



## New York City Medical Reserve Corps



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### Commissioner's Email

Because New York City Medical Reserve Corps is a critical element of New York City's Public Health Emergency Response Plans, Health Commissioner Farley is sending emails to all MRC members who have not yet updated their record.

**WE NEED YOUR HELP!** If your record has not yet been updated; we cannot consider you an active member of the NYC MRC until you do so. Please be advised that you will no longer receive training offerings nor will you be deployed during emergencies unless your record is complete. You can go on line and register yourself at [www.nyhealth.gov/servny](http://www.nyhealth.gov/servny) or you can call a member of the MRC staff to assist you on the phone.

Staff are available to help with registration:

- Weekdays from 9:00am – 5:00pm
- Saturday, February 5<sup>th</sup> from 10:00am – 5:00pm
- Sunday, February 13<sup>th</sup> from 10:00am – 5:00pm

If you have not already updated your record, please call

Rebecca	212 676-8285
Angela	212 676-8331
Ramona	212 676-8137

They will be happy to assist you with updating your record. If you no longer wish to be a member of the MRC, please send an email to: [healthmrc@health.nyc.gov](mailto:healthmrc@health.nyc.gov). In the subject line please write: DELETE along with your first and last name.

### Congratulations to the MRC Update Lottery winners:

**December 2010** - Janette Ramos Acosta

**January 2011** - Anthony Hoffman

These members received a Bureau of Emergency Management umbrella and messenger bag for completing their records in ServNY. You can win, too! Just update your NYC MRC member record in ServNY (see directions above) to be entered in our monthly lottery.

### Still Looking For PCP Help!

NYCDOHMH is still recruiting for NYC PCPs in small practices to work with us on a new project, which will look at ways PCPs can prepare their practices for emergency events. We have attracted a few interested doctors, but we need more. Participation would involve a few meetings to set practical goals and some focus groups with PCPs in the five boroughs. Willing to help or want more information? Contact Padmore John at: [jpadmor1@health.nyc.gov](mailto:jpadmor1@health.nyc.gov).

## Upcoming Trainings

### Please join us for the following trainings:

**MRC Orientation** - Wednesday, February 16<sup>th</sup>, 6:00pm – 8:00 pm (registration and light dinner at 5:30pm) at 125 Worth St. Room 100-DEOC (enter on Lafayette St.), first floor.

This training is essential for new members. Learn about MRC and our role in disasters and emergencies. This training is a prerequisite for many other courses.

To register, please send an email to [healthmrc@healthnyc.gov](mailto:healthmrc@healthnyc.gov). Be sure to include your name, email, phone and type of license. The next MRC Orientation will be held on April 12, location to be determined.

**All Hazards Mental Health Training** - (open only to Mental Health Professionals) – there are a few more places in the March 2<sup>nd</sup> full day training from 9:00am - 5:00pm. We are also offering the All Hazards Mental Health Training on April 6<sup>th</sup> from 9:00am – 5:00pm.

The two-evening All Hazards Mental Health training will be rescheduled for May. Stay tuned (for more information, please see attachment).

**Incident Command System (ICS) Training** – Understanding the structures used to manage disasters and emergencies is essential for volunteers who wish to be of assistance at such events.

If you have not already taken **ICS 100 (Incident Command System)** and **ICS 700 (National Incident Management System NIMS)** please take advantage of these free online courses offered by the FEMA Emergency Management Institute. These trainings are easy to understand, have Continuing Education Unit credits, and you can print your certificate upon completion. The course codes are IS 100b for the ICS course, and IS 700a for the NIMS course. To take these courses, go to: <http://training.fema.gov/IS/crslist.asp>

**Second DOHMH Radiation Reserves Corps Symposium** will be held at Columbia University Medical College on **Friday, March 25<sup>th</sup>**. This is especially important if you are a member of the Radiation Reserve Corp, but it is open to all NYC MRC members. The focus of this symposium will be practical - how we anticipate a CRC will be operated. This will include a workshop in which participants will get hands on experience as we run a mock Community Reception Center (see attached flyer for details).

### Citizen Corps Trainings:

The NYC Citizens Corps is offering the following trainings:

- February 15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> - Creating Vigilant, Prepared, and Resilient Communities for Homeland Security: A Community Outreach Approach to Homeland Security (CERT)
- February 24<sup>th</sup> - Geographic Information System's Impact on Emergency Management (Citizen Corps)
- March 8<sup>th</sup> - Federal Emergency Management Agency 101 (Citizen Corps)
- Late March - Tentative – Con Edison 101 (CERT)

See the attached flyer for registration information for Citizen Corps trainings.