

MEDICAL SPECIALIST



POSITION SUMMARY

- Evaluating the general health of and delivering medical care to all task force personnel, victims, and search dogs, while under the supervision of the Medical Team Manager, during disaster events
- Implementing the medical action plans specified by the Medical Team Manager
- Accounting for, maintaining, and performing minor repairs for all issued equipment
- Assessing the functionality levels and capabilities of medical facilities in the local jurisdiction
- Performing additional tasks or duties as assigned during a mission

REQUIREMENTS

- Medical personnel certified within an accredited organization, who meet the National Registry of Emergency Medical Technician – Paramedic Standards and actively practice advanced pre-hospital life support
 - Physician Assistant
 - Registered Nurse-Practitioner
 - Registered Nurse
 - Paramedic
- Certifications in BTLs, ACLS, and PALS (or equivalent)
- Physical Training Walk: Members must be able to walk 2 miles within 40 minutes carrying a thirty-pound pack (tested annually)
- Medical Clearance: Members must be cleared by Medical Staff (renew every 3 years)

REQUIRED GENERAL TRAINING

Complete prior to application (no cost):

- [ICS-100](#), [ICS-200](#), [ICS-700](#), and [ICS-800](#)

Complete once accepted to the team (cost covered by Task Force):

- Water Rescue Awareness
- FEMA National US&R Response System Orientation – Computer-Based Portion
- Blood-Borne Pathogen Training
- Critical Incident Stress Awareness
- CPR License (renew as needed)
- Confined Space Search and Rescue Awareness
- Structural Collapse Search and Rescue Awareness

Complete during New Member Orientation (cost covered by Task Force):

- FEMA National US&R Response System Orientation- instructor-Led
- First Responder Operations Level for Hazardous Materials (renew annually)
- Respiratory Protection Training and Fit Test (renew annually)
- FEMA US&R Enhanced Operations in the Contaminated Environment - Instructor-Led

PAPERWORK REQUIREMENTS

After acceptance onto the Task Force, you will need to have the following documents on file:

- Memorandum of Understanding (renew every 3 years)
- Application for Federal Employment
- Immunization Record
- Signed Code of Conduct
- FEMA Transmittal
- FEMA Affidavit
- TEEX General Release

REQUIRED POSITION-SPECIFIC TRAINING

- FEMA US&R Medical Team Specialist
- Canine Emergency Medical Course
- General Requirements of NFPA 1670
- Rope Rescue Awareness per NFPA 1670
- Trench Rescue Awareness per NFPA 1670
- Duties of the Entrant
- Swiftwater Rescue Levels I&II

ANNUAL TRAINING REQUIREMENTS

- Either an Operational Readiness Exercise (3 days) or a Mobilization Exercise (2 days)
- 1 Regional Training (1 day)
- Medical Team Skill Set (2 days)
- Other team skill sets, as needed
- Any personal training required to keep up-to-date on medical supplies, processes, or equipment training

TRAINING RECOMMENDATIONS

- Wide Area Search
- MGT-314 (If pursuing a leadership role)
- ICS 300 and ICS 400 (If pursuing a leadership role)
- Canine Emergency Medical Course

FINANCIAL REQUIREMENT / DEPLOYMENT EQUIPMENT LIST

Uniform items and Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) are provided by the Task Force, items not provided include:

- Belt
- US&R Boots
- Sleeping clothes, Undergarments, and socks
- Swimmer's towel and small towel
- Hygiene kit/Toiletries

The following items are optional for personal protection or comfort:

- Additional bedding options for comfort
- Wet wipes
- Personal Hand Tools
- Other items as desired