

The Medical Reserve Corps at Yale New Haven Center for Emergency Preparedness and Disaster Response

NATIONAL CORE COMPETENCIES FOR MEDICAL RESERVE CORPS VOLUNTEERS

The National MRC, in conjunction with the National Association of County and Health Officials (NACCHO), has identified eight basic core competencies for all MRC volunteers. This provides a framework for training that can be geared towards a common set of knowledge, skills and abilities. The MRC-YNH will assist you in meeting these competencies with our on-line training course(s) such as EM102HDV/NIMS, providing you with Just-In-Time training at the time of an event or participation in drills and exercises. This is an effective and efficient use of your time and an easy way to meet these basic core competencies.

All active members of the Medical Reserve Corps should be able to:

- ★ Describe the procedure and steps necessary for the MRC member to protect health, safety, and overall well-being of themselves, the team and the community.
- ★ Document that the MRC member has a personal and family preparedness plan in place.
- ★ Describe the chain of command (e.g., Emergency Management Systems, ICS, NIMS), the integration of the MRC and its application to a given incident.
- ★ Describe the role of the MRC unit in public health and/or emergency response and its application to a given incident.
- ★ Describe the MRC member's communication roles and processes with response partners, media, general public and others.
- ★ Describe the impact of an event on the mental health of the MRC member, responders and others.
- ★ Demonstrate the MRC member's ability to follow procedures for assignment, activation, reporting and deactivation.
- ★ Identify limits to own skills, knowledge, and abilities as they pertain to MRC role(s).

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