# ACRONYM DECIPHERING GUIDE AND OVERVIEW FOR TDRT

**FEMA**  

**NIMS**  
National Incident Management System

**ICS**  
Incident Command System

**DAT**  
Disaster Action Team (response to fires is most common).

**DHV**  
California Disaster Healthcare Volunteers

**DSW**  
Disaster Service Worker

**CERT**  
Community Emergency Response Team. The Marin County CERT was established in the late 1990s. Five training zones were created in the county. A two-day training CERT organizes via ICS Maggie Lang is the current CERT county coordinator. Activators of CERT are Fire Department contacts. In West Marin, for example, there are activators in Muir Beach, Stinson, Bolinas, Olema, Inverness, Point Reyes Station, Dillon Beach, Tomales, Nicasio, Woodacre, San Geronimo, Lagunitas and Forest Knolls

**RC DMH**  
Red Cross Disaster Mental Health worker. Register as a volunteer at www.volunteerconnectionredcross.org, access courses for DMH worker via clicking on Edge upper right of screen. New doctrine began February 2017. TDRT members should take two courses: one live and one online. If you previously took the in person course after January, 2016 you are grandfathered in, but need to take the online course: *Disaster Mental Health Fundamentals: Part 1* and *Disaster Mental Health Fundamentals Part 2*, which is conducted in person or via video conference. For help getting on Edge, contact: Kevin Sagar: 415 721 2374 or email: kevin.sagar@redcross.org. He has asked us to take additional trainings: *Psychological First Aid* and *Shelter Fundamentals*, both courses are offered online.

**CISM**  
Critical Incident Stress Management. This is typically a 2-day training that TDRT members need to complete. Upcoming trainings can be found at www.ICSF.org

**MMRC**  
Marin Medical Reserve Corps

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The Medical Reserve Corps program was officially launched as a national, community-based initiative in September 2003. The MRC was formed in response to President Bush’s 2002 State of the Union Address, in which he asked all Americans to volunteer in support of their country. It is a partner program with Citizen Corps, a national network of volunteers dedicated to ensuring hometown security. There is overlap with other community-based trauma/disaster teams such as CERT. To join
**MMRC**: one needs to fill out an application and sign up with **DHV**, which is the vehicle for deployment. Two online courses and a student ID card are required. [https://www.healthcarevolunteers.ca.gov/](https://www.healthcarevolunteers.ca.gov/) You will need a Firefox or Chrome to access the courses: **IS100** and **IS700**, the link is [http://training.fema.gov/EMIWEB/IS/courseOverview.aspx?code=is-100.b](http://training.fema.gov/EMIWEB/IS/courseOverview.aspx?code=is-100.b) After completion of the courses, call Evelyn Colindres at 415 473 2219 to make an appointment at **MMRC**, 1600 Los Gamos Drive Suite 220, San Rafael (enter lobby A near the Sheriffs Department). You will be sworn in as a Disaster Service Worker and will receive two ID cards.

**MCAMFT**: Marin County Chapter of the California Association of Marriage and Family Therapists.

**TDRT**: Trauma and Disaster Response Team, MCAMFT members who are part of the team and meet requirements to be available to help in disasters and tragedies when called on by the Team Chair, typically through the Red Cross or Community Mental Health.

**HELPFUL CONTACTS:**

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