

MRC Timeline of Events:

Oct, 2006 – Williams County Health Dept. was authorized to organize an MRC
Nov, 2006-Jan, 2007 – Health Commissioner attended various MRC training programs

Feb, 2007 – Linda Earle was appointed MRC Coordinator

Mar, 2007 – Attended Wms. Co. Business & Industry Show to attract MRC Volunteers
Created Display Board and handed out literature and Emergency Prep. DVDs

Mar, 2007 – Mass mailings to medical offices and churches and posted flyers on
community bulletin boards to recruit MRC volunteers

Apr, 2007 – MRC Coordinator attended the National MRC Conference at Providence, RI
and met with the acting US Surgeon General. Fantastic & inspiring opportunity!

May, 2007 – Coordinated and participated in Health Dept. Regional Pan Flu Exercise

June, 2007 – Completed ICS300 & 400 Incident Command Training

July, 2007 – Met with northwest Ohio MRC Coordinators to share MRC efforts & now
meet or conference call monthly to compare activities & training schedules, etc.

Aug, 2007 – Obtained an ASPR mini grant to offer Core Disaster Life Support training

Aug, 2007 – Coordinator attended regional MRC Conference @ Chicago, IL

Aug 2008 – Requested sanitarians & nurses for Hancock/Putnam County Flooding

Sept, 2007 – Utilized the State MRC Display Bd & handed out info. at Wms. Co. Fair

Oct, 2007 – Helped plan the 6 Pact (6 county) MRC Conference and secured
Juddson Laipply with “Evolution of Dance” for “Dealing with Life Changes”
education & entertainment for the MRC conference

Nov, 2007 – Hosted a Mass Flu Clinic for Williams County

Nov, 2007 – Brought in Save A Life Tour (Drunk Driving Prevention Program with
Driving Simulator) for area high schools. MRC Coordinator secured program and
volunteers assisted. It took months to raise \$10,000 and bring this program here.

Dec, 2007 – MRC Volunteer CPR Trainings

Jan, 2008 – Created an MRC Billboard to recruit MRC Volunteers (@ Rt. 107 & Rt. 15)
Also – various media promotions via radio, TV, and newspaper

Jan, 2008 – Started a Core Leadership Team for Williams County MRC

Jan, 2008 – Acute Care Facility Training @ Henry Co.

Feb, 2008 – Created MRC Volunteer Handbook

Feb, 2008 – Emergency Planning Presentations @ Wms. Co. Senior Centers

Mar, 2008 – “Intro to MRC” Trainings

Apr, 2008 – Health Dept. Tornado Tabletop Drill in Williams County

Apr, 2008 – Coordinator received a training scholarship to attend the
National MRC Conference in Portland, OR

Apr, 2008 – Mass Prophylaxis Training @ Henry Co.

Apr, 2008 – Volunteer Reception Center Training, Perrysburg, OH

May, 2008 – Red Cross First Aid Training for MRC Volunteers

May, 2008 – Children in Disasters Training in Toledo, OH

May, 2008 – Chempack Training @ Owens Community College

June, 2008 – Health Dept & Hospital Pandemic Flu Regional Exercise

June, 2008 – Kristine Holmes training on Pan Flu & the Faith Community

June, 2008 – Alternate Care Facility Exercise @ Bowling Green State Univ.

July, 2008 – EMA Chemical Spill Drill @ EMS

July, 2008 – CISM (Critical Incident Stress Management) Training @ Defiance, OH

July 2008 – Volunteer photos taken, MRC ID Badges made & distributed

Aug. 5, 2008 – Core Disaster Life Support Training @ Bryan, OH

Aug 6-8, 2008 – Coordinator & Volunteer attended regional conference @ Columbus

Sept 8-15, 2008 – Williams County Fair – Display & Educational Hand outs
Emergency Supply Bags to New Recruits
Sept. 20, 2008 – Special Needs Training for Volunteers at Toledo, OH
Oct. 8, 2008 – COOP (Continuation of Operations) Tabletop Drill
Oct.19, 2008 – ICS700 & ICS100 (Incident Command) Training for MRC Volunteers
Nov. 3, 2008 – Williams County Mass Flu Clinic
Nov. 7, 2008 – 6 County Area MRC Conference in Defiance, OH.
Nov. 8, 2008 – Intro to MRC Training for New Volunteers (Cancelled)
Jan. 24, 2009 – Intro to MRC Training for New Volunteers
Jan. 31, 2009 – CPR & First Aid Training for Volunteers
Feb. 26, 2009 – MEMS (Acute Care Center Simulation) at Wood County Fairgrounds
Mar. 14, 2009 – Citizens Focus Group for Mass Fatalities- 6 county @ Defiance College
Apr. 17, 2009 – Stakeholders Focus Group for Mass Fatalities – “” “”
Apr. 19 & 23, 2009 – Intro to MRC and ICS (Incident Command) for new volunteers
May 19 & 20, 2009 – Hospital & Health Dept. Annual Functional Drill
May 31, 2009 – Awards Banquet for MRC Volunteers
July 30, 2009 – Pan Flu Community Meeting Display & Handouts
Aug. 4, 2009 – National Night Out Display & Handouts
Sept.12-19, 2009 – Williams County Fair – Handout Info. on MRC at Health Dept. Booth
& Assisted with the Children’s Safety Fair
Sept. 29 – Oct. 2, 2009 – Coordinator attended the Regional MRC Conference in WI.
Oct. & Nov. 2009 – Williams County Mass Seasonal Flu & H1N1 Clinics

Upcoming Trainings/Drills in Planning Process:

Nov/Dec. 2010 – Intro to MRC, ICS700&100, CPR & First Aid Trainings
Jan. 2010 – POD Training
Feb. 2010 – 6 County MRC Conference for all MRC Volunteers
Mar. 2010 – Volunteer Reception Training
Apr. 2010 – CERT Training (Community Emergency Response Team)

Future Trainings I am attempting to secure:

Hazmat/WMD (Weapons of Mass Destruction) training
Elderly Assistance (Getting folks into/out of wheelchairs/vehicles, etc.)
TBD - Other Trainings & Drills per upcoming Volunteer requests or grant requirements.

We are also continuously working on developing and/or updating our Wms. Co. Health Dept. Emergency Plans and meeting with county partners such as Hospitals, EMA, EMS, Law Enforcement, etc. to ensure familiarity with each others plans and activities.

We also receive notification and information from other areas within Ohio and the United States on various emergency situations. They will periodically ask for assistance from MRC volunteers, and we will notify you if we are contacted. You can then decide whether you would like to assist or not. (For example, we were contacted with requests for nurses and sanitarians to assist in the 2007 & 2008 flooding in Hancock and Putnam counties).

We also welcome input from volunteers on any training that they would like us to provide in the future. In addition, I send out online training opportunities via email quite frequently. Some of these trainings offer FREE and/or discounted medical credits for those interested in participating.