



# Join the Medical Reserve Corps

*Local health, safety and preparedness starts with you!*

## ***WHAT is the Medical Reserve Corps?***

The Medical Reserve Corps (MRC) is a national network of volunteers who help make their communities stronger and healthier during disasters and every day. The Columbia County MRC is organized and sponsored by the Columbia County Department of Health. An MRC unit can be activated at any time to assist with a number of responses, including:

- Emergency Preparedness and Response Exercises
- Mass facility surge support
- Disease testing and surveillance
- Veterinary care
- Emergency Operations Center support
- Community Education
- Disaster Clean up
- Emergency Shelter operations and medical care
- Mass Dispensing (e.g., medications, water or other supplies)
- Community Vaccination Clinics
- Support services to disaster call centers, family assistance centers and reception centers
- And many more...

*MRC volunteers receive training in necessary tasks to prepare them for activations.*



## ***WHO volunteers with the MRC?***

MRC volunteers include medical and public health professionals as well as community members without any healthcare background or experience. If you have the desire to help your community, we have something you can do!

## ***WHY should I volunteer?***

- ★ Communities benefit from having MRC volunteers ready to respond to emergencies
- ★ You can be part of an organization and trained team with a strong sense of mission and purpose
- ★ It is a way to offer and improve your professional skills, knowledge and expertise.
- ★ It is a chance to give back to your community, helping to keep your family, friends, and neighbors safe and health-particularly during times of need.



## ***READY to get started?***

Scan the QR Code to complete an interest form:

Or, contact the MRC coordinator at:

**518-828-3358 ext. 1257 or email [ccmrc@columbiacountyny.com](mailto:ccmrc@columbiacountyny.com)**



The Columbia County Medical Reserve Corps (MRC) is sponsored by the Columbia County Department of Health. For more information about the MRC or how to become a volunteer, please follow the QR code to complete an interest request form or contact the MRC Coordinator

*\*Images obtained from ASPR MRC recruitment resources for MRC units\**