

A Dedicated Safety Professional.

by Bill Gutierrez

Merriam-Webster® defines “Accomplished” as being established beyond doubt or dispute. As you look at Ian Marano’s list of accomplishments over the years, one can easily see he is a seasoned safety professional committed to furthering his education.

He is a veteran who has served in the Army Reserves/ Indiana Army National Guard as a Flight Medic and Civil Affairs Specialist. With four combat tours in Iraq and Afghanistan, he has held many safety-oriented positions during missions to support and enhance the civil/military safety posture through response, protection, prevention, and mitigation efforts. Additionally, as a career Firefighter/Paramedic, he served as a member of a FEMA Urban Search & Rescue team.



Ian Marano, CSHO, CRIS, ST/CHMM, COS, LPN

Even with all this experience, he took on the challenge of earning a Certified Safety and Health Official® (CSHO) certification with TEEX back in 2018. “For me, I knew that TEEX had been around and was quite established,” he said. He also knew he could leverage his all-hazards and safety and health skills even further by earning his TEEXCSHO®.

As a City of Indianapolis Firefighter/Paramedic, Ian was a member of Indiana Task Force 1 and took a course with TEEX in 2001. Fast forward to 2018. Ian was still in Indiana, which

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meant a 16-hour commute to the TEEEX OSHA Training Institute Education Center in Mesquite, Texas.

He decided to put his CSHO on hold due to the amount of travel but the pandemic changed things. “I learned that TEEEX was offering Live Online Instructor-Led training courses and knew I had to take the opportunity to complete my TEEEXCSHO,” he stated.

Ian earned his CSHO in Construction Industry, but continued with his CSHO in General industry earning the coveted “dual” CSHO designation. When asked why earning his CSHO through TEEEX was so important, Ian explained, “TEEEX is thorough and the instructors also have a wide knowledge base. A big benefit to taking TEEEX course is networking with classmates as well as sharing resources especially with remote online training. As I took courses, I began to prepare an extensive list of notes with lots of valuable information.”

Now Ian looks at his TEEEXCSHO® as ammunition that he can apply on a daily basis. He said, “A part of being a safety professional is also being creative while exercising your knowledge. But you have to remember, this knowledge is perishable and you have to stay on top of it.” Yet another reason to earn his CSHO with TEEEX.

By leveraging his all-hazards skills, leadership, and occupational safety and health education, Ian contributes positively to a culture of safety in a broad-spectrum of applications. “That’s another reasons I chose TEEEX,” he asserted. “It is a broad-spectrum set of courses. You get what you pay for and you want to take courses from a resource that has a great brand name behind it,” he added.

In the end, Ian Marano is an accomplished occupational safety and health professional because of his dedication to service, determination and hard work.

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