



# Boston Medical Reserve Corps

## Fall 2011 Course Calendar

**This is an informational handout. All courses listed below are offered to Boston MRC volunteers. If you would like to attend, please register as a volunteer by visiting [www.BostonMRC.org](http://www.BostonMRC.org) and following the instructions on how to join.**

### New Member Orientation

Orientation covers the important role of Boston MRC volunteers, when and how volunteers are activated, potential roles, and how to prepare yourself and your family for an emergency. Orientation is a pre-requisite for all other Boston MRC trainings, and is required in order to volunteer at emergencies or special events.

**Dates:**

- Wednesday, September 14, 2011
- Thursday, October 13, 2011
- Tuesday, November 1, 2011
- Thursday, December 1, 2011
- Wednesday, January 18, 2012

*For more information and to register, please go to: [www.BostonMRC.org](http://www.BostonMRC.org)*

### Special Topics Courses

**Medical and Societal Impacts of Disasters: Lessons Learned from the 21st Century**

Tuesday, September 27, 2011	6:00pm-8:00pm	Faculty: Dr. Gregory Ciottone, MD, FACEP
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Join our guest lecturer, Dr. Ciottone, as he describes how communities deal with the challenges of recovery from a disaster and the provision of continued access to care. Learn how historical precedent is the backdrop for the current understanding that it is imperative the international community approach global disaster preparedness and response in a more organized and evidence-based way.

**Household Preparedness**

Wednesday, October 26, 2011	6:00pm-8:00pm	Faculty: DelValle Institute/Office of Public Health Preparedness
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As a Boston MRC volunteer, it is important to ensure that you and your household are prepared so you can respond to a large scale event or emergency. This course will provide you with the necessary knowledge and skills to prepare your household for all types of hazards.

**Leadership Under Pressure**

Tuesday, January 31, 2012	6:00pm-8:00pm	Faculty: DelValle Institute/Office of Public Health Preparedness
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In this course, Boston MRC volunteers will explore leadership principles in crises and have an opportunity to apply key concepts to develop their leadership skills.

## Core Courses

### **Managing a Mass Dispensing Clinic**

Thursday, September 22, 2011	6:00pm-8:00pm	Faculty: DelValle Institute/Office of Public Health Preparedness
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This interactive session will review the logistics of setting up a mass dispensing clinic, activities and resources needed to operate a clinic, potential volunteer roles and challenges in clinic management.

### **Introduction to the Incident Command System (ICS)**

Tuesday, October 18, 2011	6:00pm-8:00pm	Faculty: DelValle Institute/Office of Public Health Preparedness
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This course describes how ICS core principles and basic organizational structure can be applied across differing types of incidents. Participants will practice applying ICS in a mass dispensing clinic scenario.

### **Patient Tracking in Mass Casualty Events**

Wednesday, November 9, 2011	6:00pm-8:00pm	Faculty: DelValle Institute/Office of Public Health Preparedness
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This course teaches MRC volunteers how to use the Metro Boston Patient Tracking system in large planned events, such as the Boston Marathon, and in emergencies, such as a mass dispensing clinic.

### **Shelter Operations**

Tuesday, December 6, 2011	6:00pm-8:00pm	Faculty: DelValle Institute/Office of Public Health Preparedness
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In this course, Boston MRC volunteers will learn how to set up and manage a shelter, how ICS works during a sheltering operation, and how best to care for the individuals who have been affected by an emergency or disaster.

### **Promoting Resiliency in an Emergency: Psychological First Aid**

Thursday, January 26, 2012	6:00pm-8:00pm	Faculty: DelValle Institute/Office of Public Health Preparedness
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Participants will learn to recognize typical traumatic reactions and practice providing basic support to those experiencing them. Boston MRC volunteers will also learn strategies for how to manage the psychological impact of emergencies on themselves and their team members.

## Continuing Education

### **Office of Emergency Medical Services (OEMS) Credits:**

Application has been made for 2 hours of MA OEMS credits.

### **Nursing Contact Hours**

These programs were designed to meet the Massachusetts Board of Registration in Nursing regulatory requirements (244 CMR 5.00) for continuing education and is the equivalent of **2.4 contact hours**.

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