

**MARK
YOUR
CALENDAR**

June 4th

Psych First Aid:
8 AM—4 PM
Lakeview
Christian Center

June 28th

Community As-
sessment for Pub-
lic Health Emer-
gency Response
(CASPER)
9AM—4 PM City
Hall

**ORIENTATION
DATES**

If you have not gone through orientation, please join us at 400 N. Jefferson Davis Parkway from 9 a.m.- 11 a.m. either of the following days:

June 21st
July 12th

**CONTACT SARAH
BABCOCK FOR
DETAILS**



Medical Special Needs Shelter Training Exercise

On May 1st, five NOMRC members participated in the Medical Special Needs Shelter Training Exercise hosted by New Orleans Health Department, the Department for Health and Hospitals, and the Department of Child and Family Services at Joe Brown Park. NOMRC members helped set up the shelter, practiced triaging and registering patients, assessed our medical supply inventory, and helped direct the exercise. Over 200 people participated in the training exercise. During emergencies, the NOMRC is responsible for working with the New Orleans Health Department to set up and run a local Medical Special Needs Shelter.



Jeanne cares for a patient.



Bijal gives exercise actors instructions.

**ARE YOU
READY?
HURRICANE
SEASON IS HERE**



Jeanne and Mercedes doing outreach

**It's outreach time!
We need your help!**

Sarah, Bijal, and Frieda have been working diligently with NOLA Ready and local agencies to develop new hurricane preparedness outreach materials for at-risk populations. The materials are printed just in time for hurricane season. **The next step is to reach out to at-risk populations: those with medical and mobility needs, families with young children, non-English speakers, and vision or hearing impaired people.** We are requesting NOMRC volunteers help us with outreach at community events, senior living centers, and to agencies. **All outreach opportunities will be listed on the NOMRC website.**



364 Hours

Volunteered by NOMRC members in 2014

88 Hours

Volunteered in May



CASPER SURVEY

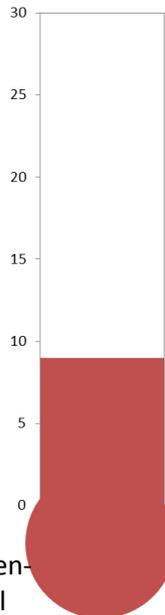
The Community Assessment for Public Health Emergency Response (CASPER) is a short term epidemiological assessment that public health and emergency management officials use to rapidly determine the health status and basic needs of areas affected by a public health emergency. To assure that the New Orleans Health Department (NOHD) and NOMRC know how to accurately conduct a CASPER, **we will be surveying around 150 households in 14 neighborhoods in New Orleans on Saturday, June 28th from 9 AM-4 PM.** In addition to practicing the process, we want to collect information to help steer our outreach. The surveys will focus on assessing residents' preparedness for emergencies and will help the NOMRC and NOHD determine if specific neighborhoods need additional outreach. **We need at least 21 volunteers to help with the CASPER. Are you willing to help with this exciting new undertaking for the NOMRC and NOHD? Do you have friends who are willing?** Let Sarah know if you can help. Thank you in advance!

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New NOMRC Members in 2014



Hurricane Hunter



On May 21st, the NOAA Hurricane Hunter Plane was at the Lakefront Airport for students and community members to check out. This airplane is what NOAA uses to fly through hurricanes and gather data for emergency preparedness and response efforts. NOMRC volunteers tabled at the event to give out hurricane preparedness information and to recruit new NOMRC members. Over 1,000 people came out to tour the plane!

NEW MEMBER

GEORGE

George is originally from Savannah, GA and is currently an emergency medicine resident at University Hospital. His favorite things to do in NOLA are listen to live music and go on walks with his wife.

CHA-KARA

Cha-Kara is from Pembroke Pines, FL and is currently a CDC fellow working in the New Orleans Health Department in violence and behavioral health with a focus on school violence. She will be switching over to emergency preparedness in the next couple of months. While at the Health Department, Cha-Kara participated in some of the freeze shelters this past winter and has attended some MRC trainings. She really loves going to see live music!