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Questions?

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What is the Medical Reserve Corps?

The Medical Reserve Corps resulted from President Bush's call to action in his January 2002 State of the Union address. For more information, please visit www.medicalreservecorps.gov.

As part of the Citizen Corps, the Medical Reserve Corps (MRC) organizes local volunteers to support their community's medical response during a large-scale disaster or public health emergency.

The Medical Reserve Corps at the Yale New Haven Center for Emergency Preparedness and Disaster Response is a team of trained volunteers, who, when called upon during a disaster, will support and enhance a local, regional or statewide hospital response.

Medical Reserve Corps Volunteers are...

- ★ Non-licensed healthcare workers
- ★ Retired or academic licensed healthcare professionals
- ★ Students enrolled in healthcare professional programs
- ★ Interested non-licensed community volunteers



BECOME A MEDICAL RESERVE CORPS VOLUNTEER.

What do MRC volunteers do?

Medical Reserve Corps volunteers make a difference!

Hospitals need many individuals with very different skills every day, so it is no surprise that they need even more of these people during a public health emergency or when a large-scale disaster strikes.

Active or retired healthcare professionals and students in healthcare programs such as medical and nursing school can assist with taking and recording patient vital signs and history. Hospitals will also need assistance with important patient and staff support services such as security, supply management, housekeeping, engineering and dietary. Individuals will be needed to answer phones and provide interpretive services. And many people will be needed to simply provide a cup of coffee or a shoulder to lean on for victims, their families and hospital staff.

Fortunately, large-scale disasters don't happen every day. So what are some types of activities that MRC volunteers can do when they are not responding to a disaster?

- ★ Talk to seniors at a local senior center about how they can be prepared for an emergency.
- ★ Give a presentation at a local community center, school or place of employment on personal and family emergency preparedness.
- ★ Teach a local Boy Scout/Girl Scout troop how to create an emergency first aid kit.

What are my responsibilities as a volunteer?

- ★ Initial Training:
 - On-line course: Emergency Management for Hospital Disaster Volunteers
 - Hospital Orientation
- ★ Deliver emergency preparedness presentations to community groups
- ★ Participate in biannual regional drills
- ★ Attend quarterly volunteer meetings
- ★ Participate as able and whenever requested in response to an actual disaster

Should I volunteer?

Factors to consider before applying to become an emergency response volunteer include:

- ★ Emergency response activities can be physically/emotionally draining.
- ★ Emergency response activities can be dangerous.
- ★ Emergency response activities can separate you from your family for extended periods of time.

While volunteers in the MRC are never under any obligation to participate during a disaster, we ask you to seriously consider these and any personal obligations you have prior to completing the application process.



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