

QUESTIONS?

Contact the Yale New Haven Health System, Office of Emergency Preparedness at 203-688-3224 or center@ynhh.org.

INTERESTED?

Please provide the information requested below and mail or fax (203-688-4618) the card back to us. More detailed information will be sent to you pertaining to your specific healthcare discipline.

Note: Physicians or Mid-level Practitioners who have already volunteered through their hospitals should not respond to this mailing.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____ - _____ - _____

E-mail: _____

HEALTHCARE PROFESSION – SELECT ONE

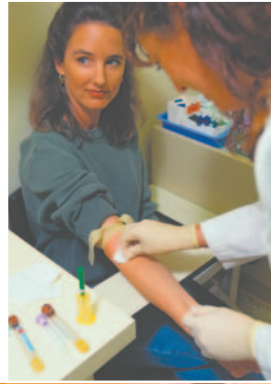
- | | |
|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Physician | <input type="checkbox"/> Dentist |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Physician Assistant | <input type="checkbox"/> Respiratory Therapist |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Nurse | <input type="checkbox"/> Clinical Laboratory Practitioner |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Adv. Practice RN | <input type="checkbox"/> Mental Health Practitioner |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pharmacist | <input type="checkbox"/> Paramedic |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pharmacy Technician | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Diagnostic Imaging | |

I am currently licensed, but retired

I am currently employed by:

I am affiliated with the following hospital(s):

If I am not selected to participate in ECP, you may forward my information to a Medical Reserve Corps, a local health department or a regional behavioral health response team.



Please cut along dotted line, fold over, tape and mail this postage paid form.

Office of Emergency Preparedness
One Church St., 5th Floor
New Haven, CT 06510


YALE NEW HAVEN
HEALTH

STATE OF CONNECTICUT



EMERGENCY CREDENTIALING PROGRAM for Healthcare Professionals



 YALE NEW HAVEN
HEALTH

WHAT IS EMERGENCY CREDENTIALING?

Emergency credentialing is a way to identify volunteer healthcare providers in advance of a large-scale disaster or terrorism occurrence in Connecticut. These qualified healthcare professionals agree to volunteer their services to facilities in addition to their principal place of employment.

WHY IS EMERGENCY CREDENTIALING NECESSARY?

An effective emergency response plan in Connecticut and the nation must be able to quickly identify and contact volunteer healthcare professionals who can care for people injured as a result of a disaster or public health emergency. A large-scale disaster will not only stretch the facility, equipment and financial resources of Connecticut's acute care hospitals, but will greatly strain their human resources as well. Having qualified healthcare volunteers readily available for participating acute care hospitals will help provide the personnel "surge capacity" that will be required for response to the event.

PARTICIPATING ORGANIZATIONS

The Emergency Credentialing Program is provided in partnership with:

- State of Connecticut Department of Public Health
- State of Connecticut Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services
- Connecticut Hospital Association
- Connecticut Association of Medical Staff Services
- Connecticut State Medical Society
- Connecticut Nurses' Association
- Connecticut Society of Health-System Pharmacists
- Connecticut Society of Radiologic Technologists
- Connecticut Society for Respiratory Care

Coordinated through:

- Yale New Haven Health System Center of Excellence for Bioterrorism Preparedness and Response

HOW WILL THE EMERGENCY CREDENTIALING PROGRAM WORK?

Interested healthcare professionals will need to provide personal contact information and a self-assessment of discipline-specific capability. For those selected to participate, this information will become part of a central, confidential database that can be accessed by participating hospitals only in the event of a large-scale disaster.

In coordination with the State of Connecticut Department of Public Health, participating hospitals will contact volunteers with skills needed for responding to the current emergency. Volunteers may choose to assist, at their discretion.

As part of Connecticut's Medical Reserve Corps, these volunteers will be afforded professional liability and Worker's Compensation coverage during their involvement with the declared emergency, through public health legislation enacted in 2003.

Based upon the need for specific healthcare professional volunteers, some interested individuals may not be selected to participate in the Emergency Credentialing Program. Instead, they will be directed to either a local Medical Reserve Corps Coordinator, a local health department or a regional behavioral health response team to determine how their particular skills may best be utilized within their community during a large-scale disaster.

SHOULD YOU VOLUNTEER?

There are many factors to consider before applying to become an emergency response volunteer, such as:

- Emergency response can be physically/emotionally draining
- Emergency response can be dangerous
- Emergency response can separate you from your family for extended periods of time

While volunteers in the State of Connecticut Emergency Credentialing Program are never under any obligation to participate during a disaster, we ask you to seriously consider these and other personal concerns prior to completing the application process.



WHO ARE WE LOOKING FOR?

- Physicians • Dentists • Physician Assistants • Nurses • Advanced Practice Nurses • Paramedics • Respiratory Therapists • Pharmacy Technicians
- Pharmacists • Diagnostic Imaging
- Clinical Laboratory Practitioners
- Mental Health Practitioners



Yale New Haven Health System
Office of Emergency Preparedness
One Church St., 5th Floor
New Haven, CT 06510

U.S. Postage
PAID
Permit No.
New Haven, CT