

• DMRC and Delaware Public Health Staff

## About the Delaware Medical Reserve Corps

The Delaware Medical Reserve Corps (DMRC) is a volunteer corps comprised of dedicated medical and non-medical professionals who give their time and expertise to prepare and respond to public health emergencies. Volunteers also participate in health promotion and education in local communities.

The DMRC has three county units (New Castle, Kent, and Sussex counties) and provides the structure necessary to pre-identify, credential, train, and activate volunteers.

# You can make a difference *join today* Visit www.DelawareMRC.org to register now

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The DMRC is sponsored by the Delaware Health and Social Services, Division of Public Health, Emergency Medical Services and Preparedness Section which has contracted with the University of Delaware, School of Nursing to coordinate the three county units: New Castle, Kent, and Sussex.

The national MRC program partners with the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's Citizen Corp and is headquartered in the Office of the Surgeon General at the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.



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# Volunteers Building Strong, Healthy, and Prepared Communities



# When disaster strikes, you can make a difference

You never know when your community might need you. It could be because of an outbreak of a communicable disease, a natural disaster, or a manmade disaster. In emergencies, DMRC volunteers provide additional staffing needed to save lives by helping public health teams distribute medication and offering medical care.

The DMRC also helps improve the state's public health by reducing chronic disease, assuring accessibility to health care, and increasing health literacy. As a volunteer, you will receive training in emergency response and CPR/AED, and will also have opportunities to help address pressing public health issues.

By registering in advance to volunteer, you can be quickly mobilized where your valuable skills are needed the most.





## Anyone can volunteer

If you are 18 or older, whatever your experience or training, your community needs you! DMRC is actively recruiting medical and non-medical volunteers including, but not limited, to:

- Administrative & IT support
- Office support staff
- Greeter or runner
- Patient transport
- Chaplains
- Radio communicator
- Interpreter
- Social worker

NOTE: Medical professional licenses and certifications will be verified with state licensing boards.

# **Delaware Medical Reserve Corps Involvement**

There are many roles a Reserve Corps volunteer can play to support everyday public health initiatives as well as during emergency and disaster events.

#### A few examples:

- Mass vaccinations
- Dispensing medications
- Triaging evacuees
- Administrative support
- Language translation
- Foot traffic control
- Medical personnel assistance
- Supply distribution
- Logistics
- Community outreach and education

You will receive an alert in the event of a disaster and have the chance to either accept or decline the volunteer request. If you accept, specific instructions will be provided on where and when to report, and what is needed for the incident. There is no obligation to participate during activation.



- Physicians Nurses
- Respiratory tech

Mental health

practitioners

• EMT or paramedic

- Pharmacist
- Dentist
- or Vet tech

Veterinarian