

The Tristate Medical Reserve Corps is part of a national network of local groups of volunteers committed to improving the public health, emergency response, and resiliency of their communities.

The Tristate Medical Reserve Corps includes 12 MRC units from Southwest Ohio, Northern Kentucky, and Southeast Indiana. The Tristate Medical Reserve Corps focuses on strengthening the public health infrastructure by preparing for and responding to natural or man-made disasters and/or public health emergencies in the community.

The Tristate Medical Reserve Corps is actively seeking medical professionals and others who want to donate their time to prepare for and respond to emergencies or disasters that may impact our community.

All volunteers registering with the MRC must be registered in their applicable state volunteer database.

OHIO

The Ohio Department of health is the coordinating agency for the Ohio Medical Reserve Corps. Ohio residents can register on **OHIO RESPONDS** at:
www.ohioresponds.gov

Kentucky

The Kentucky Department for Public Health established **KHELPS** to assist local health departments in managing their Medical Reserve Corps units. TO register, visit:
www.kentuckyhelps.com

Indiana

Indiana residents can register for MRC at the **SERV-IN** website at:
www.serv-in.org



FOR MORE INFORMATION VISIT
OUR WEBSITE AT:

WWW.TRISTATEMRC.ORG

COMMUNITY

Honor the community-based nature of the Medical Reserve Corps (MRC) and recognize the spirit of volunteerism.

ACTION

Seek opportunities to develop meaningful initiatives that support community medical and public health volunteerism and service.

RESOURCEFULNESS

Maximize the potential to learn, leverage relationships and assets to the fullest extent.

TEAMWORK

Embrace collaboration and work collectively to achieve a mission.

DIVERSITY

Accept and respect the cultural identity of all.

The existence of this nationwide, community-based movement is due to the willingness of volunteers to serve their communities in times of need. Becoming a Medical Reserve Corps volunteer provides the opportunity to belong to a group with a strong sense of mission and purpose.

The Tristate Medical Reserve Corps is seeking medical and non-medical volunteers to assist with emergency preparedness and response efforts. Physicians, nurses, pharmacists, EMTs, Paramedics, veterinarians, mental health professionals, and many others will fill key positions.

The receipt/distribution of emergency medical supplies.

The setup/operation of Points of Dispensing to distribute medical countermeasures.

The setup/operation of triage, medical screening, and alternative care centers during medical surge incidents.

Staffing support for mass care shelters to support health services delivery and assistance to those with access and functional needs.

The need for the MRC became apparent after the 9/11 terrorist attacks, when thousands of medical and public health professionals, eager to volunteer in support of emergency relief activities, found that there was no organized approach to channel their efforts.

As a result, the MRC was established in 2002 to provide a way to recruit, train, and activate medical and health professionals to respond to community health needs, including disasters and other public health emergencies.

Reinforcing public health and emergency response infrastructures.

Enabling communities to meet specific health needs.

Affording the local community more autonomy.

Promoting information sharing and coordination among response partners.

Enabling dialogue between emergency management and public health.

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