

**Prince George's County  
Health Department**

# FACT SHEET

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## Mission

The mission of the Prince George's County Health Department Emergency Preparedness Program (PHEP) is to:

- prepare the County's citizens and residents, and every person working in a public health capacity in local governmental units and private health care agencies to be able to respond to emergencies according to their respected responsibilities and capabilities
- protect the public's health through a competency-based training, response and recognition program
- utilize the Prince George's County Medical Reserve Corps (MRC) volunteers, both medical and non-medical, to prepare for and effectively respond to public health emergencies.

## Vision

PHEP endeavors to establish Prince George's County Health Department as a leader in public health Emergency Preparedness by:

- training Health Department employees and MRC volunteers in all phases of the Incident Command System (ICS), core competencies and emergency operations plans, and
- fully integrating its preparedness activities with other first responder agencies and MRC volunteers.

## Description

The PHEP is responsible for:

- coordinating all health-related responses to emergencies
- developing preparedness plans for various potential public health emergencies and the mass dispensing of medication and vaccinations
- conducting professional workforce training for Health Department employees and MRC volunteers
- planning, facilitating and participating in Emergency Preparedness exercises and drills
- planning preparedness activities in collaboration with other County agencies, Maryland State and other entities in the National Capital Region.

## Clients

Prince George's County Health Department employees, Prince George's County Medical Reserve Corps volunteers, hospital and other medical personnel, and the citizens and residents of Prince George's County.

## Office Hours

Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

## Administrative Office

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## Contact

For more information go to [www.princegeorgescountymd.gov/health](http://www.princegeorgescountymd.gov/health), call the PHEP office number