

# Johnson County Medical Reserve Corps

## What is the Johnson County MRC?

The Johnson County MRC unit is community-based and functions to locally organize and utilize volunteers. When a public health emergency occurs, the need for volunteers will be tremendous. The Johnson County MRC will be used to supplement existing emergency services when a disaster is of a magnitude that overwhelms those existing resources. Further, the Johnson County MRC volunteers can provide relief for overworked workers in the event of an emergency.



East Central GA MRC NDMS Exercise 2007

## What is the purpose of a MRC?

- Recruits health professionals and non medical people into volunteer service
- Train and educate members
- Assist with community needs
- Participate in non-emergency essential public health services, such as health education and community outreach
- Integrates volunteers and first responders for emergency response



Nebraska Western Iowa MRC Fall Drill 2006

## What do I gain from volunteering?

As a volunteer, you will gain personal satisfaction, a chance to make a difference in your community, an opportunity to network in your community, and knowledge that you are part of a community-wide emergency response effort.

## Can we count on you?

As a volunteer, your community may need your skills when:

- Local resources are stretched by an epidemic or infectious disease that requires mass vaccination or medication dispensing
- Education and preventative measures are needed
- Other emergencies occur, such as severe weather or other natural disasters
- Large numbers of people are sick or injured

## Why join today?

In a disaster, everyone wants to help. Lessons learned from 9/11 and severe weather show that many volunteers who show up to help cannot be used. The pre-registering and pre-credentialing of volunteers allows the Johnson County MRC to match the skills of the volunteers to the needs of the county. This increases the efficiency of volunteer assignments and reduces the work of processing volunteers during an emergency.

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## Who can volunteer?

MRC volunteers include medical and public health professionals, such as physicians, nurses, pharmacists, dentists, veterinarians, and epidemiologists. Other community members, such as interpreters, chaplains, office workers, legal advisors, etc... can fill other vital roles.

## What is the registration process?

To join the Johnson County MRC, you must::

1. Fill out an application
2. Register with ISERV
3. Provide a list of references and sign a consent for Johnson County Medical Reserve Corps to complete a background check, to share information with federal, state, and local offices as needed, and to verify your credentials.
4. Show current licenses and certifications
4. Schedule an interview

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## Where can I find an application?

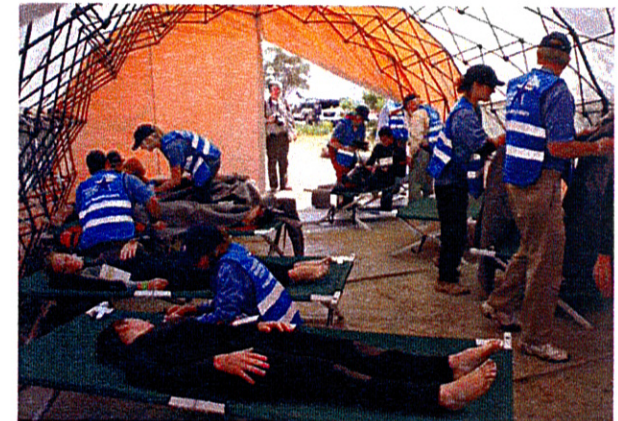
An application can be sent by contacting Art Abrams, the unit coordinator, at:  
[iowaart@mchsi.com](mailto:iowaart@mchsi.com)

## How do I get more information?

If you have questions, you can contact the Johnson County Medical Reserve Corps Coordinator at:

Johnson County Emergency Management Agency  
Attn: MRC Coordinator  
4529 Melrose Ave  
Iowa City, IA 52246  
(319)430-7904

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Santa Barbara County MRC

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Be prepared.

Be ready.

Be a volunteer.



## Johnson County Medical Reserve Corps

### Established Requirements to Become an Active Johnson County Medical Reserve Corps Volunteer

#### Mission Statement

The mission of the MRC is to supplement the local healthcare systems during emergencies or planned events in Johnson County. The MRC achieves this mission by recruiting and training volunteer medical and non-medical professionals, and organizing them to assist effectively and efficiently in the management of catastrophic events and emergency or disaster situations as may be called for.

#### Membership

Membership in the Johnson County Iowa Medical Reserve Corps is open to anyone with a desire to serve the community. Although the focus of our MRC is on emergency medical operations and public-health activities, healthcare expertise is not a prerequisite for service with the unit. Volunteers with no healthcare experience are needed to assist with administrative and other essential support functions. It is the policy of the MRC that all potential MRC volunteer members shall follow the application procedures outlined in the Policy and Procedure guidelines.

#### Application Process

- 1) All members and potential members must complete an MRC Volunteer Candidate Preliminary Application and submit it to the MRC Unit Coordinator.
- 2) Upon receipt of the completed form, the MRC Unit Coordinator will add the potential MRC volunteer's name and contact information to the MRC database so they will receive email notices of upcoming meetings and training events.
- 3) Potential MRC volunteers are required to attend one (1) Unit Training Meetings to learn more about the MRC before completing the Application process. This recruitment process assures that only volunteers who are truly interested and want to be actively involved with the MRC.
- 4) An interview will be conducted proceeding or following the third meeting attended. A representative from the MRC Executive Committee and the Unit Coordinator will conduct the interview with the potential volunteer.
- 5) If the applicant has received a favorable recommendation from the interview, the MRC Unit Coordinator will arrange a photo taken for their MRC Identification card.
- 6) After the applicant submits completed application packet to the MRC Coordinator, it is forwarded to the Sheriff for a background check. Once the background check has been successfully completed, and healthcare professional credentials verified, if applicable, the applicant is then eligible to be deployed as a MRC Volunteer and is issued their MRC identification card.

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- 7) All sworn-in MRC volunteers are required to wear their ID at all training meetings, community events and deployments. Please make arrangements to order your vest and or uniforms from the MRC Coordinator after appointment.
- 8) All sworn-in MRC Volunteers are required to register with the I SERVE website (<https://emcredentialemssystem.com/>) which is the automated system used to deploy volunteers during an emergency.
- 9) **Required Responsibilities of Individual Volunteers**

<input type="checkbox"/>	Complete volunteer background screening	<input type="checkbox"/>	Successfully completes Blood Borne Pathogen Post Test
<input type="checkbox"/>	Attend MRC General Orientation	<input type="checkbox"/>	Completes NIMS Training <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• IS 100</li> <li>• IS 200</li> <li>• IS 700</li> </ul>
<input type="checkbox"/>	Communicate limitations when appropriate	<input type="checkbox"/>	Provides Copy of Valid Driver License
<input type="checkbox"/>	Complete MRC Orientation Part A	<input type="checkbox"/>	Obtain and maintain CPR/First Aid Certification or appropriate licensure
<input type="checkbox"/>	Complete MRC Orientation Part B	<input type="checkbox"/>	Attend no less than 2 of the following within a 12 month period: drills, training exercises, or public health activities
<input type="checkbox"/>	Complete MRC Orientation Part C	<input type="checkbox"/>	CDLS or BDLS Training
<input type="checkbox"/>	Review HIPPA regulations	<input type="checkbox"/>	Review of Activation and Demobilization Procedures
<input type="checkbox"/>	Develops a Go bag	<input type="checkbox"/>	Iserve registration <a href="http://www.idph.state.ia.us/ems/iserv.asp">www.idph.state.ia.us/ems/iserv.asp</a>

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## APPLICATION FORM

**Please PRINT or TYPE All Information**

Name:			
	First	Middle	Last

Street Address:
City/State/Zip:
Mailing Address (if different than above):
City/State/Zip:

Email:
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Home Phone:	Area Code:		Cell:	Area Code:	
Cellular Providers Name:					
Work Phone:	Area Code:		Pager:	Area Code:	

Social Security #	Date of Birth:
Drivers License #	State: Expires:

Have you ever been:

Fingerprinted? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Arrested? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Convicted of a Felony? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Convicted of a Serious Misdemeanor? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

Highest Grade Completed: <a href="#">Click here</a>	College Degree: <a href="#">Click here</a>
Professional Degree:	Professional License:
Other:	

I hereby authorize the Johnson County Iowa MRC Department to conduct a background investigation concerning my work reputation, medical, physical, and criminal records, including information of a confidential or privileged nature.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date:

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