

MRC SEMINAR SERIES

February – March 2020

The Medical Reserve Corps (MRC) of Dutchess County offers a FREE seminar series each month at locations throughout the County and open to the public, unless otherwise noted. **Registration required:** jryan@dutchessny.gov

DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY RESPONSE (DER) 101

Core Competency Training

Thursday, February 6th TIME: 6PM to 7:30PM

This core competency training will cover the history of emergency response, the mission of the Dutchess County Department of Emergency Response, and how the MRC is integrated into the mission. This training is required for all MRC members at some point. Location: ([DER](#)), [392 Creek Rd in Poughkeepsie](#)

NEW MEMBER ORIENTATION

Core Competency Training

Thursday, February 6th TIME: 7:30PM to 8:30PM

Thinking about joining the MRC or our Animal Response Team (DCART)? Come and learn how the MRC operates, what you need to do to become a volunteer, what would be expected of you and how to join one of our teams like DCART. This is a required training for all MRC/DCART members. Location: ([DER](#)), [392 Creek Rd in Poughkeepsie](#)

HOW TO RECOGNIZE CHILD ABUSE

Thursday, February 27th TIME: 6:00PM to 7:00PM

Would you recognize the signs of child abuse? What constitutes abuse and how does it effect a child over time? If you suspect a child has been or is being abused, do you know how to report it? Please join us for an informative presentation by Rick Keller-Coffey, Community Education Facilitator for The Center for the Prevention of Child Abuse. Location: ([DER](#)), [392 Creek Rd in Poughkeepsie](#)

HOW TO HANDLE TRAUMATIZED CATS & DOGS

Wednesday, March 18th TIME: 6:00PM to 8:00PM

Dutchess County Animal Response Team (DCART) members and MRC volunteers who are interested in becoming a part of the team are invited to this training that will cover setting traps, wrangling scared/injured pets (gloves/towels/nets/leashes etc.), how to read body language and more. Location: [Dutchess County SPCA, 636 Violet Avenue in Hyde Park](#)

Note: Class size is limited to 30 volunteers who are registered with the MRC and have completed at least one of the required DCART trainings (ICS100, NIMS700, Hazmat/PPE or CART101).

CULTURAL HUMILITY

Core Competency Training

Thursday, March 26th TIME: 6PM to 7:30PM

Cultural humility refers to a willingness to suspend what a person knows, or thinks they know, about other people based on generalizations about their culture. This is required training and we encourage all of our MRC volunteers to understand cultural humility, so they are able to offer the most respectful and compassionate assistance to the people who make up our diverse community when deployed.

Location: [Department of Emergency Response \(DER\), 392 Creek Rd in Poughkeepsie](#)

The MRC of Dutchess County is part of a national network of volunteers dedicated to supporting public health infrastructure as well as disaster preparedness and response in the community. The MRC is comprised of both healthcare and non-healthcare professionals who support the County's Departments of Emergency Response and Behavioral & Community Health when responding to incidents of all kinds.

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