

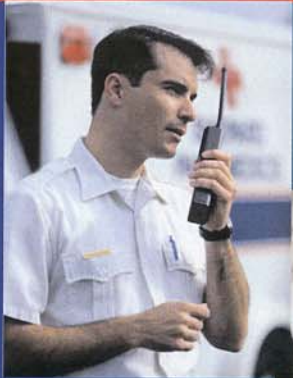
JOIN

the

Medical Reserve Corps



You can make a difference!



Be part of Westchester County's emergency response!

The Medical Reserve Corps (MRC) program, launched in July 2002, is sponsored by the Office of the Surgeon General, in cooperation with the White House's USA Freedom Corps and the Department of Homeland Security's Citizen Corps. The MRC, part of Westchester's Emergency Volunteer Reserves program (WEVR), strengthens communities by helping medical and public health volunteers offer their expertise. For more information about the national MRC program visit: www.medicalreservecorps.gov

The Westchester MRC program is being coordinated by the Westchester County Department of Emergency Services and The Volunteer Center of United Way.



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JOIN the Medical Reserve Corps



"Westchester's Medical Reserve Corps (MRC) gives medical and public health professionals a way to volunteer during a large-scale disaster or emergency.

These individuals have already proven they have the skills and dedication needed to care for their communities on a daily basis. Now they'll also have a role to play in a more widespread response.

The MRC is also the perfect complement to our Westchester Emergency Volunteer Reserves - a program that trains civilians to help in the event of an emergency."

County Executive
Andy Spano

Who Are We Looking For?

The MRC is looking for medical and healthcare professionals, including:

- Physicians
- Nurses
- Pharmacists
- Dentists
- Veterinarians
- Infectious disease specialists
- Mental health professionals
- Physician assistants
- Paramedics and EMTs
- Public health workers
- Allied health professionals

~ Retired medical and healthcare professionals are welcome.

~ Non-medical volunteers are also being recruited and trained to assist with registration, database entry, communications and other support functions.

What Will MRC Volunteers Do?

MRC volunteers may be called upon for any large-scale emergency, natural disaster, public health event or bio-terrorism incident in Westchester County. They may also supplement existing local public health initiatives (such as outreach and prevention efforts or immunization programs) and participate in emergency response drills. MRC volunteers will be registered in the county's Emergency Notification System and, when deployed, will work in coordination with civilian volunteers from the Westchester Emergency Volunteer Reserves.



Will I Receive Training?

Yes, all MRC volunteers will receive free training that consists of on-line, classroom and practical components. The curriculum includes:

- Clinic administration
- Personal Protective Equipment
- Shelter/reception center operations
- The Incident Command System
- Vaccine administration and inoculation procedures
- Medical supply dispensing
- The Strategic National Stockpile
- Bio-terrorism
- Medical Aid Station command

On-line training is available for a majority of the curriculum. Some class time will also be required. The on-line program was developed by the Westchester County Department of Emergency Services and the federal Centers for Disease Control.

To sign up for the Medical Reserve Corps, go to www.volcenterwest.org and complete a pre-registration form. You will then be sent an application form to complete the process.

For more information,
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1-866-VOL-CALL
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