

BECOME A MEMBER...

OTTAWA COUNTY



Yes! I would like more information about the Ottawa County Medical Reserve Corps:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

I prefer to be contacted via:

- Mail
- Phone
- E-mail

I am a:

- Physician
- Nurse
- Pharmacist
- Mental Health Professional
- Emergency Medical Technician
- Administrative Support Staff
- Volunteer without medical experience
- Other: _____

Please mail this form to:

Ottawa County Health Department
Public Health Preparedness Program
Medical Reserve Corps
12251 James Street, Suite 400
Holland, MI 49424

-- OR --

Fax to:
616.393.5624

The Ottawa County Medical Reserve Corps (OCMRC) is community based and functions as a way to locally organize and utilize volunteers - medical professionals and others - who want to donate their time and expertise to promote healthy living throughout the year, and to prepare for and respond to emergencies. OCMRC volunteers supplement existing local emergency and public health resources.



Message from our Acting Surgeon General:

“I have a mandate from our President to focus on medical preparedness, including homeland security, the war on terrorism, and improving public health. The **Medical Reserve Corps** is critical to our many national preparedness efforts.”



Rear Admiral Kenneth Moritsugu
Acting Surgeon General
United States Public Health Service



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LOCAL VOLUNTEER DATABASE

The Ottawa County Medical Reserve Corps (OCMRC) was established to enhance local emergency preparedness and coordinate volunteer response that will be needed during a public health emergency.

Our mission is to develop teams of medical and public health professionals and other volunteers who can contribute their skills and expertise during times of community need.

WHO CAN VOLUNTEER?

The Ottawa County Medical Reserve Corps (OCMRC) is looking for two types of volunteers:

- Medical and health care professionals from all health occupations, including those who are practicing as well as those who are non-practicing
- Support volunteers who do not perform medical care, but who are essential to emergency health care response (e.g., legal assistance, computer technology, clerical assistance)

Mission Statement:

The Ottawa County Health Department is committed to providing environmental protection, health promotion, disease prevention, and assuring quality health services to Ottawa County residents.

WHAT DOES THE OCMRC DO?

SUPPORT, ASSIST, PARTICIPATE, TRAIN

- Promote and educate on disease prevention
- Enhance healthcare and public health infrastructures in the event of a local emergency
- Assist in the setup of emergency clinics when large amounts of medication, vaccines, or treatment need to be administered to the community
- Participate in mass prophylaxis and vaccination exercises
- Participate in community disaster drills



HOW DO I VOLUNTEER?

It's easy!

- Complete the form located on the other side of the brochure
- Mail or fax the form
- Wait to be contacted - OR -
- Call directly and speak with the Ottawa County Medical Reserve Corps Coordinator at 616-393-5655

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TRAININGS

All OCMRC volunteers are encouraged to take advantage of the training offered to them.

Required Trainings:

- new member orientation
- online course for Incident Command System (ICS)
- online course for National Incident Management System (NIMS)

Additional trainings may also be offered

In the event of an emergency, volunteers will be activated according to the county's emergency operations plan, and every effort will be made to place volunteers in positions based on skills, expertise, and comfort level.