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Homeland Security – Defining Directives, Organization and Policies

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The Department of Homeland Security leverages resources within federal, state, and local governments. It coordinates the transition of multiple agencies and programs into a single, integrated agency focused on protecting the American people and their homeland. The mission of the department is to prevent terrorist attacks, reduce the vulnerability of the United States to terrorism; and minimize the damage and assist in the recovery from terrorist attacks that occur within the United States. This presentation will enhance participant's knowledge of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security by providing an in-depth evaluation of the objectives, policies and structural components of the department. The topics covered in this course include:

Learning Objectives

- Describe the evolution of the Department of Homeland Security
- Define the mission of the Department of Homeland Security
- Identify the organizational structure of the Department of Homeland Security

Competencies

- *Not applicable*

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