

Thank you for being a member of the North Dakota Medical Reserve Corps (MRC) and agreeing to assist the citizens of North Dakota during an emergency event!

The North Dakota Department of Health and Human Services Emergency Preparedness and Response Unit (EPR) is happy to announce continuation of the monthly MRC Leadership Training Program.

#### TRAINING COMMITMENT & DETAILS

For the duration of the program, members will be asked to attend 6 trainings annually in Bismarck (or virtually when available). Honorariums and travel expenses will be awarded to participating members of the MRC. This will allow us to establish a core group of highly trained MRC members who can lead groups of responders in the field with knowledge gained about the health and medical response system in North Dakota.

Participants will gain knowledge of how North Dakota's state health and medical response system operates, how MRC members support EPR's ability to assist North Dakotans in times of need, and what roles members may have should they decide to take part in an actual emergency response. MRC members may be employed and compensated as state employees at the time of a response.

Topics covered in training sessions will include command and control operations, medical surge shelter setup and operation, vulnerable population shelter setup and operation, use of wrap-around services resources, and forward operating base (FOB) setup and operation. People will acquire skills and knowledge in a variety of other areas that will enable them to participate and provide leadership during health and medical emergency responses.

A \$200 honorarium will be given to participants for every eight-hours of training completed with the Department. Sessions which will take place regularly, either in person or virtually, and will last eight to sixteen hours. Most sessions will be scheduled during weekends. In addition, all travel expenses including mileage, hotels, and meal per diems will be reimbursed at the rates and stipulations set by the North Dakota Office of Management and Budget.

#### REGISTRATION

Before registering for the training sessions, participants must be a registered member of the North Dakota Medical Reserve Corps. Participants connected to the EPR Statewide Response Team or work as current employees of the NDDHHS EPR Unit will be reimbursed for travel expenses only.

Each month, registration will take place online at our website listed below. Due to space limitations, registration will be done on a first-come, first-served basis. Registration will close 10 days prior to the training date.

If you are interested in participating, please go to <https://www.hhs.nd.gov/health/epr/events-registration> to register for the next available session. If you have any questions, please contact us at 701-328-2270.