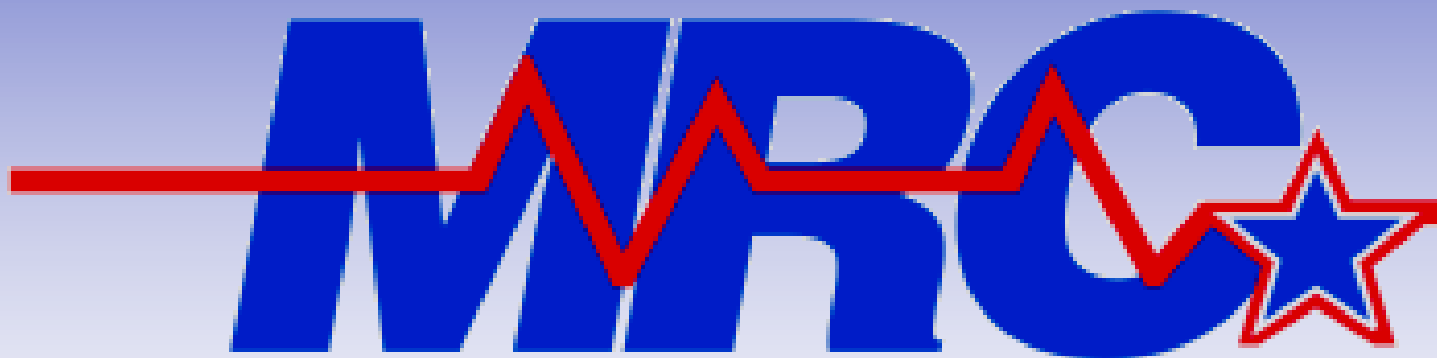


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Orientation Outline

- ★ Creation of the Medical Reserve Corps (MRC)
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- ★ Roles of the OKMRC
- ★ Strategic National Stockpile (SNS)
- ★ National Incident Management System (NIMS)
- ★ Safety
- ★ Communication
- ★ Training & Education



Creation of the Medical Reserve Corps



Events in 2001

- September 11, 2001 – a day that changed America
- Anthrax attacks in 2001

The question: How could we identify and mobilize sufficient numbers of health care professionals to respond to an emergency?



Creation of the MRC

- In 2002, the George W. Bush administration developed the concept of an organization that pre-identifies volunteers in order to prepare and respond to medical emergencies and public health initiatives.
- They named this volunteer organization the Medical Reserve Corps.



Creation of the MRC

- The MRC Program was officially launched as a national, community-based movement in July 2002.
- Today, the MRC is an integral part of community preparedness and response strategy across the country.



Volunteers Building Strong, Healthy & Prepared Communities

- The mission statement of the national Medical Reserve Corps (MRC) is to engage volunteers to strengthen public health, emergency response and community resiliency.



The National MRC

- The Office of the Civilian Volunteer MRC, sponsored by the Office of the U.S. Surgeon General:
 - Helps communities achieve their local visions for public health and emergency preparedness
 - Serves as a clearinghouse for information and best practices

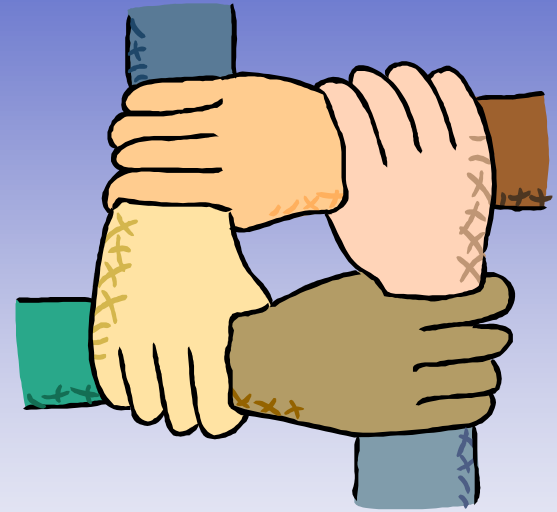


The MRC in Oklahoma



History of MRC in Oklahoma

- Four Original MRC grantees
 - 2003
 - Tulsa
 - 2004
 - Oklahoma City
 - Lawton
 - Oklahoma Nurses Association



History of MRC in Oklahoma

- Emergency System for Advance Registration of Volunteer Health Professionals (ESAR-VHP)
- Oklahoma ESAR-VHP = Oklahoma MRC



The Oklahoma MRC

- MRC Units in Oklahoma are part of the OKMRC
- The OKMRC coordinates the creation and sustainment of local units
- Coordinates deployment and response when multiple counties are involved
- Each OKMRC unit develops its structure according to the needs of their community



OKMRC – Statewide System

Unique Features of a Statewide System

- One registration application
- One Orientation
- One database
- One website
 - www.okmrc.org
- One statewide recognized ID badge



Vision of the OKMRC

The vision of the Oklahoma MRC is to enhance emergency preparedness and response capabilities by **supplementing** existing response infrastructures in local communities and secondarily, across the nation.



OKMRC Mission Statement

Identify, organize, train and sustain a cadre of medical, public health and community volunteers who will contribute **their skills and expertise** to emergency preparedness, response, and recovery efforts during times of community need and in ongoing public health efforts.



Local, State, Federal

- OKMRC volunteers are first utilized as **local** asset.
- If there is not a local need then OKMRC volunteers may be requested to assist other communities across the **state**.
- During a national disaster the **federal** government may request volunteers to aid other states.



OKMRC Specialty Units

- Oklahoma MRC Nurses (ONA)
- State Animal Response Team (Veterinarians)
- Oklahoma Disaster Relief MRC (Baptist General Convention)
- Stress Response Team (Mental Health)



Liability Protection for OKMRC Volunteers

“Volunteer Medical Professional Services
Immunity Act” Senate Bill 1287 enacted 2004

- “Section 34.G. “Any person participating in a Medical Reserve Corps and assisting with emergency management,..... shall not be liable for civil damages on the basis of any act or omission,



OKMRC Partners

- Oklahoma State Department of Health
- Emergency Medical Services Authority
- Oklahoma City County Health Department
- Tulsa Health Department



OKMRC Volunteers



Who Can Join?

Health Care Volunteers

- Physicians
- Nurses
- Pharmacists
- Veterinarians
- Dentists
- Paramedics/EMTs
- Mental Health Professionals
- Public Health Professionals
- Allied Health Professionals



Who Can Join?

Community Volunteers can help with:

- Communication
- Transportation
- Security
- Interpretation/
Translation
- Pastoral Support
- Public Works
- Administrative/Clerical
- Mechanical &
Technical



Steps to Participation

- Online Application & Orientation
- Criminal Background & Credential checked
- ID Badge
- Four (4) basic courses
 - Training may determine participation



Community Asset

Oklahoma Medical Reserve Corps Volunteers:

- Pre-identified and screened
- Credentialed, (license verified)
- Trained in the Incident Command System
- Identification Badges



Appreciation

The MRC values and appreciates the time and expertise of its volunteers.

- Volunteers will be treated with respect and dignity
- Contributions of time will be valued & honored
- Input from members is encouraged and appreciated



Volunteer Expectations & Involvement

- The MRC is a voluntary organization and participation will vary
- Volunteers are **encouraged** to participate in planned drills, exercises and trainings in order to stay current in their response roles



Volunteer Code of Conduct

- Members of the OKMRC serve as ambassadors for the OKMRC program
- Volunteers should conduct themselves in a professional manner
- Examples of conduct unbecoming an OKMRC volunteer are listed in the OKMRC Volunteer Handbook



Role of the OKMRC



OKMRC Units

Support local public health initiatives

- Promoting disease prevention
- Improving health literacy
- Eliminating health disparities
- Enhancing Public health preparedness



OKMRC Volunteers

Assist local hospitals and health departments with surge personnel needs.



Emergency Relief Nurses for McAlester Regional Hospital



OKMRC Volunteers

Participate in community emergency preparedness activities, such as exercises for shelters, mass prophylaxis, vaccination clinics and other emergency scenarios.



Drive through vaccine clinic



Strategic National Stockpile





What is the SNS?

Strategic National Stockpile (SNS) has large quantities of medicine and medical supplies to protect the American public if there is a public health emergency





Stockpile Mission

Deliver critical medical material to the site of an emergency

Steel on Target



Pills in People





NIMS – National Incident Management System



NIMS

- NIMS is a standardized on-scene incident management concept
 - Includes ICS –
Incident Command System





ICS Functions

ICS divides emergency response into five manageable functions:

- Command
- Operations
- Planning
- Logistics
- Finance and Administration





Unified Command

When an incident requires a complex response a Unified Command (UC) is established.

The UC is a structure that brings together the “Incident Commanders” of all major organizations involved in the incident in order to coordinate an effective response.



Safety



Individual & Family Safety

- Develop a family emergency preparedness **plan**
- Put together a **disaster kit** that meets your family's needs if directed to **evacuate** or to **shelter in place**
- Complete the OKMRC training – Family First: Developing an Emergency Plan



Event Safety

- **Do not self-deploy** – only respond when there is an official activation of the OKMRC
- Volunteers who self deploy are not provided liability coverage



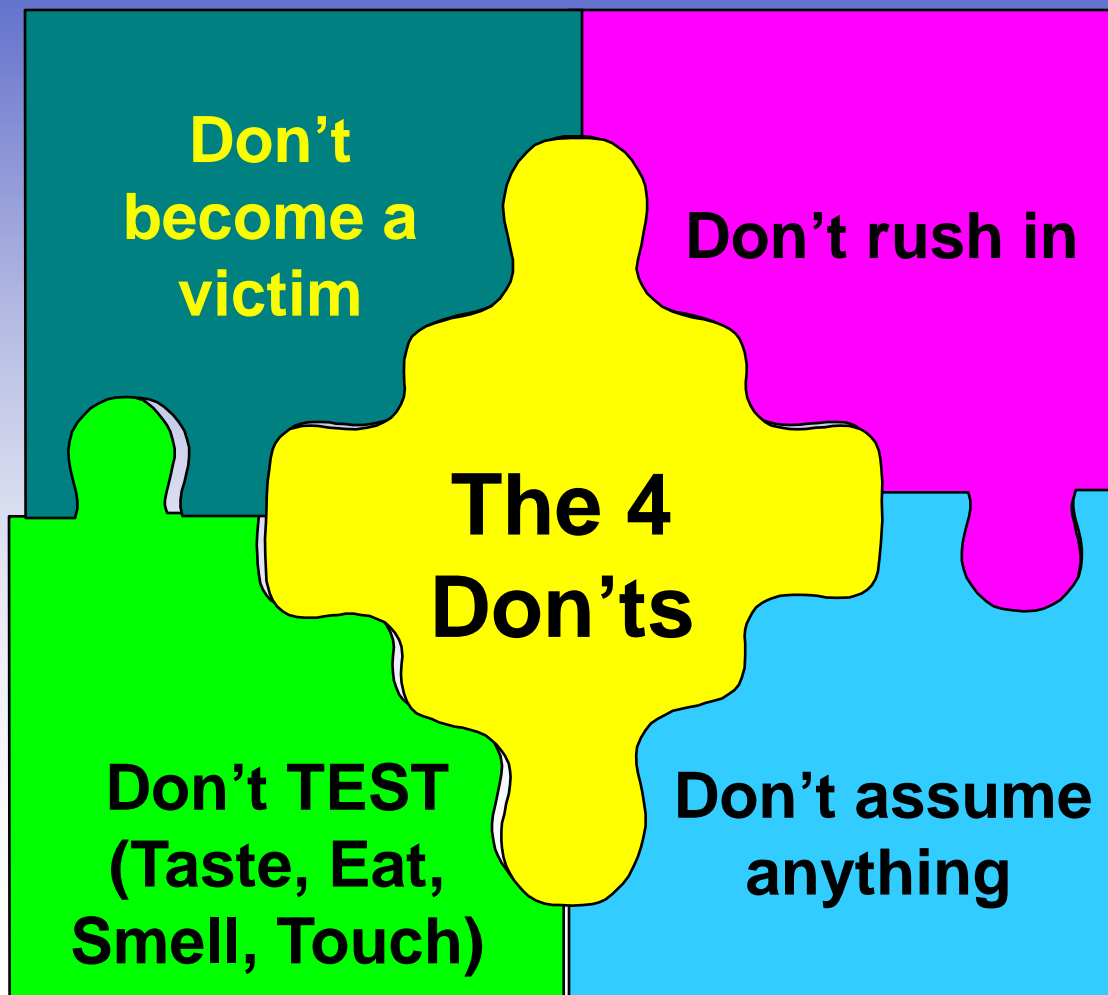


OKMRC Scene Safety

- Show your OKMRC badge
 - No entry without proper authorization
- Check in
- Report to your assigned supervisor
- Follow instructions
- Wear Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)



The 4 Don'ts



Communication





OKMRC Non-Emergency Communication

- Newsletter – The MRC Monitor
- Telephone
 - Automated mass phone system
- Email
- Website
- Facebook & Twitter





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OKMRC

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JUNE IS NATIONAL MEN'S HEALTH MONTH

Men's Health Month is celebrated across the country with screenings, health fairs, media appearances, and other health education and outreach activities.

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OKMRC Regional Map >>

Use this map to locate OKMRC units and Coordinators in your area.

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Calendar

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OKMRC Emergency Communications

- Automated Mass Phone System
- Mass E-mail
- Phone bank
- Mass Media
- OKMRC website
- Facebook & Twitter



Training & Education



Tier 1 Training

- **OKMRC Orientation**
 - This is the OKMRC orientation.
- **ICS 100b**
 - Available online FEMA website
- **NIMS 700a**
 - Available online FEMA website
- **Family First: Developing a Family Emergency Plan**
 - Available on the OKMRC website



Tier 2 Training

- CPR/First Aid
- Psychological First Aid
- ICS 200
- Core Disaster Life Support (eCDLS)
- Basic Disaster Life Support (BDLS)



Tier 3 & 4 Training

- Tier III courses may be required for deployment or to learn specific tasks at an agency, such as the local health department.
- Tier IV courses enhance knowledge of disasters and may include professional discipline specific content.



Additional Training Information

- Website training available on the Oklahoma MRC website
- Educational classroom training sessions held on specific topics and posted on the website Events Calendar.
- Volunteers maintain their own training records
- Certain levels of deployment will require specific courses.



OKMRC Events Calendar



The screenshot shows a website with a blue header and navigation menu. The main content area is titled "Calendar" and features a list of events. On the right, there is a "Contact Us" section with an email icon and buttons for "JOIN MRC" and "LEARN MORE". Below that is a "Photo Gallery" and "The MRC Monitor Newsletter" link. A "Welcome, Loren Stein" message is displayed. At the bottom right, there is a "Make this Page My HOME PAGE" button with a house icon and instructions to drag the link to the browser's home page button.

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- 07/07 - Pottawatomie County MRC Meet & Greet
- 07/09 - CERT Refresher
- 07/14 - Pottawatomie County MRC Meeting
- 07/14 to 07/16 - OK, Co Citizen Emergency Response Training(CERT)
- 07/16 - AHA CPR, BLS
- 07/16 - AHA First Aid, BLS
- 07/26 - Garvin/Murray MRC
- 07/28 to 07/30 - Cleveland Co. CERT

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OKMRC Events Calendar

OKMRC PREPAREDNESS VOLUNTEERING VOLUNTEERS

Home

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- Mass Immunization Prophylaxis Strategy
- Events Calendar
- Volunteer Appreciation
- MRC & Homeland Security
- Volunteer Requirements
- Accountability of MRC
- Establishment of New Units
- Vision, Mission & Goals
- Online Training Resources

MRC Calendar

June 2011

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Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9 Advanced Hazmat Life Support Provider Program McCurtain County MRC meeting	10 Advanced Hazmat Life Support Provider - Day 2	11
12	13	14 Are You Prepared for a Tornado	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25



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