



MCI – Multiple Casualty Incident

SAFETY CONCERNS

- **BE AWARE OF HAZARDOUS MATERIALS.**
- Identify reason for multiple casualties, and take appropriate action to ensure safety of rescue personnel, patients, and public. Examples: toxic release, fire, traffic hazards, shootings, etc.
- A Multi-Casualty Incident (MCI) is defined as an incident where the resources of the first response agency (fire and/or EMS district or department) are taxed and additional resources are needed.

PRIORITY ACTIONS

- Size-up should include **situation, approximate number of patients, request for additional equipment, staging location, OP's frequency, and assume Command.**
- Declare an "MCI" to dispatch as soon as it is identified, CRESA will notify MRH and they will activate MCI procedures at all area hospitals.
- Declaration of a MCI will not automatically dispatch additional fire, rescue or ambulance resources to you! Request additional equipment or alarms as needed. Request an Administration Page.
- Request an Ambulance Supervisor to your location.
- Utilize MCI kit (located in BC-21 apparatus) for assignment of MCI command positions, triage tags, and forms.

SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS

- Ambulances should have a separate staging location away from the immediate scene and have routes into and out of the treatment areas.
- Establish an EMS equipment cache and have incoming units drop medical supplies at that location.
- Wear ICS identification vest as soon as available.
- Ambulance resources may be limited, call for what you need. Utilize buses as needed for transport of appropriate patients.
- Utilize Life Flight as conditions dictate.
- At large scenes, multiple Triage, Treatment and Transport areas may be needed. Coordinate these actions through "MEDICAL."



FIELD OPERATIONS GUIDE

- Request specialty equipment and teams early i.e., Command Bus, REHAB Bus, and Special Operations Teams: HazMat Team (toxic releases, mass illness, multiple fatalities, disasters) & Tech Rescue Team (disasters, difficult rescues, structural collapses and water incidents).