhD**, Associate Professor, University of Massachusetts, Lowell, MA

WHO SHOULD ATTEND

- Biosafety professionals in government, industry, academic and other institutions/organizations
- Anyone who regularly communicates about biosafety with the public or non-biosafety professionals

COURSE FEES

___ ABSA Members	\$175.00 USD
___ Nonmembers	\$265.00 USD

To obtain the ABSA member rate, the participant will need to be an ABSA member in the **year** in which the training is offered. Course fees include: course handouts, access to the ABSA International training site, and 2 hours of interactive instruction from a well-respected subject matter expert.

Group Discount: 10% off registration for 3-4 participants from the same organization; 20% off registration for 5-9 participants from the same organization; 30% off registration for 10 or more participants from the same organization

QUESTIONS

Please direct questions about this webinar to:

Kari DeServi, MEd, Director of Education, ABSA Office, 866.425.1385 (toll free), Email: education@absa.org

*This course has been approved for 0.25 CM points toward RBP/CBSP recertification. *ABSA International is approved as a provider of continuing education programs in the clinical laboratory sciences by the ASCLS P.A.C.E.® Program. This course is approved for 2.5 P.A.C.E.® contact hours. The links to the various invitations for the course will be unique to the user and cannot be shared. The links are for single, individual use only. If more than one occurrence of an individual's name is on the Zoom attendee list or a name not of the roster, all instances will be removed from the webinar with no refund. The webinar and its associated links are for **single, individual** use only.*

Registration Form

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Affiliation: _____

*Address: _____

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For the group discount, please call the ABSA Office to register the participants.

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