

# CARING COMMUNITY NETWORK OF THE TWIN RIVERS

## GREATER FRANKLIN-BRISTOL CERT/MRC



### The *RESPONDER*

Serving the Communities of

Andover, Alexandria, Bridgewater, Bristol, Danbury, Franklin, Groton  
Hebron, Hill, New Hampton, Northfield, Salisbury, Sanbornton, and Tilton



## UPCOMING EVENTS~

### October:

Grafton County Sheriff's department will present of their on their Code Red system. Join us to learn more on this notification system. The training will be held at the Ashland Fire Station from 6:30-8:00 pm on October 18th.

On October 11, at the Whole Village Family Resource Center we have the NH CO-OP present a Wires Down course. This training will run from 6:30-8:00 pm.

To register or for more information please contact Donna Quinn, Coordinator at 603-934-0177 ext 136

## UNIT NEWS



The Greater Franklin-Bristol CERT and MRC unit continues to stay busy. During August the unit was activated to assist during Tropical Storm Irene. The process for activation of the unit began with a call down of our unit members on 8/27. This call down was facilitated through Grafton County Sheriff's Department using their Code Red System. This call down was extremely successful with a 75% response rate! Our available members began assisting communities, by setting up and staffing a shelter from 8/27 through the evening of 8/28. The request to have unit members at this shelter came from the Emergency Management Director of the Town of Bristol. Thank you to all our members who supported this effort.

### NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS MONTH

We celebrated National Preparedness month in September. During this month we offered preparedness classes for our members as well as community members, with a class at the Holy Trinity Parish Center and another at the TRIPP Center in Franklin. Thank you to all that participated.

### SCHOOL BASED FLU CLINICS



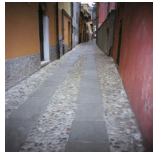
This year the Greater Franklin Bristol Public Health Region will be participating in school based clinics that will offer students (grades K-12) an opportunity to receive seasonal flu vaccine

Our CERT and MRC unit will play a key role in these clinics, assisting with set-up, registration and various other tasks. In addition to the clinics at schools, the Health First Family Care Center will host several dates for flu clinics for students who did not receive a vaccine at their school. For a full list of dates and locations please visit us our web-site at : [www.gfbcertmrc.com](http://www.gfbcertmrc.com).

# CERT AND MRC NEWS

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## Acronym Alley



Ever wonder what all of the acronyms mean? Here is the code to figure some out. Look for new ones each month:

**APHA:** American Public Health Association

**NIH:** National Institutes of Health

**EPZ:** Emergency Planning Zone

**JCHO:** Joint Commission on Accreditation of Health-care Organizations

**OEMS:** Office of Emergency

Medical Services

**WFO:** Weather Forecast Office

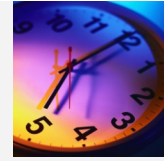
**If you have an acronym you think would be of interest to folks please email [dquinn@ccntr.org](mailto:dquinn@ccntr.org) with your suggestion.**



Have you registered with the Emergency System for Advanced Registration of Volunteer Health Care Professionals- ESAR-VHP. If not go to [www.icanhelp.NH.gov](http://www.icanhelp.NH.gov). It is a quick and easy way to register your credentials and it is a requirement for all GFB MRC members!

## DAY LIGHT SAVINGS TIME !!

Its almost that time again! Time to turn the clocks back, on November 6, 2011. This is also a great time to review your emergency preparedness kit and to check your smoke detector batteries!



## WHAT HAVE CERT TEAM BEEN UP TO LATELY?



### THE CERT TEAM

### GRADUATE NEW MEMBERS

On August 6th and 7th the Greater Franklin- Bristol CERT team sponsored a two day CERT class for new members and interested community members. The class covered the sections outlined in the G317 training modules offered through the New Hampshire Fire Academy. As instructors for the Fire Academy your Director and Coordinator, James Richardson and Donna Quinn taught the class of 14 students. Guest instructors included the Deputy Chief of New Hampton Fire, Kevin Lang. During those two days students reviewed units on Fire Suppression,

Disaster Psychology, Weather Events, Terrorism overview and several other units.



Students learn fire suppression techniques as well as an overview about the different types of extinguishers. Then everyone who wished to had a chance to use a fire extinguisher to put on a fire under the guidance of the crew at New Hampton Fire

