



## In the know:

June 25 - Radiation Response Basics

July 16-17 - Annual Training Summit

August 20 - Disaster Communication

September 18 - Annual Volunteer Picnic

## An All Volunteer - Nonprofit Organization

*Heroes aren't born. They volunteer!*

### FUN FACT

Local health departments nationwide reassigned 80% staff to support their COVID19 response

### QUICK LINKS:

- [All Hazard Preparedness Guide](#)
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## MRC GEM Presented at CRCPD Annual Conference



Improvised Nuclear Device (IND)



Dirty Bomb or Radiological Dispersal Device (RDD)



Radiological Exposure Device (RED)



Nuclear Power Plant Accidents



Transportation Accidents



Occupational Accidents

Sherwin Levinson, our founder and Executive Director, recently was a presenter at the Conference of Radiation Control Program Directors' (CRCPD) 54th Annual National Conference in Tucson, Arizona. He spoke on how "Radiation Response Volunteer Corps training provided under CRCPD grant resulted in fast response startup team". His very well-received talk explained how an MRC volunteer strike team can operate to triage large numbers of people and pets after a potential radiation exposure. Sherwin's talk also served to spread the word about our all-volunteer MRC GEM unit, and likely inspired others to look into Medical Reserve Corps units in their states, as well.



### Don't miss our **June 25** training on **Radiation Response Basics**

Our meeting on June 25 will cover the basics of response to radiation events. Our CRC Strike Force leaders will be teaching this class, which is a prerequisite for our Annual Summit being held in July.

## DID YOU KNOW?

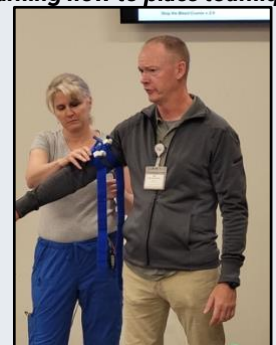
Minutes count! Someone who is severely bleeding can bleed to death in as little as 5 minutes.

*Photos from our May training*

### Keeping pressure on wound



### Learning how to place tourniquet



## MRC GEM IN OUR COMMUNITY

### Multicultural Festival

By Liza O'Neal, MRC GEM Outreach Lead



Gwinnett Police hosted the Multicultural Festival on Saturday, May 14th. The MRC GEM booth was in position number one (Thanks Eric Rooks!). This really was a prime position, as the children attending, picked up their 'passports' at the front of the area, and our booth was then the first one they came to! Each booth was assigned a country (ours was the United Kingdom!) and we had to stamp the passport's. The children received a prize if they visited all the booths. The parents had to wait, while their children learned a little about the UK, and so our wonderful volunteers talked to the parents accompanying the children! The police had their helicopter, motor bike riders and various other machines for the children to see. It was well organized and enjoyable for all.

We were fortunate in having such warm and enthusiastic volunteers! Carmen Stewart, Farwa Bhatti (*Farwa did an amazing job with our customers, and switched languages easily depending on who she was talking to!*), Yvette Whitaker and Liza O'Neal worked the first shift until 12:30, then Sybil Ingram, Melody Osborne and Karen Hart worked the second shift. We provided sweeties (candy) for the children and our MRC GEM water bottles for the adults.



### Community Foundation of Northeast Georgia

Last month on behalf of MRC GEM, Liza O'Neal and Terry Eng accepted a \$5,000 grant to assist our organization. They expressed a profound gratitude to the foundation for their generosity. There was a total of 36 nonprofits represented at this event.

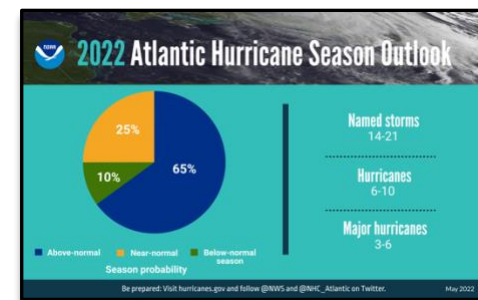
## MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

**David Smith** - A survivalist at heart, but a presentation technology specialist by trade. I have a desire to help people young and old. MRC provides me that ability. Come join us!



We would like to spotlight a member each month in our newsletter. [Tell us a little about yourself.](#)

## NOAA predicts above-normal 2022 Atlantic Hurricane Season



- extends from June 1 to November 30
- predicts a 65% chance of an above-normal season
- 25% chance of a near-normal season
- 10% chance of a below-normal season
- 14 to 21 named storms (winds of 39 mph or higher)
- 6 to 10 could become hurricanes (winds of 74 mph or higher)
- including 3 to 6 major hurricanes (category 3, 4 or 5; with winds of 111 mph or higher)
- NOAA provides these ranges with a 70% confidence.

## CHECK OUT CAREERS NEEDING FILLED



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