

## Who can volunteer?

ANYONE!! NENC MRC volunteers include anyone who desires to be an active part of community preparedness activities.

NENC MRC Volunteers include the following:

- ~ Medical and Public Health Professionals
- ~ Veterinarians
- ~ Pharmacists
- ~ Epidemiologists
- ~ Community Members
- ~ Interpreters
- ~ Legal Advisors
- ~ Clergy
- ~ Local Church Organizations
- ~ AND MANY MORE!!!



**Join the NENC MRC!!**

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**The mission of the Medical Reserve Corps is to improve the health and safety of communities across the country by organizing and utilizing public health, medical, and other volunteers.**

The **Medical Reserve Corps** program is sponsored by the Office of the Surgeon General, in cooperation with the White House's USA Freedom Corps and the Department of Homeland Security's Citizen Corps.



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**USA**  **Freedom Corps**  
Make a Difference. Volunteer.



# Northeast North Carolina Medical Reserve Corps

## National Priorities...Meeting Local Needs

### What is the MRC?

The MRC is a partner program of Citizens Corps, a national network of volunteers dedicated to ensuring hometown security.

MRC Units are community-based and function as a way to locally organize and utilize volunteers who want to donate their time and expertise to prepare for and respond to emergencies.

The NENC MRC works with several regional and local community partners in the counties of Bertie, Camden, Chowan, Currituck, Dare, Hyde, Gates, Martin, Tyrrell, Pasquotank, Perquimans, and Washington.

Agency Partners include:

- ~ Local Emergency Management
- ~ The Greater Albemarle Area Chapter of the American Red Cross
- ~ Albemarle Hospital
- ~ Bertie Memorial Hospital
- ~ Chowan Hospital
- ~ Outer Banks Hospital
- ~ Washington County Hospital
- ~ Martin General Hospital
- ~ Eastern Region MRC
- ~ Public Health Regional Surveillance Team 1

### What Can MRC Volunteers Do?

Local volunteer responders will actively support local public health, hospitals, and emergency management in the following areas:

- ❖ Community Outreach
  - ~ Provide health education, assist with preventive health screenings, and assist with yearly flu clinics
  - ~ Support to existing community service organizations
- ❖ Community Support
  - ~ Emergency worker, feeding and care
  - ~ Shelter assistance
- ❖ Medical Surge
  - ~ Shift Relief and Backfill at Hospitals
  - ~ Unusual disease outbreaks or suspected bioterrorism events, which may require investigation, or mass prophylaxis or immunization



### How Can the NENC MRC Benefit Our Local Community?

- ❖ Bolsters public health and emergency response infrastructures by providing supplemental personnel
- ❖ Enables communities to meet specific health needs
- ❖ Allows the local community more autonomy - not as reliant on state and national resources
- ❖ Gives the community members the opportunity to participate in developing strategies to make their communities healthier and safer
- ❖ Provides mechanisms for information sharing and coordination between all partner organizations

### Training Requirements

As a volunteer, you will be thoroughly trained to respond in emergency situations. Training requirements include basic first aid and CPR, National Incident Management System (NIMS) and the Incident Command System (ICS), and disaster and risk situational awareness.