



## Region 4b MRC Training Schedule Spring/Summer 2008 May-September



You can attend any training in any community at any time. Contact Alison Minkoff with questions or to RSVP at 617-665-3702 or [Region4bMRC@challiance.org](mailto:Region4bMRC@challiance.org) except where otherwise noted. Please note that we must have at least 8 participants in order to run training. Trainings with less than 8 participants will be canceled. (Trainings that require a larger group of attendees are noted below). We look forward to seeing you at a training event.

### May

#### **1. Home Preparedness 101: Simple Steps for Individuals and Families:**

**Date:** Wednesday, May 14th **Time:** 7 p.m.– 8p.m.

**Location:** Church of the Good Shepard, 9 Russell Ave., Watertown

*Emergency preparedness begins at home. This training provides simple steps that individuals and families can take to prepare for most emergencies. Covered in this training are: preparing to "shelter in place"; developing an evacuation kit; and making a family communication plan. Participants will make their own emergency kit. \* CEUs are available for this course*

#### **2. Emergency Dispensing Site Training Part 1: The Mechanics**

**Date:** Sunday, May 18th **Time:** 9a.m.-12 p.m.

**Location:** Snugg Harbor Elementary School, 333 Palmer St., Quincy

*Come learn the job you might have in an emergency dispensing site! This training is specifically geared towards volunteers who want to participate in an EDS drill occurring in Quincy on June 22<sup>nd</sup>. However, we welcome any volunteers who have not yet taken this course. This course is taking place in one of Quincy's actual Emergency Dispensing Sites. So, please join us for the first class offered on a weekend! All MRC volunteers are strongly encouraged to take this class. \* We must have at least 12 participants to run this training/CEUs have been requested*

#### **3. Hot Topics in Public Health**

**Date:** Tuesday, May 20th **Time:** 6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m.

**Location:** Brookline Public Library, Hunneman Hall, 361 Washington St., Brookline

*Dr. Al DeMaria will Discuss the hot public health topics of day including Pandemic Flu, MRSA, healthcare associated infections as well as other current issues affecting public health response. Presenter: Alfred DeMaria, MD, Director of Bureau of Communicable disease Control, Massachusetts Department of Public Health*

#### **4. Legal Nuts and Bolts of Isolation and Quarantine: Part 1**

**Date:** Wednesday, May 28th **Time:** 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

**Location:** Hanover Town Hall, 550 Hanover st., Hanover

*The goal of this program is to prepare participants to respond to infectious disease cases (including emergencies) by understanding, implementing and enforcing isolation and quarantine. The primary audiences for this training are local Board of Health members and staff, Agents and nurses. Other audiences who can benefit from this training are EMS personnel, Police, Mayors, Town Managers and elected or appointed officials.*

### **June**

#### **1. Emergency Dispensing Site Training Part 1: The Mechanics**

**Date:** Sunday, June 1st **Time:** 9a.m.-12 p.m.

**Location:** Marshall School, 200 Moody St., Quincy

*Come learn the job you might have in an emergency dispensing site! This training is specifically geared towards volunteers who want to participate in an EDS drill occurring in Quincy on June 22<sup>nd</sup>. However, we welcome any volunteers who have not yet taken this course. This course is taking place in one of Quincy's actual Emergency Dispensing Sites. So, please join us for the first class offered on a weekend! All MRC volunteers are strongly encouraged to take this class. \* **We must have at least 12 participants to run this training/CEUs have been requested***

#### **2. New Member Orientation**

**Date:** Tuesday, June 10th **Time:** 10 a.m.-11:30 a.m.

**Location:** Whipple Senior Center, 182 Green St., Weymouth

**OR**

**Date:** Tuesday, June 10th **Time:** 6 p.m. to 7:30

**Location:** Abigail Adam Middle School, 89 Middle St., Weymouth

*If you were not able to attend an orientation in the beginning please come learn more about the Medical Reserve Corps. Also, this is a great opportunity to get your family and friends involved in this program. So, if you know someone is interested in volunteering please let them know when these orientations will be held.*

#### **3. \*\*\* Exercise: Emergency Dispensing Site \*\*\***

**Date:** Sunday, June 22nd **Time:** 9a.m.-12 p.m.

**Location:** Quincy

*Come be part of an actual Emergency Dispensing Exercise in Quincy! Two emergency dispensing sites will be set up. Volunteers will be assigned when they register. Please contact Alison if you would like to sign up to be part of this exciting exercise.*

#### 4. **ICS 100/NIMS 700**

**Date:** Monday, June 23rd **Time:** 5:15-7:15

**Location:** Newton City Hall, Room 202, 1000 Commonwealth Ave, Newton

*The Incident Command System provides a consistent nation wide template to enable all government, private-sector and non-governmental organizations to work together during domestic incidents. This training will outline in a concise manner how Police, Fire, Health, EMS and Hospitals use this command system in an emergency and how volunteers fit into the system. This is a classroom style training and there will be reading and writing. Presenter: Christian Lanphere, Cambridge Public Health Department. All MRC volunteers are strongly encouraged to take this class, if you have not done so already. If you are unable to make this course, it can be taken on-line. See on-line list of courses. \* **CEUs are available for this course***

## **July**

### 1. **Zoonotic Disease**

**Date:** Tuesday, July 15<sup>th</sup> 2008 **Time:** 6 p.m.-7:30 p.m.

**Location:** Abigail Adams Middle School, 89 Middle St., Weymouth

*This is an overview of the epidemiology of three diseases that are on everyone's mind at this time of year: Lyme Disease, West Nile Virus and EEE. This Training does **not** discuss medical treatment or management of the diseases but will address ways to protect you, your family and community.*

### 2. **New Member Orientation**

**Date:** Tuesday, July 22nd **Time:** 10 a.m.-11:30 a.m.

**Location:** Everett City Hall, Keverian Rm. (3<sup>rd</sup> Floor), 484 Broadway, Everett

**OR**

**Date:** Tuesday, July 22nd **Time:** 6 p.m. to 7:30

**Location:** Everett City Hall, Keverian Rm. (3<sup>rd</sup> Floor), 484 Broadway, Everett

*If you were not able to attend an orientation in the beginning please come learn more about the Medical Reserve Corps. Also, this is a great opportunity to get your family and friends involved in this program. So, if you know someone is interested in volunteering please let them know when these orientations will be held. Parking available in the back of the building.*

### 3. **Home Preparedness 101: Simple Steps for Individuals and Families:**

**Date:** Tuesday, July 29<sup>th</sup> 2008 **Time:** 10 a.m.-12 a.m.

**Location:** Cohasset Town Hall, Basement meeting room, 41 Highland Ave, Cohasset

*Please see description above*

- **CEUs are available for this course**

## **August**

### **1. Emergency Dispensing Site Training Part 1: The Mechanics**

**Date:** Tuesday, August 5<sup>th</sup> 2008 **Time:** 1:30 p.m.-3:30 p.m.

**Location:** Revere High School, 101 School Street, Revere

*The first part of two part training, this training will prepare you to work with public health department staff and other volunteers to support distribution of medication or vaccine efficiently, expediently and safely during an emergency. Presenter: Ashley Barrat, Massachusetts Department of Public Health. All MRC volunteers are strongly encouraged to take this class. \* We must have at least 12 participants to run this training/CEUs have been requested*

### **2. Presentation on Bioterrorism Agents**

**Date:** Wednesday, August 27<sup>th</sup> 2008 **Time:** 6 p.m.-8 p.m.

**Location:** Canton Public Library, 786 Washington Street, Lower Conference Room, Canton

*This presentation will include a general overview of the Category A agents, including anthrax, botulism, plague, smallpox, tularemia, and viral hemorrhagic fevers. The overview will cover the characteristics of each agent, clinical description, reservoir, transmission, incubation period, infectious period, and general epidemiological features, such as the distribution or incidence in populations. The presentation will provide information regarding the reporting requirements and laboratory services available for confirmation. Educational materials, such as relevant fact sheets for each agent, will be distributed. \* CEUs are available for this course*

## **September**

### **1. Strategic National Stockpile Information training**

**Date:** Thursday, September 11<sup>th</sup> 2008 **Time:** 6 pm-8 pm

**Location:** Dedham Town Hall, Lower Conference Room, 26 Bryant Street, Dedham

*Come and Learn about the CDC's Strategic National Stockpile (SNS) which has large quantities of medicine and medical supplies to protect the American public if there is a public health emergency (terrorist attack, flu outbreak, earthquake) severe enough to cause local supplies to run out. Once Federal and local authorities agree that the SNS is needed, medicines will begin to be delivered to any state in the U.S. within 12 hours. Each state had plans to receive and distribute SNS medicine and medical supplies to local communities as quickly as possible. Presenter: Carly Foster, Assistant Strategic National Stockpile Coordinator \* CEUs are available for this course*

**Upcoming Events:** While the exact dates of these next two events are unknown at this time, please let me know if you might be interested in volunteering for them. While I will email out the dates once I know them, there will not be another training schedule going out before these events occur. I know that many of you might be interested in one or both of the events, but do not have email or have trouble receiving email from me. Please contact me to let me know if you are interested. I will be keeping a list of all interested people and will call you to let you know dates once I have them.

**\* Emergency Dispensing Site Exercise: Cambridge \***

**Date:** September: Exact Date TBD

*Rescheduled from June 12<sup>th</sup>, this exercise will take place at the Tobin School in Cambridge. We will be testing an anthrax scenario at one of our area emergency dispensing sites. We need people to help with the clinic and also to be run through the site as victims. The drill will take approximately 4 hours.*

**\* Influenza Specialty Care Unit Drill: South Shore Hospital \***

**Date:** Late October: Exact Date TBD

*Again, while we do not have the exact date of this training please let me know if you may want to participate. I will keep all interested volunteers on a list and notify you of the date. This drill provides an exciting opportunity to work with our community partners on a large- scale drill. Come help the hospital and local health departments drill their plans for a flu pandemic.*

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**On-line Trainings**

1. University of North Carolina, School of Public Health  
[http://www.sph.unc.edu/nccphp/training/training\\_list/](http://www.sph.unc.edu/nccphp/training/training_list/)
2. University of Illinois at Chicago, School of Public Health <http://www.uic.edu/sph/prepare/>
3. State University of New York at Albany, School of Public Health  
<http://www.ualbanycph.org/default.cfm>
4. Columbia University, Mailman School of Public Health Basic Emergency Preparedness for all Public Health Workers—Only on-line course, very good introduction!!  
<http://cpmnet.columbia.edu/dept/sph/CPHP/>
5. University of Minnesota, Center for Public Health Preparedness, School of Public Health  
<http://www.umncphp.umn.edu/courses.html>
6. ICS-100/NIMS-700, FEMA, <http://training.fema.gov/EMIWeb/IS/is100.asp> (ICS 100)  
<http://www.training.fema.gov/emiWeb/IS/is700.asp> (NIMS 700).