



UC Volunteer News

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Upper Cumberland Tennessee Regional Medical Reserve Corps

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January 2023

2023 MRC Winter/Spring Training Schedule

Tuesday, February 21, 2023

Introduction to Mental Health Preparedness 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Training held by Zoom

Tuesday, April 25, 2023

Introduction to Mental Health Preparedness: 8:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. IS-100: 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. IS-700: 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. *Training held by Zoom.*

Volunteers that still need to complete the classes will be notified by email.

National Volunteer Week Lunch and Learn Session

Tuesday, April 18, 2023 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Upper Cumberland Regional Office 1100 England Drive Cookeville, TN 38501

Lunch will be served. Please email Dawn.Hickey@tn.gov to reserve your spot.

National Volunteer Week is April 16th- April 22nd.

This year's theme is Shining a Light on the People and Causes That Inspire Us to Serve.

MRC Volunteer Identification Card

It is time once again for volunteers to receive their MRC Volunteer Identification Card with the expiration date of 2024. All volunteers will receive their card through the mail during the month of January. This identification card allows volunteers through security during a public health event where the MRC has been deployed. It is important for volunteers to not self-deploy during an event. Volunteers will be notified by the Tennessee Volunteer Mobilizer Alerting System of any request for assistance from the MRC unit. Only pre-identified, documented volunteers with a current MRC Volunteer Identification who have been asked to report for duty by the MRC Coordinator will be allowed through security. This identification is only to be used to gain entrance to the work site. Once a volunteer has been deployed and reported to the requested work site, each volunteer will receive a MRC Identification Badge to be used throughout their deployment.

TNMRC Webpage

The Tennessee MRC units recently received a \$50,000 award from NACCHO (National Association of County and City Health Officials). One objective of this award was to update the MRC webpage on the Tennessee Department of Health website.

The webpage now includes an overview of the MRC, map and how to contact each unit across the state, description of the MRC, frequently asked questions and how to register to be a medical or non-medical volunteer.

Check out the webpage and share it with anyone interested in joining the MRC.

Individuals may reach the webpage directly at https://tnmrc.org.

MRC Recruitment Campaign

Another objective of the NACCHO award is to purchase billboards, radio commercials and television commercials promoting the MRC units across the state. Watch for these three recruitment opportunities this spring!

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