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It is important to know and understand that the team will not take control of the incident but will assist the Incident Commander in mitigating the incident. Team members can serve as advisors, technical support, additional manpower, or perform technical entry to directly control or stop a leak. Individual team members also provide expertise in select areas of Hazardous Materials Response.

**Formation:**
The NHIT Team was formed in 1987 at the direction of then Governor Kay Orr to provide a diverse response to Hazardous Materials Incidents throughout the State of Nebraska to protect its citizens. The team is comprised of members of the Nebraska State Patrol, The Nebraska State Fire Marshal’s Office and the Nebraska Department of Environmental Quality. All team members are trained to the Technician Level in accordance with NFPA 472 and OSHA 1910.120. and can assist in any and all aspects of an incident.

To request assistance from the NHIT team at no cost to your agency, contact your local State Patrol Dispatch center either directly or through your local dispatch center. Advise them that you are requesting assistance from the Nebraska Hazardous Incident Team and provide them with as much of the information listed in this brochure as known at the time of request. The State Patrol Dispatch center will then contact the four closest team members to the incident to have them respond to your request. One team member will then contact the person requesting assistance to help determine what resources may be necessary to help mitigate the incident and provide additional information to the requesting party to assist them in managing the incident until the team arrives on scene.

Team Members are located throughout the State and each member carries a vast array of personal protective equipment, air monitoring equipment, tools, and plugging and patching equipment. In addition there are four specialized hazardous materials response trailers located across the State to help expedite a response anywhere within the State of Nebraska.

**Purpose:**
The purpose of the Nebraska Hazardous Incident Team is to provide assistance to local emergency response agencies in the event of a hazardous materials incident either directly or indirectly. The team is capable of responding to any type incident from transportation incidents to fixed facilities. The team can also act as a liaison to be able to contact additional resources necessary to mitigate the incident. The team however will not be responsible for the clean up of the incident but again will assist the Incident Commander in making sure that the incident is cleaned up in a safe and complete manner.