

BCMRC

*Mobilizing and Training Citizens
to Help Safeguard Our
Communities and Our Families*

Join Our Team!

The BCMRC is a group of local health care professionals and other service-minded citizens who are ready to:

- **Make a difference**
- **Know what to do in an emergency**
- **Receive training**
- **Receive Public Health Alerts**

Whether it's a medical emergency, natural disaster, terrorist incident — or even a routine immunization clinic — THESE VOLUNTEERS ARE TRAINED AND READY TO SUPPORT LOCAL PUBLIC HEALTH AGENCIES WHEN CALLED UPON.



Public Health
Prevent. Promote. Protect.

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Burlington County Medical Reserve Corps (BCMRC)

Q. What is the BCMRC?

A. The BCMRC enhances the County's emergency preparedness by ensuring that a trained group of healthcare professionals and community volunteers are ready to respond to public health emergencies. The MRC will help distribute antibiotics or vaccine during an emergency. This initiative is part of a federal and state program to help support local area needs.

Q. Who can volunteer?

A. Anyone with an interest in health issues. We need licensed or certified health care professionals, practicing or retired, living or working in Burlington County. We also need community volunteers such as interpreters, chaplains, social workers and support staff.



Q. What are the benefits to my community?

A. Major health emergencies can overwhelm resources during the first 12 to 72 hours. Citizens who are trained and prepared to take care of themselves, their family and others will ensure that our community is safer, stronger and better prepared.

You and your family will also be a part of the First Responder Medication Distribution Plan, and will receive prophylactic medications during the initial distribution phase.

Q. If I volunteer, what is the time commitment?

A. Members should respond rapidly to communications from the MRC and respond to emergencies when notified. As an MRC volunteer you will decide how much time to commit to each event. Your service is entirely voluntary and is covered by the New Jersey Emergency Health Powers Act during a declared emergency.



Q. Will I be trained?

A. BCMRC volunteers must complete 8 core courses within one year of joining. These courses are: Incident Command System 100/National Incident Management System 700, Psychological First Aid, Family Preparedness, Personal Protective Equipment and Fit Testing, Bioterrorism 101, Chemical and Radiological Awareness, Point of Distribution Management and Orientation to Public Health. Volunteers can submit certificates from trainings they have attended outside the BCMRC and receive credit for that course.

How do I apply?

- 1) You can register on-line to become a member
 - 2) Go to www.njmrc.nj.gov
 - 3) Select Burlington County MRC Unit
 - 4) Complete the on-line application.
- or

If you do not have access to a computer, please contact BCHD for assistance at 609-265-5548.

We need volunteers both with and without medical experience