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MEDICAL RESERVE CORPS

MRC Scope of Practice: Physician

Purpose: To define the scope of practice for volunteer physicians providing treatment as MRC volunteers in Santa Barbara County or other deployment area.

Procedure or Policy:

Volunteer physicians will fall under the guidance of the MRC Medical Director.

When needed for emergency response, volunteer physicians, as with all MRC volunteers, must first be requested, and then will be deployed as volunteers of Santa Barbara County.

The existing emergency medical system in Santa Barbara County is made up of public and private agencies functioning under established procedures. Volunteer physicians may be deployed a variety of settings including In-hospital or Out-of-hospital settings within Santa Barbara County; Mass Casualty Incidents, Casualty Collection Centers, Alternate Facility Sites, Mass Care settings, etc.

This position may provide, within the scope of training and experience of the physician, medical care in response to a crisis situation or disaster, health education, trauma intervention, administrative duties, staffing of mass care shelters, prescription and/or administration of medications, vaccinations and/or immunizations, and assisting in meeting various public health needs.

SB MRC Volunteer physicians must have graduated from an accredited medical school and possess a current and valid license without restriction to practice medicine in California.

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