



OH-1 Disaster Medical Assistance Team Membership Information



Thank you for your interest in joining the OH-1 DMAT. Before completing the attached Team Information Sheet, please take some time to read the following information about DMAT. If you have further questions about joining DMAT, please feel free to attend our monthly team meetings or contact any of our members. Further information is also available from the web sites listed later in this form.

What is NDMS?

The National Disaster Medical System (NDMS) is a system coordinated by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) within the Department of Homeland Security that augments the Nation's emergency medical response capability. The overall purpose of NDMS is to establish a single integrated National Medical Response capability for assisting state and local authorities in dealing with the medical and health effects of major peacetime disasters (natural and manmade) and to provide support to the military and Veterans Health Administration medical systems in caring for casualties evacuated back to the U.S. from overseas armed conflicts.

What is a Disaster Medical Assistance Team?

A Disaster Medical Assistance Team (DMAT) is a response unit composed of professional and paraprofessional medical personnel (supported by a cadre of logistical and administrative staff) designed to provide emergency medical care during a disaster or other event. In mass casualty incidents, responsibilities include triaging patients, providing sophisticated medical care in austere conditions, and preparing patients for evacuation. In other situations, a DMAT may provide primary health care or augment overloaded health care staffs.



How much of my time will membership take?

Once hired into federal service and prior to deployment with the team, each member must complete some basic training and requirements. Training includes the completion of self-study modules as determined by FEMA and attendance at least one Field Training Exercise. Attendance at monthly team meetings is strongly encouraged. The team uses a point system to monitor the level of ongoing participation by all members. Participation in team activities assures that personnel are qualified for deployment.

What expenses are involved?

To be ready for deployment, each member must supply some of his/her own field supplies, all personal items and at least one uniform. Uniforms are standard issue khaki BDU (Battle Dress Uniform) available from multiple sources. They must meet NDMS standards. Before you purchase anything it is recommended that you attend one of our quarterly new member orientations. Members are also encouraged to carry a cell phone, an alphanumeric pager or other means of rapid contact.

What happens on a deployment?

Activation orders for the team come from the NDMS Section in Washington, D.C. Once orders are issued, a call-up by telephone and pager will be conducted and members are expected to respond in a timely fashion. Members selected for deployment will have anywhere from 6 to 24 hours to pack and report to a designated departure point. Government supplied transportation (may be ground or air) will transport the team to the disaster staging area. Teams may be assigned numerous tasks including setting up a field hospital, staffing existing medical facilities, and performing medical outreach among others.



How does this affect my present job?

The Bioterrorism Act of 2002 (Public Law 107-188) provides NDMS team members with military necessity leave and job protection under the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act. You must notify your employer of your employment with NDMS.

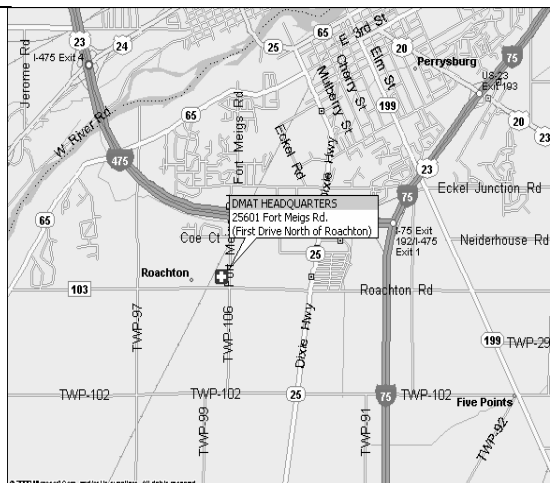
How do I become a member?

- **Step 1** – Attend a team meeting and complete the attached Member Information Form. Return it to the Administrative Officer (AO). You will then become a Candidate for the team.
- **Step 2** – Bid. A Candidate may bid on an **open position** on the team providing the person meets the qualifications of that position. A Bid form should be completed and accompanied by a resume if not submitted with the Information Form. When a Candidate bids on a position, they will be given a CD and other team information. It is recommended that the candidate complete the self-study Training Module One on the CD-ROM. Training modules are designed to give you a basic working knowledge of disasters and the Federal Response Plan. Additionally, the CD includes information about the form and function of DMAT and what to expect during a deployment.
- **Step 3 – Interview.** An interview will be set-up for each Candidate with a panel of several team members. The panel will recommend the Candidate who has the best qualifications for the position and the ability to perform the required tasks. The panel will also answer any questions the Candidate may have at that time. If a Candidate is not chosen for that position, their information will be kept on file. They may bid on another position that opens up proving they do continue to remain in touch with the team.
- **Step 4** – Application. Candidates will be notified of the decision of the panel by the AO. If you are selected for the position you will receive a federal application and any assistance necessary for you to complete the packet. This is a long, detailed document and includes licensure information, a background check and fingerprinting. Your application will be submitted to FEMA for approval within 48 hours of completion. Ultimate approval will come from FEMA. There is no set time period for this process and patience is important.
- **Step 5** – Training. When you become federalized, you will need to comply with all FEMA requirements. On-line training modules must be completed. You must attend one Field Exercise and specific immunizations and/or proof of immunity for common diseases are required to be on file with the team before you can deploy to the field. You will be provided with a copy of the policy. It provides several options for compliance. There will be no out of pocket expense for complying with this policy.

Once your application has been processed at the Federal level, you have been issued your Federal ID card, you have completed all training requirements and have complied with the Immunization policy, you will be qualified to deploy with the team. You will also be given a suggested list of what/how to pack. During deployments you are a paid employee of the Federal government. As such you are covered under the Federal workers compensation system and the Federal tort claims act for liability coverage. If you are practicing under a license (for medical members) you have automatic reciprocity to wherever you are deployed. The DHS is considered a uniformed service so you will be required to purchase at least one khaki BDU uniform (a tax-deductible expense) and other personal preparedness items. The team Quartermaster will issue some field items to you immediately prior to deployment.

Meeting Schedule 2005

February 16, 2005
March 17, 2005
April 20, 2005
May 19, 2005
June 15, 2005
July 21, 2005
August 17, 2005
September 15, 2005
October 19, 2005
November 17, 2005
December – No Meeting



Most meetings are held at 7:00 PM at the OH-1 DMAT Headquarters, 25601 Fort Meigs Rd., Ste A, Perrysburg, Oh. Take US 25 southbound, turn right on Roachton Rd. then right on Fort Meigs Rd. Turn left into the first driveway into the warehouse complex. Located in last building on the left.

Call the OH-1 DMAT Hotline (419-383-5163) for updates on meetings & locations.

For Further Information:

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Additional information is available at the following web Sites:

<http://www.oh1dmat.org>
<http://www.ndms.fema.gov>



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Date Received:

I am interested in service on the OH-1 Disaster Medical Assistance Team.

Name: (Last, First MI)					SSN:				
Mailing Address:					Date of Birth:			Sex:	
					Home Phone:				
					Work Phone:				
Email address:					Fax:				
Pager#: PIN			Pager Type Numeric Alphanumeric Voice			Pager Service:			
Licensure Information									
Circle all licenses that you currently hold									
MD	DO	RN	LPN	Nsg Asst	EMT-P	EMT- ADV	EMT-I	EMT-B	RPh
Other				<i>Please include a photocopy of each license</i>					
Certifications (circle all that apply)									
BCLS	ACLS	PALS	BTLS	ATLS	PTHLS	CCRN	CEN	TNCC	
Other:									
HAZMAT Training:		Awareness	Operations		Technician		Specialist		Incident Command
Any other information that you feel pertinent									

Complete and return to:	<p style="margin: 0;">OH-1 DMAT Administrative Officer 25601 Fort Meigs Rd. Suite A Perrysburg, OH 43551</p>
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Examples of Team Positions Available

TITLE	GS Scale	REQUIREMENTS
Administrative Assistant	341-07	One year specialized experience directly related to the DMAT position OR one full year of graduate level education or law school
Administrative Clerk/Aid	303-03	Six months experience in clerical, office, or other equivalent position.
Assistant Cook/Helper	7404-05	Experience and skill in the setup and operation of large-scale food service operations.
Chaplain	060-12	Graduate of a seminary. Four years experience.
Chief Cook	7404-08	Experience and skill in food preparation and distribution for large groups, including ordering, substituting, storing and special diet preparation.
Dental Officer	680-13	DDS or DMD. Three years experience or training beyond undergraduate dental school level.
Dietitian/Nutritionist	630-09	Bachelor's degree or higher in dietetics, food nutrition, food service management, institution management or related field. Two years professional experience.
Health Technician EMT-B	640-05	EMT-B license AND one year experience
Health Technician EMT-I	640-06	EMT-I license AND one year experience
Health Technician EMT-P	640-07	EMT-P license AND two years experience
Health Technician Leader	640-09	Three years specialized experience OR one year experience plus master's degree
Logistics Coordinator (Security/Comm.)	303-07	Two years of general office work experience and one year of specialized experience directly related to DMAT position.
LPN/Vocational nurse	620-05	Graduate of an approved school of nursing, valid license, 1 ½ years work experience.
Maintenance Worker	4749-06	Experience and skill in maintenance and minor repair of a variety of unrelated equipment (generators, medical equipment, electrical devices, etc.)
Medical Records Technician	675-05	One-year experience within the occupation or directly related field.
Medical Supply Specialist	2001-09	Two years specialized experience directly related to position OR Master's degree OR one year of specialized experience and completion of one full academic year of graduate education.
Medical Supply Technician	622-05	One year specialized within the occupation or directly related experience to the DMAT position.
Medical Supply Technician	622-05	One-year experience within the occupation or directly related field.
Medical Technician (Laboratory)	645-05	One-year experience within the occupation. Certification or valid license.
Mental Health Specialist	101-11	PhD OR three full years of graduate education in an appropriate social science field OR master's degree and one year of experience.
Nurse Practitioner	610-11	Graduate of a professional school of nursing AND valid license AND at least 2 years experience practice AND certification as nurse practitioner.
Nursing Assistant	621-4	At least 3 months experience in a related field.
Nursing Assistant Surg Tech	621-3	At least 6 months experience in a related field.
Nursing Asst Stretcher bearer	621-2	At least 3 months experience in a related field.
Pharmacist	660-11	Completion of 4 year course of study, bachelor's degree or higher AND one year internship AND one year of professional pharmacy experience.
Pharmacy Technician	661-05	One to two years experience as a pharmacy technician or assistant.
Physician Assistant	603-11	Two years experience as a physician assistant AND broad background and knowledge of medical environment and practices OR 3 years experience and completion of a formal course of study.
Respiratory Therapist	651-07	One year specialized experience in the occupation of respiratory therapist AND bachelor's degree.
Senior Medical Officer	602-14	MD or DO with valid license. One-year experience at GS-13 level. Prefer skills in emergency medicine or surgery or general medicine, ATLS
Staff Medical Officer	602-13	MD or DO with valid license. Three years experience post graduate (includes residency training). Prefer skills in emergency medicine or surgery or general medicine, ATLS
Staff Nurse	610-05, 07, 09	Graduate of professional school of nursing, valid license, one to 3 years' experience. Prefer certifications.
Supervisory Clinical Nurse	610-11	Graduate of professional school of nursing, valid license, 3-4 years experience, experience in supervising a nursing staff.
Supervisory Medical Officer	602-15	MD or DO with 3 years of post graduate training at an approved program AND 1 year specialized experience AND supervisory experience.
Supervisory Nurse Specialist	610-13	Graduate of a professional school of nursing AND 3-4 years nursing experience AND experience in supervising nursing staff.
Supply Management Officer	2003-11	Three years specialized experience directly related to position OR PhD OR two years experience and one year graduate school

****Please note that deployment to a disaster area can be physically and emotionally demanding. Deployable members must meet some basic physical requirements, as well as maintain immunization status files with the team. A team physician will evaluate all rostered team members before deployment. Applicants should take these requirements into consideration when joining the team.**



OH-1 Disaster Medical Assistance Team Open Position Bid Sheet

Please fill out the information below if you are qualified to bid on a current open position on the team. Attach a current resume if not already submitted with the Team Information Sheet.

Name: (Last, First MI)	SSN:
Email address:	
Position Applying for:	Date 1 st meeting attended:
Work Experience or other Qualifications (or attach resume)	
<i>Do Not Write Below This Line</i>	
Date Received:	Interview Date:
Interviewers:	
Comments:	
Accepted	Denied