**Yates County MRC – 1379**

**MRC Point of Dispensing (POD) Support Mission Set**

**Mission Set**: A scalable response and recovery capability for MRC units and volunteers that is organized, developed, trained, and exercised prior to an emergency or disaster for local, state, and/or regional deployment purposes.

**Introduction:** Yates County is located in the Finger Lakes Region of the western area of New York State. It is bordered by Ontario County (north and west), Schuyler and Steuben Counties (south) and Seneca County (east). Some of three Finger Lakes are located in Yates County: Keuka Lake, Seneca Lake and Canandaigua Lake. There are 13 Localities (cities, towns and villages) in the county with the largest population center located in the Village of Penn Yan. As of the 2010 census, the population was 25,348, making it the third-least populous county in New York.

Yates County Public Health’s MRC was created in October 2007. There are currently 65 active members. There have been many opportunities for the MRC to be deployed such as rabies clinics, Point of Dispensing sites, and Drive through COVID-19 testing sites. All of these events have been adapted to fit the safety requirements necessary for operations during COVID-19. With these changes comes essential training for MRC members to ensure their safety while volunteering. Professional videos instead of in person training reduce the risk of spreading COVID-19.

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| **Mission Set Title: MRC Roles for Point of Dispensing (PODs)** | | |
| **Resource Description**: PODs have two operational choices: drive through, or traditional- with the addition of social distancing. MRC members will assist with flow control to ensure patients/community members are remaining 6 feet apart from one another, wearing masks, and following other traffic flow control measures. MRC members will also help with the additional items that need to be set up such as tents for the drive-thru, or plastic barriers for POD workers to be separated from patients. MRC members who are qualified to be vaccinators will need to be able to understand donning and doffing procedures for the additional PPE required for a COVID-19 POD. | | |
| Resource Components: | | |
| **Personnel:** | **Type**   * Greeters * Vaccinators/Dispensing Staff * CDMS workers * Runners * Traffic Flow | **Licenses or Certifications Required?** Only for Vaccinators- RN, LPN, MD, PA, NP, Pharmacist |
| Volunteers may be deployed as a team or individually. |  |
| **Training Requirements:** | List minimum personnel training requirements to support mission by personnel type.   1. NIMS 700 2. ICS 100 3. Preferably Psychological First Aid 4. Preferably introductory training about PODs | |
| **Equipment Required:** | List minimum equipment required to complete the mission.   1. POD supplies. See Appendix C | |
| **Deployment Timeline:** | Provide anticipate timeline to deploy volunteers (ex: N+48 hours)  - Yates/ Schuyler MRC, Within 24 hours  - Assisting MRCs, 48 hours | |
| **Requirements for Rotation of Personnel:** | Provide shift rotation requirements.  - MRC volunteers will not work more than an 8-hour shift  - MRC volunteers will not work more than two consecutive shifts in a row | |
| **Pre-Planning Considerations:** | **Space Requirements:**   1. Established POD site   **Support Requirements:**   1. Established POD site 2. Activation of MRC 3. Just in time training (JITT) | |
| **Limiting Factors:** | List any limiting factors to complete the mission  - MRC volunteers serve in a support role only  - MRC volunteers are not obligated to respond to all emergencies | |

**Additional Resources:**

  