

The MRC Hero



COLLIN COUNTY MRC NEWSLETTER



Two Decades of Dedication



Collin County MRC's 20th Birthday Celebration & POD 101 Training



We enjoyed celebrating with all of you!

Collin County Medical Reserve Corps was founded on February 24, 2006.

To celebrate 20 years of community service, we held a birthday celebration at Myers Park in McKinney. We had a wonderful time seeing new and seasoned volunteers. A Point of Dispensing (POD) training made this a learning opportunity as well, complete with an interactive POD trivia game and preparedness prizes. We enjoyed reflecting on the history of our MRC while also looking forward to our bright future!



In the event of a public health emergency, we will use the Everbridge automated notification system to notify MRC volunteers via phone, email, and text message. Phone calls and text messages will come from the Public Health Emergency Preparedness (PHEP) telephone number.

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Training and Events



HOSA Spring Conference

In February, CCMRC members assisted with the Spring Conference of HOSA - Future Health Professionals. This year, the conference was held at Parker University in Dallas. Our volunteers helped to judge student competitions in the MRC/HOSA Partnership, Family Medicine, and CERT categories.



Karen Garofalo & Daniella Gomez
Not Pictured: Pat O'Riley

Closed POD Tabletop

In March, volunteers shared their POD section knowledge with business and school district emergency management officials during a Closed POD Tabletop and Workshop.



Carla Hilkert, Merrie Hiefner, Michael Hiefner, & Kim Stone

Participants appreciated getting to walk through a realistic POD setup and hearing from CCMRC members about how to efficiently get medications out to their populations during emergency events.

Upcoming Events

Texas Disaster Volunteer Registry (TDVR) State MRC Exercise

Sign in on TDVR during the Exercise

4/2/2026

9:00 am - 12:00 pm



STOP THE BLEED® Training

Collin County Public Health
825 N. McDonald Street in McKinney

Sign up on TDVR

5/2/2026

9:30 am - 11:30 am



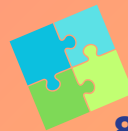
Support that Saves: Building & Sustaining Peer Support

Dallas County Health & Human Services
2377 N. Stemmons Freeway in Dallas

Sign up on TEEX Portal

5/26/2026 to 5/28/2026

8:00 am - 5:00 pm each day



SWPI101 - Introduction: The 10 Essential Environmental Public Health Services & Unregulated Drinking Water Programs

Region 6 Public Health Training Center
Online Anytime Training



Collin County MRC Mission Statement

The Collin County MRC is a volunteer organization that protects and promotes the health and wellbeing of the residents of Collin County. MRC volunteers supplement existing emergency and public health resources.

"You are the Help Until Help Arrives."