



February 2014

Dear U of M Medical Reserve Corps Member,

The long, cold winter may be to blame for feeling the need to start our office spring cleaning early this year. One component of this spring cleaning will be to update our list of U of M MRC members. MRC members who have not recently confirmed/updated their information in the MRC registry will receive an email in the coming days inquiring about their intention to remain a member of the U of M MRC and to update their MRC registry information. Thank you to members that have already updated their information.

Maintaining a connection with our members is important to us and integral to the response capabilities of this MRC Program. As always, please feel free to email, call, or stop by my office for a visit.

Warm regards,

Kathy Hite Berlin RN, PHN

U of M MRC Coordinator

1. Logistics Strike Team Meeting

The Logistics Strike Team manages supplies and resources before and during U of M MRC deployments, training activities, and exercises. During MRC events and deployments members of this team assist with member check-in, supply management, and the care and support of MRC members.

This team is essential to the operation of our MRC and we are looking to add another 20 members to the team ranks. Members of the Logistics Strike Team and those interested in learning more about the team are invited to the spring Logistics Strike Team Meeting.

Date: Tuesday, March 11

Time: 12:00pm-12:50pm

Location: Weaver-Densford Hall, Room 2-110

Participants: Current Logistics Strike Team members and those interested in learning more about the team.

To Register: Send an email to medicalreserve@umn.edu. Please RSVP by Friday, March 7.

Additional Information: Lunch will be provided. We will review team member roles and responsibilities. Membership on this strike team may be of particular interest to those MRC members who do not currently have a medical or health professional license.

2. Bystander CPR

Each year over 300,000 people die in the US from Sudden Cardiac Arrest. The rapid response of bystanders saves lives. During this one hour class you will:

- * Learn how to assist someone experiencing sudden cardiac arrest
- * Perform hands only CPR
- * Learn to use an Automated External Defibrillator (AED)

Date: Wednesday, March 12 2014

Time: 12:00pm-1:00pm

Location: Minneapolis Campus-Mayo Auditorium-4th Floor Mayo Memorial Building

Participants: Medical Reserve Corps members and AHC faculty, staff, and students

To Register: Email medicalreserve@umn.edu or call Joan at 624-2286. Please RSVP by Thursday, March 6. Pre-registration is required.

Additional Information: Lunch will be served.

3. Safety on Campus-Responding to an Active Shooter

A University of Minnesota Police Department officer talks about how best to respond if there is an assailant with a gun on campus. There will be time for questions.

If you are interested in viewing a brief video on this topic visit the University of Minnesota Police Department website: <http://www1.umn.edu/police/activeshooter.html>

Date: Thursday, March 27 2014

Time: 12:00pm-1:00pm

Location: St. Paul Campus-Animal Science/Vet Med Bldg. Room 135

Participants: AHC students, staff, and faculty

To Register: Send an email to medicalreserve@umn.edu . Pre-registration required by Monday, March 24

Additional Information: Light lunch served

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Date: Tuesday, April 1 2014

Time: 12:00pm-1:00pm

Location: Minneapolis Campus-Moos Tower Room 2-690

Participants: AHC students, staff, and faculty

To Register: Send an email to medicalreserve@umn.edu. Pre-registration required by Thursday, March 27

Additional Information: Light lunch served

4. Volunteers Needed for Disaster Simulation on Campus

Two hundred volunteers are needed to act as victims at an upcoming large scale emergency exercise on the Minneapolis campus. This is a unique opportunity to participate in a simulated Light Rail Train (LRT) derailment to test emergency response capabilities on campus. This event is not an MRC deployment, but participation will assist the University of MN community to become better prepared for an emergency. Volunteers are needed to make this a successful event!

Campus Disaster Simulation:

Tuesday, March 18, near TCF Stadium

Approximate time: 7:30am-2:00pm

Food and parking provided

A one hour training a week before the event will be arranged to prepare volunteers for their roles. Volunteer victims will be coordinated by the U of M Department of Emergency Management-contact Nick Greco to sign up or obtain more info: njgreco@umn.edu

Member Corner

Question: I do not have a MRC ID badge and t-shirt. How may I go about picking up these items?

Answer: MRC ID badges and t-shirts are distributed to members who have viewed the MRC online orientation. Members who have met the orientation requirements may pick up their MRC ID badge and t-shirt Tuesdays through Thursdays from 9:00am until 4:00pm in the Mayo Building, room C-315. Please bring a photo ID.

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