

# Register Now !

## Professional License :

*Please circle all that apply*

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City: \_\_\_\_\_

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### ***Please Return This form to:***

Sidney-Shelby County Health Dept.

Attn:

Shelby County MRC Coordinator

202 West Poplar St.

Sidney, Ohio 45365

Or

Fax to: 937-498-7013

A more detailed registration form and meeting information will be mailed to you

**All information will be kept Confidential**

"I strongly encourage all of you— all able medical and health professionals, even ordinary citizens who can help with non-technical tasks—to join your local Medical Reserve Corps Unit."

Richard H. Carmona, MD, MPH, FACS  
Surgeon General  
U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services



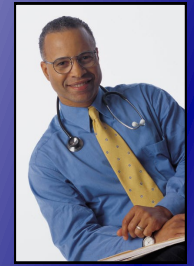
"Choose health and volunteer to serve Shelby County during a public health emergency."

Robert M. Mai, MPH, RS  
Health Commissioner  
Sidney-Shelby County Health Department

Volunteers  
make the  
difference.



**Public Health**  
Prevent. Promote. Protect.



Shelby County

# Medical Reserve Corps

A volunteer group serving  
local public health needs



**The first response to any  
disaster, large or small,  
begins locally....**



**Are we prepared?**



New York City, September 11, 2001

After the events of September 11, 2001 it became clear that our worst dreams could become reality and that we will likely face significant challenges in this new millennium. As we cope with this realization, we find ourselves asking, will we be ready when the next disaster arises? What can I do to help my family, my friends, and my community when that day comes?



Your local health district is working with national, state and local governments and civic agencies to develop and coordinate disaster response to a variety of different hazards ranging from natural disasters to explosive, nuclear, biological and chemical terrorism. Volunteers are desperately needed to provide assistance and depth to our existing response teams.



The U.S. leads the world in tornados, averaging over 800 a year.

## The Medical Reserve Corps

### What is the Medical Reserve Corps?

The MRC is a volunteer group that brings health professionals and others together to support local public health, emergency and medical services. As the events of September 11 unfolded, many Americans reacted by offering to help. To be ready to provide the rapid response needed in a disaster, volunteers need to be trained and organized. A key function of the MRC will be to provide members with that specialized training and preparation.

### Who Can Volunteer?

#### We are looking for:

- **Licensed medical professionals and others with medical experience:** Nurses, doctors, pharmacists, EMTs, veterinarians, dentists, PTs, nursing assistants, phlebotomists, lab techs, and others
- **Mental health professionals:** Counselors, social workers, therapists, psychiatrists, clergy, and others
- **People with other special skills:** Computer specialists, translators, health educators, epidemiologists, biologists, chemists, and others
- **Volunteers to provide basic support services**



#### Volunteers can be:

- Working in their profession
- Inactive in their profession
- Retirees
- Persons ( $\geq 18$  years old)



### What Will I Be Doing?

You are needed for both emergency and non-emergency purposes. During a public health emergency, you may be asked to help staff an emergency vaccination clinic or pharmaceutical distribution site. During times of non-emergency, volunteers will receive free emergency preparedness education and training and have the chance to serve as public health ambassadors. Some activities might include assisting with flu clinics, providing education sessions on special topics, and promoting immunization campaigns.



### For More Information, Contact:

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