

Incident Command Support Team

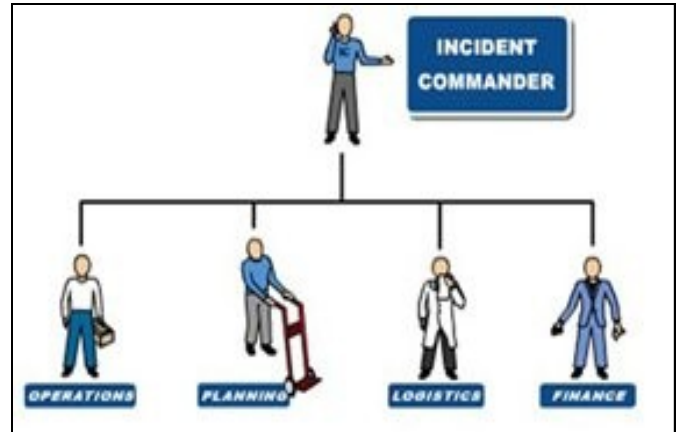
Hospital Incident Command System is a standardized, all-hazard incident management system enabling hospitals and other healthcare facilities to organize resources, staff and facilities in order to remain operational during an emergency and promote the restoration of day-to-day operations.

Plans are underway to recruit and train Southwest Virginia Medical Reserve Corps members for a Incident Command support strike team. This team would initially staff the Regional Hospital Command Center for the Southwest Virginia Hospital Preparedness Commission and potentially local health departments and hospitals.

An event/disaster could last 24 hours or more and Medical Reserve Corps volunteers would be a critical asset to provide continuous sustainment in such an event.

Interested? Here's how to get started....

1. Notify Unit Coordinator of your interest
2. Ensure volunteer profile is up-to-date and discuss with Unit Coordinator need for background check
3. Complete in-class IS-100.HCB with the Southwest Virginia Hospital Preparedness Commission
4. Discuss the role you would like to fill on the Incident Command Support Strike Team
5. Attend a hands-on Incident Command System exercise at the Regional Hospital Command Center
6. Willingness to complete additional Incident Command training classes as needed



The Incident Command Support Strike Team may be called to support any or all of the following positions:

Incident Commander: Organize and direct Command Center

Public Relations Officer: Serve as conduit of information to staff, families, media

Safety Officer: Support the safety of staff, patients, visitors and identify potential hazards

Liaison Officer: Function as Contact to the Command Center representing other agencies

Medical Technical Specialist: Support hospitals clinical capabilities and advise Command of any clinical operations issues. This position is best suited to a health care professional

Operations Chief: Develop and implement objectives of Command

Planning Chief: Oversee data gathering and analysis regarding operations and assigned resources

Logistics Chief: Oversee and direct the operations of physical environment and provisions to support incident

Finance and Administration Chief: Monitor utilization of financial assets the accounting for expenditures.