Volunteer Profile

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Why I Volunteer

Keith Collins-Allen, RN

How long have you been a member of NYC MRC?
I have been a member since 2013.

What is your profession?
Registered Nurse, I work as a Training Supervisor for a NYS agency.

What MRC activities have you participated in lately?
I've participated in Mystery Patient Drill, Dialysis Outreach Program, Racial Equity, H7N2 Flu POD, Fentanyl Outreach Training and in Health Fair events.

Are you involved in any other volunteer activities?
I am a Ham Radio Operator and work with the American Red Cross Communications and Disaster Health Services.

Why do you volunteer for NYC MRC?
"I'm New York City, born and raised..." The NYC MRC lets me share my professional knowledge and skills to help people of the greatest city in the world. I am honored to be a positive force for health, preparedness and resiliency.

Congratulations to Betty Duggan for receiving the 2017 MRC Program's Elizabeth Fitch Memorial Leadership Award!

As an exemplary leader of the MRC network, Betty Duggan plays a significant role in helping to raise MRC awareness and foster MRC integration into the state and local public health and preparedness infrastructure, as well as strengthening relationships with organizations, building awareness of MRC brand, and providing constant and consistent support to the MRC network.

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## Upcoming Public Health Events

In collaboration with our community partners, NYC MRC continues to provide blood pressure screenings at several locations throughout New York City.

To participate in any, or all of the following public health events, please go to:

https://a816-healthpsi.nyc.gov/MRCSelfServe/

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Upcoming Trainings and Events

Basic Disaster Life Support Training

This is an intensive, full-day training that covers all hazards topics and clinical issues including: natural and accidental man made events, traumatic and explosive events, nuclear and radiological events, and chemical events. This training will be offered to NYC MRC members for free. You will need to register on NDLSF to receive credit for taking this training.

**Date:** Saturday, May 6th  
**Time:** 9:00am - 5:00pm  
**Location:** NYU Dental, 433 1st Ave, 2nd Floor  
**Registration:** [https://a816-healthpsi.nyc.gov/MRCSelfServe/](https://a816-healthpsi.nyc.gov/MRCSelfServe/)

Fentanyl Response Training

Fentanyl has become a major cause of opioid overdose in NYC. DOHMH has launched an initiative to educate people about the dangers of fentanyl. NYC MRC members will learn about fentanyl, and then do outreach in communities hardest hit by overdoses.

**Date:** Wednesday, May 17th  
**Time:** 6:00pm - 8:00pm  
**Location:** CUNY Law, Room 1/202  
**Registration:** [https://a816-healthpsi.nyc.gov/MRCSelfServe/](https://a816-healthpsi.nyc.gov/MRCSelfServe/)

The fentanyl outreach will take place on **Friday, May 19th** - **7:30am-11:30am** and **Saturday, May 20th** – **1:00pm - 5:00pm.** Assignments will be established at the training.

BE A LEADER!

The New York City MRC has extended its reach through public health events, trainings and exercises and our staff has maximized its capacity. In order to grow, we need leaders.

**Volunteer Leaders will:**
Take responsibility for one MRC event a month. Welcome volunteers, take attendance, keep records, coordinate with sites and return records to NYC MRC office by mail or email. Training and Volunteer Leader uniform shirts will be provided.

**Are you ready and willing to help? Please call or email**

Mathew Geiger for more details.

Matthew Geiger: **347.396.6248**
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AIDS Walk

NYC MRC is excited to once again participate in the annual AIDS Walk! This fundraiser continues the work of GMHC, which provides invaluable clinical and social services to those affected by HIV/AIDS. To join the NYC MRC team and participate in this year's AIDS Walk, please follow the link below.

Date: **Sunday, May 21st**
Time: 9:30am-12:30pm
Location: 65th Street & 5th Ave
Registration: [https://ny.aidswalk.net/Account/Register](https://ny.aidswalk.net/Account/Register)

Pediatric Disaster Plan Communications Exercise

During this exercise, the Office of Emergency Preparedness and Response and the Bureau of Healthcare System Readiness will:

- Assess the capability of FDNY/EMS and NYC EM to coordinate secondary transport of pediatric patients during an activation of the draft NYC Pediatric Disaster Plan for a mass casualty event that will result in a surge of pediatric patients.
- Validate Tier-I and Tier-II Pediatric Disaster Ambulance Destinations (PDAD) hospitals’ ability to surge in response to a large pediatric disaster, triage and prioritize patients requiring secondary transport and communicate with response agencies during an activation of the NYC PDC.

MRC volunteers needed to help evaluate this exercise at the following locations: Jacobi Medical Center, New York Methodist Hospital, SUNY Downstate University Hospital, Harlem Hospital Center, Bronx Lebanon and NYU Langone.

Please note: To participate in this exercise, you **MUST** complete a mandatory controller/evaluator training done by webinar a week before on **May 17th**.

Date: **Thursday, May 25th**
Time: 8:00am - 2:00pm
Location: 29 Various Hospitals
Registration: [https://a816-healthpsi.nyc.gov/MRCSelfServe/](https://a816-healthpsi.nyc.gov/MRCSelfServe/)
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Free Buprenorphine Waiver Trainings
For Physicians, Nurse Practitioners, and Physician Assistants

The NYC Department of Health and Mental Hygiene (DOHMH) is sponsoring free Half-and-Half Buprenorphine Waiver Trainings at Gotham Center on May 24\textsuperscript{th}, 2017 and at NYC Health + Hospitals/ Gouverneur on June 1\textsuperscript{st} and 15\textsuperscript{th}, 2017.

**Background:**
Buprenorphine is an effective medication for treatment of opioid use disorder, and can be prescribed in office-based primary care settings. Any physician, nurse practitioner, or physician assistant can prescribe buprenorphine after obtaining a waiver. Physicians are required to complete an 8-hour training in order to apply for a waiver; nurse practitioners and physician assistants must take 24 hours of training (inclusive of the physician 8-hour training) in order to apply. This course fulfills the 8-hour training requirement.

**Training Format:**
The half-and-half format will include approximately 4 hours of online training prior to approximately 4 hours of in-person training. **Pre-registration and completion of online training is required.**

**Date:** Wednesday May 24\textsuperscript{th}, 2017  
**Time:** 12:30pm - 5:00pm  
**Location:** NYC Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, Gotham Center  
42-09 28 Street Long Island City, NY 11101  
17\textsuperscript{th} Floor, Conference room 17-12

OR

**Date:** Thursday, June 1\textsuperscript{st}, 2017  
**Time:** 8:30am - 1:00pm  
**Location:** NYC Health + Hospitals/Gouverneur  
227 Madison Street New York, NY 10002  
1\textsuperscript{st} Floor, Auditorium

OR

**Date:** Thursday, June 15, 2017  
**Time:** 8:30am - 1:00pm  
**Location:** NYC Health + Hospitals/Gouverneur  
227 Madison Street New York, NY 10002  
12\textsuperscript{th} Floor, Conference Rooms A-B-C

To register please send name, email, title, and affiliation to buprenorphine@health.nyc.gov.  
To be notified of future trainings, contact buprenorphine@health.nyc.gov.