



DMATTERS

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TADMAT: Established 1985

NDMS Level-1 Team

Mission: to triage, stabilize and prepare disposition for the victims of any incident that exceeds the medical capability of an affected area, be it local, state-wide, national or international

Unit Commander:

- Churton Budd, RN, EMT-P

Deputy Co-Commanders:

- Jim Fenn, RN, EMT-P
- Kelly Burkholder-Allen, RN
- Paula Edwards, RN
- Mary Vance, RN

TADMAT Info Hotline:

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Toledo, OH 43614**

CALENDAR

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NEW MEETING DATE

Meeting schedule 2001

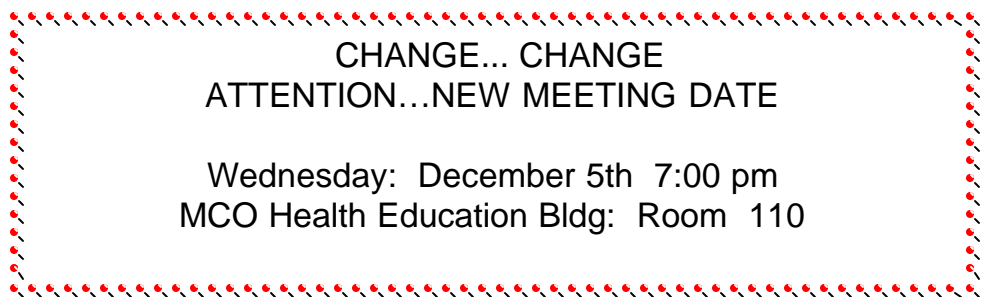
DECEMBER 5TH 7:00 PM

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*All meetings held at
MCO: Health Education Bldg.*

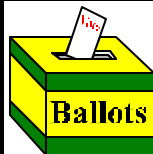


WELCOME HOME NYC STRIKE TEAMS !!!!!



**CHANGE... CHANGE
ATTENTION...NEW MEETING DATE**

**Wednesday: December 5th 7:00 pm
MCO Health Education Bldg: Room 110**



**ELECTION RESULTS TO BE ANNOUNCED
DECEMBER 5TH**



Ballots may be turned in up to 7:00 pm this night: December 5th, prior to the start of the meeting. Votes will be counted and results announced for Volunteer of the Year, Treasurer, and Deputy Commander positions.

Eligible voting members will receive ballots to return by mail, or bring to the December 5th meeting. The election committee will receive votes by mail, or you can bring them to the December 5th meeting.

Election Committee: John Van Rynen, Barbe Fisher and Joyce Donaldson. Any questions: contact Churton Budd or Barbe Fisher churton@mco.edu / bgfrn13@aol.com

Terms will begin in January of 2002.

Two Deputy Commander positions are up for election as well as the position of Treasurer. Nominations for these positions have been made:

Paula Edwards and Kelly Burkholder-Allen will run as incumbents, and nominee: Roberta Hobbs.

Deb Pfann incumbent, and Bonnie Fogle have been nominated for Treasurer.



**Volunteer of the Year Nominees:
Barbe Fisher, Paul Johnson and Mike Fogle**





VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR

This position is given to the team member who best exemplifies dedication to the team and committeemen to show up at meetings, drills and take active part.

The winner of the VOY will receive reimbursement for Hotel, Air and conference registration if they attend the NDMS annual conference. The VOY is also recognized at the conference. Past recipients of the VOY award include: John Van Rynen, Denny Bradley, and Jim Fenn.

JOB DESCRIPTION PER THE BYLAWS: TREASURER

1. Collect dues from the membership.
2. Make timely deposits of dues and revenue into the MCO foundation account.
3. Maintain records of dues, checking account and all income and expenditures.
4. Give monthly financial reports to the membership. The treasurer is authorized to write checks, withdraw funds, or distribute monies belonging to the organization in amounts less than or equal to \$200 (two hundred dollars). Receipts/expenditures must be approved by no less than two (2) Executive Committee members.

JOB DESCRIPTION: DEPUTY DMAT LEADER POSITION

Functional Description

The Deputy DMAT Leader is responsible for assisting the DMAT Leader in managing all aspects of a DMAT mission. The Deputy DMAT Leader may fulfill The role of DMAT Leader in the Leader's absence; when providing 24-hour operations; or may be assigned to work in special positions, operations, or situations as requested by the MST. The Deputy DMAT Leader reports directly to the DMAT Leader.

Description of Duties

- Under the DMAT Leader, manages and ensures proper and timely completion of the overall Team function of providing medical care to disaster victims;
- !Ensures that supplies and support necessary to accomplish assignments and activities are available;
- !Assists in the supervising subordinates;
- !Serves in specialized positions as assigned by the DMAT Leader;
- !Interacts with the MST in planning sessions for coordination of Team activities and support requirements;
- Attends briefings with the MST and ensures all Team personnel are kept informed of mission objectives and status changes;
- !Ensures that regular SITREPs are forwarded to the MST;
- !Ensures the completion of all required reports and maintenance of records;
- !Ensures EISS management activities for Team personnel are addressed; and
- !Ensures performance evaluations are completed for assigned personnel.

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<p>2002 ON CALL OH-I FIRST IN FOR</p> <p>February 2002 July 2002 December 2002</p>

JOB DESCRIPTION: DEPUTY DMAT LEADER POSITION (continued)**Knowledge**

Formal training in managing large-scale disasters or events;
 !Extensive knowledge of other disaster response organizations with HHS agreements;
 !Extensive knowledge of other disaster response organizations, (i.e., ARC, NGOs, etc.);
 !Extensive knowledge of methods of support for disaster victims;
 !Extensive knowledge of the terminology and capabilities of the major Items in the DMAT equipment cache;
 !Extensive knowledge of the hazards associated with various disaster environments;
 !Comprehensive knowledge of ICS;
 !Comprehensive knowledge of the functional and overall role of the action planning process;
 !Comprehensive knowledge of OEP and MST standard operating procedures; and
 !Comprehensive knowledge of supervisory and personnel management skills .

Skills

Five years of related experience in emergency incident management; and
 !Manage subordinates in stressful work environments.

Abilities

Capable of effectively coordinating and directing Team interaction during mission assignment;
 !Possess good interagency coordination skills; work well with technical experts, local officials, and other organizations; and
 !Meet the moderate physical fitness requirement.

Training Requirements

Complete Advanced ICS training;
 !Complete large incident management training, or equivalent; and
 !Complete Command and General Staff functional training.

PLEASE HELP A SISTER DMAT REPRESENTATIVE

Sadly, during her WTC deployment, a member of the FL-1 DMAT team experienced a great loss. Cindy Woodward, a paramedic deployed with FL-1, lost her husband after he had been working a house fire: their own house. Cindy's husband Neal, went back into the house to rescue their daughter. Shortly after rescuing the child, he collapsed after experiencing severe smoke inhalation. Neal then had an arrest, and died shortly after from a heart attack.

Cindy was immediately flown home, accompanied by another team member. The family will be in need as the couple carried no renters insurance, and Neal did not have life insurance.

Gary Kruschke: Florida One Team Commander tells us that the family left behind is in need of monetary gifts most of all. Please consider contributing to the family. A fund has been established to help Cindy Woodward from the FL1 DMAT.

Memorial Fund: Payable to Cindy Woodward, Eglin Federal Credit Union 1498 S. Ferdon Blvd. Crestview, FL 32536 850-682-6688

Gary also tells us that Florida One is home and well, and thanks everyone who sent well wishes, prayers and the like.

While in New York, FL-1 passed on the sentiments of all DMAT members to the residents of NYC.

OH-1 TADMAT TEAMS: PROUDLY DEPLOYED by Churton Budd

The TADMAT has sent 21 people to NYC in the past three weeks to assist after the 9/11 incident. It began with a request for two MD's and a NP or PA to backfill the CA9 and TX4 DMATs during their rotation to ground zero after the WTC destruction. Chris Bosche and Julie Haviland both filled in the MD spots. Jackie Hogan filled in the Nurse Practitioner spot. Chris worked day shift with TX4 and Julie and Jackie worked night shift with CA9. Next came a call directly by Gary Moore, Assistant Director of OEP/NDMS. This request was directed at our team only to fill a special mission. They needed 6 Physicians and 6 Nurses. This was a "hush-hush" type of mission and they could not say too much about it at the time. They said it would be in NYC and would not be working at the WTC site. Lastly came a call from OEP to arrange travel. This turned out to be a little confusing as they did not give us forewarning that our team was also being requested at the WTC site for a rotation. We had a third request now. This request was for a team of 9. As we had already utilized 5 physicians, it was difficult to find any still available. OEP was able to get MDs from other teams. With Paul Johnson as team leader, Barbe Fisher, Dorothy Pennington as RN's, Clarence Wilburn as EMTP, Scott Rahrig as Admin and Denny Bradley as logistics the team deployed with the expectation to replace CA9 and work night shift. A few days later, team members left for the "special mission". Dave Miramontes, Brent Bunz, Curtice Sandy, Churton Budd, Jim Fenn, Mary Vance, John VanRynen, Tina Kerr and Linda Meeker deployed. As it turns out, this special mission was very interesting. OEP was being contracted by the Secret Service to provide medical care to people they were protecting in the UN delegation. Our mission was essentially to assist in the medical stabilization and care, and to travel during an evacuation of the 40+ Protectee's that the secret service had. The plan was to put one MD and one RN with an ALS jump kit in each of six buses and as the delegates left the UN, we would travel to a number of locations finally ending up at a military installation where the delegate would be turned over to their countries protection and evacuated home. Most of this mission was a sit-around and wait mission. Similar to NATO. We were only on duty from 7A-7P so after hours were our own. We did have a couple of scary times when a plane was re-routed accidentally by Air Traffic Controllers into the UN air space when the presidents plane flew out on Sunday. This caused a little bit of a scramble until they found out it was not a terrorist attack. Again on Monday with the flight 587 crash in Queens... there were some tense moments and we got ourselves ready for an evacuation. The evac, although very close to beginning, never occurred as the delegates were evacuated from the UN by their own motorcades. A highlights of the mission for us at the UN included having the president give us the thumbs up as he drove by. Dave Miramontes and Brent Bunz stayed on in NYC a few days to assist the CA4 DMAT team which came in to replace all the teams at ground zero as they were short some MD's also. All in all, November has been a very busy month for the team as we did three deployments, backfilled three teams and had two simultaneous deployed strike teams.



SELF AID BUDDY CARE by Jim Fenn

The 180th Medical Squadron of the Ohio Air National Guard , teaches this course so medical and non medical guardsmen can rapidly assess, treat and transport battlefield casualties. Churton Budd, Paul Johnson and myself recently participated in a pilot program, and provided moulage services for this class. Our assistance was well received and the opportunity for future class participation stands for our OH-1 Team. Those with experience with moulage will be able to assist, or those with no experience can be victims. Moulaged victims will be provided with anOANG flight suit, or BDU. TADMAT will look forward to being able to participate and continue to build our relationship with the 180th Ohio Air National Guard!



Did You Know?

- **NO team members have completed all the required assessments?**
- **One person has completed 22/25 of the required tests.**
- **99 team members have NEVER logged on to the website.**
- **Most modules take less than an hour to complete.**
- **There are currently 25 Non medical assessments to be completed and 39 Medical assessments.**

What you need to get Started

- You must download **Apple Quick Time** to view the slide portions of the training modules.
- You must download **Adobe Acrobat Reader** in order to view the text.
- Both of these downloads are **FREE** and can be downloaded from the Website. When you log on to the training site click on **REQUIREMENTS** located in the left hand corner of the Web page. Follow the directions on that page for downloading.
- Once these two features are in place, you are ready to get started. Good Luck!

Ready, Set, Go.....

Log on to: <http://oepndms.ddhs.gov>.

This site can also be accessed by logging on to the TADMAT website at: <http://Medicom.org>

Once you are at the NDMS site, click onto the **Program Login** on the left side of your screen.

The next page will prompt you for your **USER NAME** and **PASSWORD**.

Your User name is: *First initial* of your first and last name:

John **D**oe + JD

And your last 4 digits of your Social Security number:

123-45-**6789**

So your user number would look like this:

JD6789

YOU MUST USE UPPER CASE LETTERS.

The first time you log onto the site, your Passcode will be the same as your User Name. You can then change your passcode to anything you like.

Once you are logged in you will see the **Course List** which tells you which courses you are enrolled in. This will either be **Medical** or **Non-Medical**.

On the Left side, click onto **Course Material**. This will bring up a

List of **Sessions**. You are there and ready to go.

About CEU's

CEU's will be available soon.

If you do a session now and the CEU's are not yet available, you will be able to fill out an evaluation form and receive the credit based on the date you completed the evaluation. The evaluation forms are not yet available on line. They will be up and running soon.

So far approval has been received for :

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Nursing: Maryland Nurses Association
EMT's : Provisional approval through CECBEMS
Pharmacy: University of MD School of Pharmacy
Dental: Through CHEP who is a ADA CERP approved provider.
Physicians: CHEP has approved. They work through the VA, who is approved through the ACCME.
Psychologists: Through CHEP, via VA, who is approved through APA.
Veterinarians: Going through AAVSB RACE. Still in the works for these sessions.
MD State Board of Morticians has approved some sessions. Still reviewing others.
Social Workers and RT's still in process.

If you Need Help

Call Barbe Fisher **868-8832** Pager: 449-5244 I can usually walk you through most problems. Or Email me at:
Bgrn13@aol.com

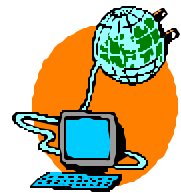
Get a Study Buddy and have fun at the same time!

**** Someday soon, some completed modules will be an expectation for deployment!*



BE A WISE OLD OWL...PLUG INTO THE NDMS
TRAINING MODULES ON-LINE....

If you need help....call Churton...MCO computers are available for the DMAT
team to use!



CDC POSTING HEALTH ALERTS/ADVISORIES

Alerts/Advisories (Public Health Emergency Preparedness/Response Website)
[www..bt.cdc.gov](http://www.bt.cdc.gov)

CDC Office of Communication: Press Releases targeted to the public
www.cdc.gov/od/oc/media/archives.html

You will find articles here on:
Update: Investigation of Anthrax.....
Recognition of Illness Associated with Intentional Release of a Biologic Agent

U.S. Army Medical Research Institute of Infectious Diseases
www.usamriid.army.mil/education/bluebook.html

Association for Infection Control Practioners
www.apic.org and www.hopkins-biodefense.org

H.R. 2333 BILL

KEEP UP THE LETTER WRITING CAMPAIGN!

CONTINUE TO SUPPORT THIS BILL: H.R. Bill 2333 WILL RECOGNIZE NDMS

Review the information below, AND WRITE YOUR LETTERS to YOUR House and Senate Reps letting them know how important it is!! THIS ALLOWS US MORE BUDGET POTENTIAL, WORKERS COMP FOR TRAINING AND DEPLOYMENTS...MUCH MORE!

The entire Bill and more info can be found on the NADMAT web site:

www.mediccom.org/public/nadmat CLICK ON LEGISLATIVE INITIATIVES

Summary of the Bill as it went to committee.

- 1.The bill will give official congressional recognition to the Office of Emergency Preparedness (OEP) and the National Disaster Medical System.
- 2.The bill will give OEP protection so that it's budget cannot be held up during the Department of Health and Human Services, DHHS, budget reviews.
- 3.The bill will provide recognition for NDMS response members as official temporary employees of the federal government.
- 4.The bill will provide coverage by the Federal Worker's Compensation for training time as well as deployment time.
- 5.The bill will provide employment protection for NDMS response members for training time and deployment time. This protection will be similar to the job protection afforded to the military reservists and the national guards.

I believe that this bill will address many of the issues we, as a group, have discussed for years. This bill will be a good for NDMS.

You folks can track its status, and will be able to read the bill, at <http://thomas.loc.gov> or at

<http://www.house.gov/commerce/>.

Please pass this information to other members of your team and to your team leaders. This bill will affect DMAT, DMORT, VMAT, NMRT and all special teams. Please ask NDMS team members to make a contact with their representative and let the representative know how important this matter is to each of us and to every citizen of the our county.

SAMPLE LETTER: TO OUR MEMBER OF CONGRESS.....

Dear Congressman name,

I am writing this letter in support of H.R. 2333 sponsored by Congressman Richard Burr of N.C. The purpose of this legislation is to assure the ability of the Office of Emergency Services and the National Disaster Medical System to be better prepared to respond to disasters in the United States. This legislation is important to me because I am a volunteer (title on team name) located in your district. This legislation also has provisions to provide members like myself the protection of other federal employees. Please show your support of this very important bill.

Respectfully:

Your name and title

OH-1 DMAT

MORE SAMPLE LETTERS ARE ON THE NADMAT WEBSITE!

US ARMY CHEM WARFARE AND TERRORISM MEDICAL ISSUES AND RESPONSE

Live Satellite Broadcast: November 28, 29, 20 12:30—4:30 pm

Each day's program is different. Teleconference is presented at the Medical College of Ohio, Health Education Building.

Recommended for those who do public health training.

For more info: www.biomedtraining.org/index.html

Contact Churton if you decide to go: churton@mco.edu

TEAM LETTER DISTRIBUTED

Jim Fenn drafted a letter for team members to give to their employers, explaining that we are in need, and asking our supervisors to be generous in allowing us to be away from our jobs during deployments.

**You can find a letter from the office of the Assistant Secretary of Health at this website:
www.mediccom.org our NADMAT Site.**

You may see similarities in the letter from Dr. Knouss, because Jim's letter was used as an example! We are often steps ahead of the OEP. Great Work Jim!!