

5th Annual

# 2007 Medical Reserve Corps National Leadership and Training Conference



## FORGING POWERFUL PARTNERSHIPS



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Providence, Rhode Island





# MMRS and MRC: One Response



- Since 1995
- See mission as improving health response by filling gaps in planning process
- Not replacing excellent work of BEMS, BPHC or BEMA

# MMRS Staff Sharing Agreement

- Created in 2004
- Significant input from Hospitals
  - Mary Fran Hughes, RN from MGH

AN AGREEMENT OF MUTUAL  
ASSISTANCE IN THE EVENT OF A  
PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY IN THE  
CITY OF BOSTON

# What the Boston COBTH do:

- The Institution will assign staff and/or students (“staff”) if, and when available to assist the Boston Public Health Commission in the event of a declared public health emergency
- It is the understanding of the parties that the assigned staff will be available for deployment outside of the Institution’s facilities and will be assigned and work under the direction of Boston EMS during the declared public health emergency. ....
- The Institution shall provide for any compensation, health insurance and professional liability insurance coverage for each staff member or student deployed in a declared public health emergency.

# What we do:

- 1. Boston EMS, ...will develop and update on a regular basis protocols related to the declaration of a public health emergency...
- 2. The protocols will provide for:
  - a. Procedures for the notification of the Institution of a declared public health emergency;
  - b. Communication with the hospitals regarding the levels of and expected duration of staffing needs;
  - c. Procedures for the credentialing and appropriate deployment of the Institution's staff; and,
  - d. The provision of safety equipment, transportation and food/housing for deployed staff.
- 3. Boston EMS will provide orientation training and informational updates as needed for designated staff.



## Volunteers

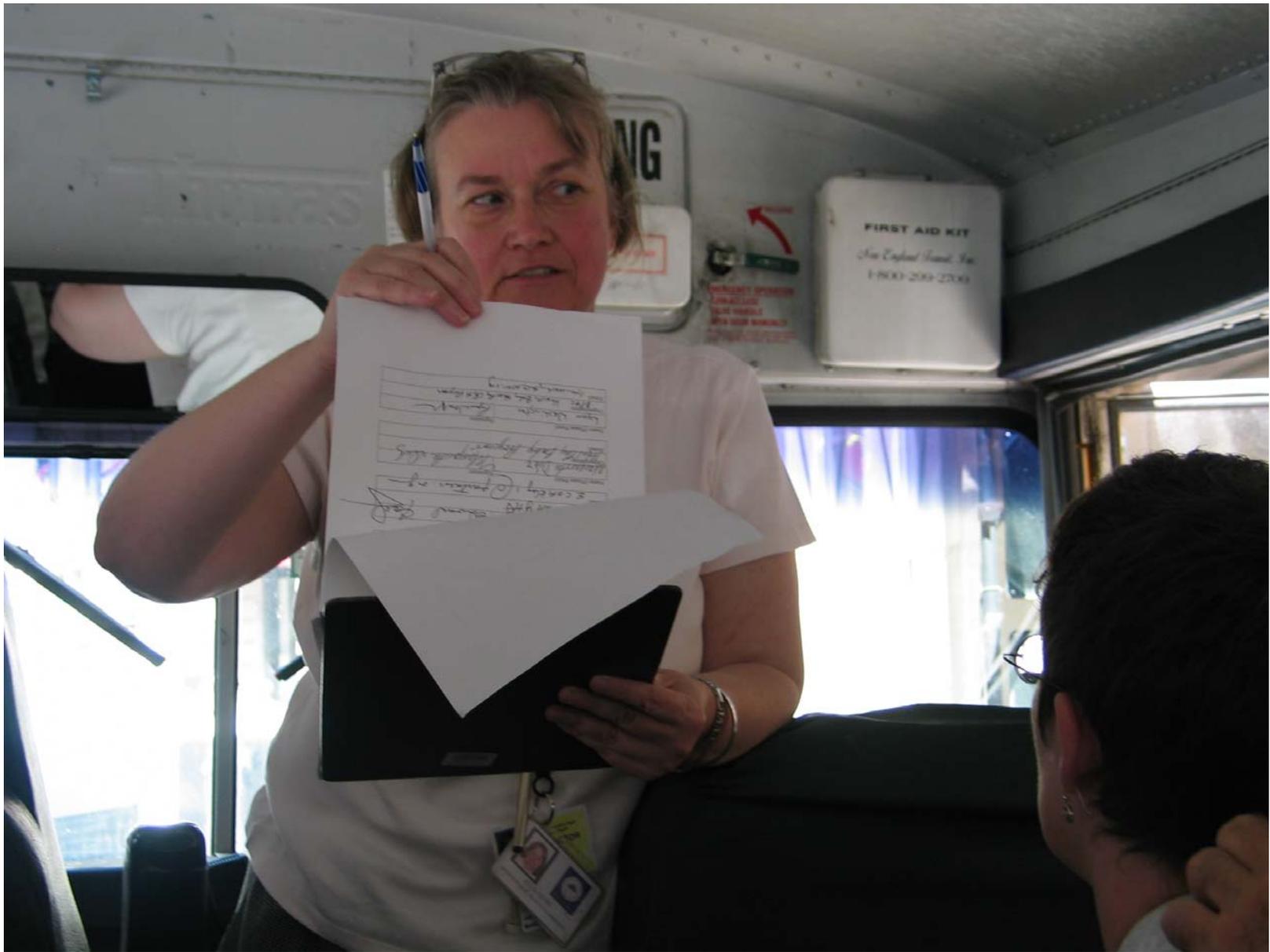
- Value of a volunteer - Leadership
- Several Roles (refer to roles and responsibilities)
- Brief overview ( Pam Coppinger- Clinical, Amy Zepecki - Non Clinical)
- Role Assignments at end of orientation
- Those at orientation not volunteering until later call Suzanne Strickland at 617-534-5678



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MRC:  
Pharmacy  
Students  
draw up  
vaccine



# MRC Volunteers



Goal: Seamless integration and coordination of a rapid public health and healthcare response in the event of a public health emergency

Goal: Safety and Security of all  
volunteers and staff