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Section 14 Incident Response Plan

The Principal Investigator registered under 42 CFR 73 must develop and implement a written incident response plan. This plan must be coordinated with any entity-wide plans, kept in the workplace, and available to employees for review.

The incident response must fully describe the response procedures for:

- 1. the theft, loss, or release of a select agent or toxin
- 2. inventory discrepancies
- 3. security breaches (including information systems)
- 4. severe weather and other natural disasters
- 5. workplace violence
- 6. bomb threats
- 7. suspicious packages
- 8. emergencies
 - a. fire
 - b. gas leak
 - c. explosion
 - d. power outage

The response procedures must account for hazards associated with the select agent and toxin and appropriate actions to contain such select agent or toxin.

The incident response plan must also contain the following information:

- 1. The name and contact information (e.g. home and work) for the:
 - a. Principal Investigator,
 - b. Responsible Official,
 - c. Alternate Responsible Official
 - d. Building or facility manager
 - e. UK police department (including Medical Center section)
- 2. Personnel roles and lines of authority and communication
- 3. Planning and coordination with local emergency responders
- 4. Procedures to be followed by employees performing rescue or medical duties
- 5. Emergency medical treatment and first aid
- 6. A list of personal protective and emergency equipment and their locations
- 7. Site security and control
- 8. Procedures for emergency evacuation, exit route assignments, safe distances, and places of refuge
- 9. Decontamination procedures

The plan must be reviewed annually and revised as necessary.

Drills or exercises must be conducted at least annually to test and evaluate the effectiveness of the plan. The plan must be reviewed and revised as necessary, after any drill or exercise and after any incident.