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NIMS/ICS Training Offered by the Volunteer & Medical Reserve Corps

Volunteer Frederick's Volunteer & Medical Reserve Corps is conducting two FREE combined NIMS/ICS courses (National Incident Management System/Incident Command System) at Frederick Memorial Hospital. The courses will be conducted by a FEMA certified instructor and all participants will receive a certificate from FEMA upon completion. FEMA certified trainings are accepted by almost every discipline as Continuing Education Units (CEU's). This course is appropriate for all persons who may be involved in emergency and/or disaster response activities should the need arise.

For your convenience, this combined course is being offered twice. The first of the two courses will be held on Tuesday, March 18, 2008 and the second will be held on Thursday, March 20, 2008. Both courses will be held at Frederick Memorial Hospital from 5:30-9:30 p.m. Refreshments will be available throughout the evening.

The NIMS provides a comprehensive, national framework for incident management used by response agencies from all disciplines and jurisdictions across the United States. This combined course is comprised of:

- IS-700 National Incident Management System (NIMS), An Introduction, gives an overview of NIMS (comprised of the Incident Command System, Multi-agency Coordination Systems, and Public Information Systems) for all levels of public health workers, emergency management and disaster volunteers.
- IS-100 (ICS 100) Introduction to Incident Command System focuses on ICS and more completely describes the system's organizational levels and responsibilities of public health workers, emergency management and disaster volunteers in a crisis response.

To register for either of the two FREE NIMS/ICS courses, please contact Jamie Sonnenberg @ 301-663-5214 x 4# or email jamies@volunteerfrederick.org.

The Frederick County Volunteer & Medical Reserve Corps is a program of Volunteer Frederick and is a part of the national Civilian Volunteer Medical Reserve Corps program housed in The Office of the Surgeon General. Volunteer Frederick inspires, strengthens and supports volunteerism in Frederick County by connecting people with opportunities to serve, building service partnerships, and training volunteer program managers.

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