Medical Reserve Corps Monthly Report: August 2019

Monthly at a Glance

855 MRC units
180,557 volunteers

More than 15 MRC units devoted more than 200 hours to National Night Out outreach and training activities.

511 MRC activities reported

- Improved community preparedness: 284
- Participated in emergency response: 9
- Served a vulnerable population: 164
- Strengthened MRC unit: 292
- Strengthened public health: 248
- Supported non-emergency community event: 239
- Trained to improve response capability: 155

The number of activities notes the number of unique entries by MRC unit leaders for the current month. MRC unit leaders also select impact areas for each activity, which may include multiple categories. Thus, the numbers in the bar chart may not equal the total number of activities.

MRC: Building Strong, Healthy, and Prepared Communities

- In response to the mass shooting in Dayton, Ohio, the Clark County MRC (OH) helped victims and their families at a Family Assistance Center, providing support and mental health resources.
- 187 members of the Oklahoma Region 7 - Tulsa County MRC (OK) participated in the 2019 Oklahoma MRC Volunteer Workshop, which provided training on a variety of topics, including the Strategic National Stockpile and access and functional needs.
- At the Newport Jazz Festival 2019, members of the Rhode Island Medical Reserve Corps (RI) provided field hospital support, exercising their ability to respond to medical emergencies.
- The Medical Reserve Corps of North Idaho (ID) participated in a Crimson Contagion exercise that tested their ability to contact pre-verified licensed medical professionals using the Emergency System for Advance Registration of Volunteer Health Professionals (ESAR-VHP).
- Members of the McLean County Health Department Medical Reserve Corps (IL) supported back-to-school vaccination clinics, practicing roles they would also fill during a public health emergency that required mass dispensing.
- Monmouth County Health Department Medical Reserve Corps (NJ) members received training in operating a shelter database.
As part of the program’s monthly Well Check Webinar series, MRC staff hosted a webinar on August 6 that focused on best practices for MRC involvement in shelter operations. A recording is archived on the MRC website.

The Region 4 (AL, FL, GA, KY, MS, NC, SC, TN) MRC liaison shared information about Hurricane Dorian with MRC state coordinators.

The Region 6 (AR, LA, NM, OK, and TX) MRC liaison met with the Arkansas state coordinator and several prospective specialty MRC units to discuss the unit registration process, potential unit structures, and response triggers.

The Region 7 (IA, KS, MO, and NE) MRC liaison participated in a Crimson Contagion tabletop exercise conference call with Nebraska state officials and federal partners.

The Region 9 (AZ, CA, HI, NV, Guam, American Samoa, CNMI, FSMI, RMI, and Palau) MRC Liaison participated in Federal Emergency Management Agency calls on storm support for Hawaii.

The Region 10 (AK, ID, OR, and WA) MRC liaison provided meeting information and other assistance to those MRC volunteers selected for Disaster Medical Assistance Team (DMAT) 101 training.

Pictured: (above) MRC volunteers participate in DMAT 101 trainings; (below) on National Night Out, a Richmond City MRC volunteer teaches REVIVE!, the opioid overdose and naloxone education program for the Commonwealth of Virginia.

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