

McHenry County Medical Reserve Corps

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Where We Are ...

- Chicago collar county
- About 60 miles northwest of Chicago
- Metra train connects far northwest city (Harvard) to Chicago

What We Have ...

- 604 square miles
- Population 300,000
- 42% growth since 1990 (2nd largest growing county in IL)
- Woodstock – home of the Groundhog Day movie site

Who We Are ...

- Largest employers –
 - Centegra Health System (3000)
 - Follett Library/Software (1200)
 - McHenry Co. Govt (1000)
 - Affinia Automotive Parts (900)
 - Cardinal Health (900)

Who We Are ...

- 3 Hospitals –
 - Centegra Memorial Medical Ctr
 - Centegra Northern IL Medical Ctr
 - Mercy Harvard Hospital

Recruiting with Enthusiasm

- Fire them up!
- Driven commitment
- Tactful not pushy

Communication

- Telephone
- Written
- Publicity
 - Public Information Officer OR ...

Sustaining with Enthusiasm

- **Quarterly Training**
- **Identify Strengths**
 - personality profile
- **Recognition**
 - Team leadership
 - Display constant appreciation with cards, notes, newsletters . . .
 - Remind members of how important they are to the whole emergency preparedness program

Training with Enthusiasm

- **Mental**
 - Nonviolent Crisis Intervention
- **Physical**
 - BDLs: Basic Disaster Life Support
- **Operational**
 - Incident Command

Don't Hurt Me!



Ouch!



Let's Dance!



RESULTS !

- 185 active members in 1st year
- Identified leaders
- Credentialed deployment
 - flu clinics
 - administrative duties
 - phone banks
 - trade shows
 - disaster/SNS drills

What Do You Get?

- Happy!
- Well-trained!
- Credentialed!
- Enthusiastic!

McHenry County Medical Reserve Corps Yeah!

