

Missioncraft in Disaster Relief Operations

Melbourne, 5 day course commencing 20th February, 2012

About the course:

This 1-week intensive workshop presents best practices for health personnel in international disaster relief operations. Missioncraft is the art and science of preparing and conducting field operations. The workshop is offered to medical and public health professionals who deploy to acute disasters as full-time, field-based, hands-on providers. It aims to enhance skill sets required for leadership roles such as organizational team leader, or medical coordinator. It is not intended for medical tourists.

Key Topics

- Pre-departure preparation
- Field briefing
- Rapid epidemiological assessment
- Field reporting
- Standardised case management
- Field project management
- Cluster system and the inter-agency process
- Contingency planning
- Lethal situation management
- Dysfunctional staff
- VIPs and curious non-producers (politicians and movie stars)
- 10 key deliverables of medical coordinators
- Career development and networking

Potential participants:

- Health care workers with current board certification or specialty society fellowship in clinical medicine or public health
- Disaster management professionals with authority to lead health teams from governmental (civil or military), non-governmental, Red Cross, or UN agencies
- Humanitarian professionals with 1 year or more disaster field experience
- Persons anticipating future deployment to disasters as medical team leader or medical coordinator

Venue: School of Public Health and Preventive Medicine, Monash University, The Alfred Centre, 'B' Lobby (via Centre Lane), 99 Commercial Road, Melbourne Vic 3004.

Course date: 5 days commencing 20th February, 2012
(Mon 20th to Friday 24th Feb 2012 inclusive)

Learning mode: 5 days multi-modalities in classroom setting

Cost: Workshop fee is \$2,900.00 AUD per person (incl. of GST). This fee covers reference manual, course materials, photocopy use, catering and conference dinner. Selected participants from developing countries may be offered tuition assistance.



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Faculty

The workshop is presented in collaboration with the International Society for Disaster Medical Coordination (ISDMC). ISDMC is a private, non-profit, humanitarian, technical organization based in Washington, DC, which engages faculty with expertise in inter-disciplinary, inter-agency, and international best practices in disasters.

Each faculty member possesses **all** of the following qualifications:

- current specialty board certifications or specialty society fellowships in **clinical medicine and public health**
- organizational experience as disaster medical co-ordinator or health advisor for **governmental, non-governmental, United Nations, and Red Cross organisations**
- field experience as disaster medical co-ordinator or health advisor in over **twenty** countries on five continents
- language fluency in **two** or more official UN languages
- medical licensure in **two** or more countries
- national or international awards for field activities from **governmental, non-governmental, and Red Cross organisations**

Faculty anticipated for the 2012 workshop:

David A. Bradt

MD, MPH, FACEM, FAFPHM, FAAEM, DTM&H

Christina M. Drummond

AM, MBBS, FRACP, FAFPHM, MPH, MAE, DObst(RCOG), DTM&H

Application

Admission to the workshop is by approval. Participant numbers are limited.

Applications may be obtained by:

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