EVIDENCE COLLECTION

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- Information contained in this presentation are general, accepted practices.
- Personnel should refer to their organizations policy and procedures for their specific guidelines.
OBJECTIVE

• Define evidence
• Define Chain of Custody
• Evidence Packaging
• Evidence Packaging Labeling
• Address Bioterrorism Concerns
EVIDENCE

• Show if crime committed
• Show involvement of individual(s)
• Exonerate the innocent
Chain of Custody

Purpose of Documentation

-- Identity of person discovering evidence
-- Proper marking of material
-- No opportunity for tampering
-- Shows custody at all times
Packaging Supplies

- Various sizes of PAPER sacks
- Sharpie Markers
- Packaging Tape
- Hard-sided containers
General Guidelines

• Clothes, shoes, stretcher sheets
  -- Place in large PAPER sack
  -- Initial and date

• Hairs, bullets, metal fragments
  -- Place in white / manila envelope
  -- Place envelope in larger sack
Labeling

• Mark each piece of evidence

• By
  – Date
  – Time
  – Your initials
  – What’s in it
Bioterrorism

- Proper PPE
- Same General Rules
- Place in Hard-Sided Container
- Decon container
SUMMARY

• Your Safety Comes First

• Mark each item and container