
SERV-OR and the Medical Reserve Corps in Oregon

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What is HSPR?

- Health Security, Preparedness and Response program.
- Coordinate within OHA programs and with Tribal, local, and state agencies to support the public health and healthcare systems during emergencies or disasters.
- 100% federally funded by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response (ASPR)

Oregon Health Authority (OHA) is the lead agency for Oregon's Health and Medical Emergency Response

Emergency Support Function (ESF) 8: Health and Medical



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Oregon State Emergency Support Function (ESF) Quicksheets



ESF 1
Transportation



ESF 2
Communications



ESF 3
Public Works



ESF 4
Firefighting



ESF 5
Information and
Planning



ESF 6
Mass Care



ESF 7
Resource
Support



ESF 8
Health and
Medical



ESF 9
Search and
Rescue



ESF 10
Hazardous
Materials



ESF 11
Food and Water



ESF 12
Energy



ESF 13
Military
Support



ESF 14
Public
Information



ESF 15
Volunteers and
Donations



ESF 16
Law
Enforcement

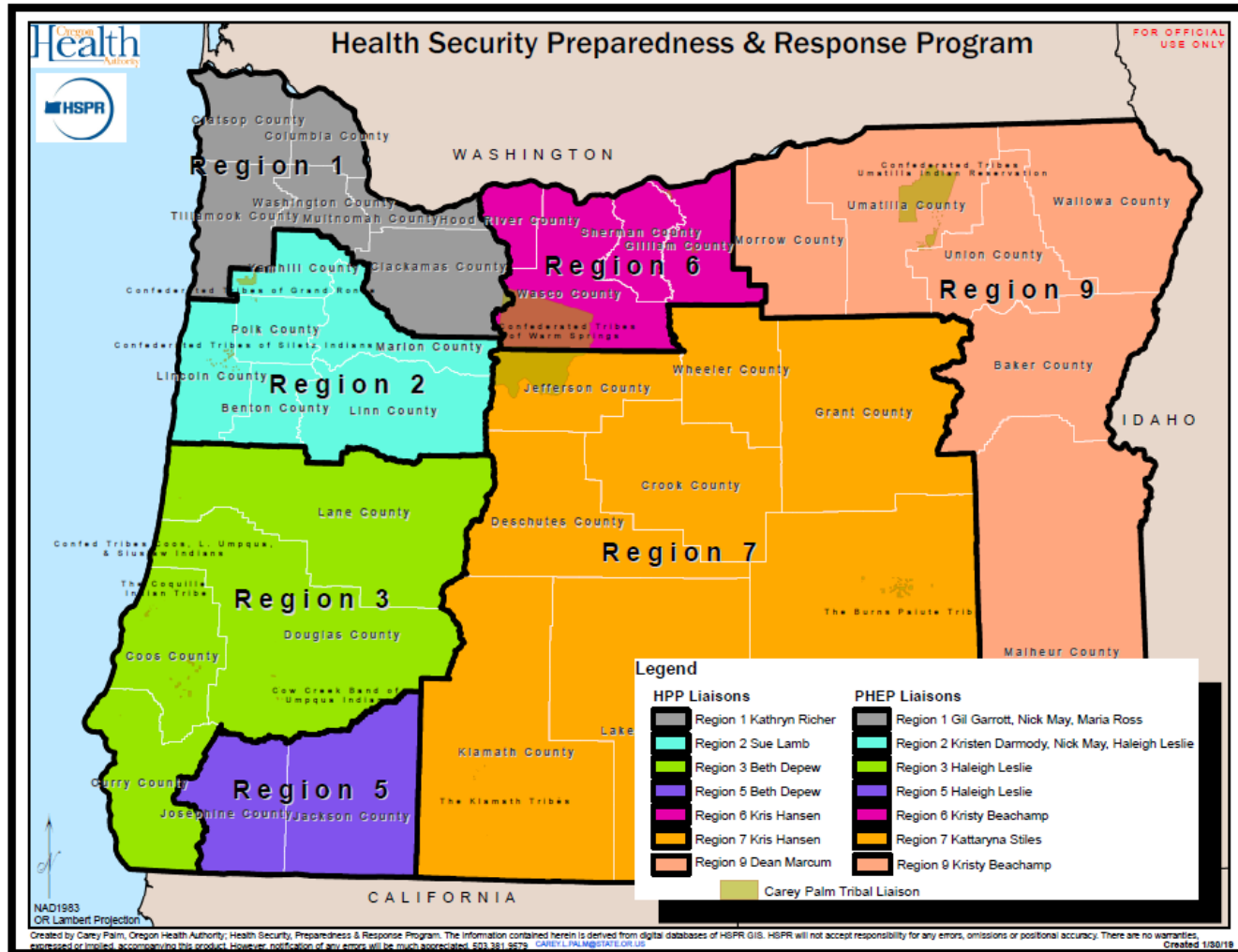


ESF 17
Agriculture and
Animal Protection



ESF 18
Business and
Industry

Statewide support to local public health



Why a healthcare volunteer registry?

- 9/11 Highlighted gaps
- 2002: National registry mandate
 - Emergency Systems for Advance Registration of Volunteer Healthcare Professionals (ESAR-VHP)
 - In Oregon, called SERV-OR.



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State Emergency Registry of Volunteers in Oregon

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Volunteer organizations in SERV-OR

- **Medical Reserve Corps (MRC)**

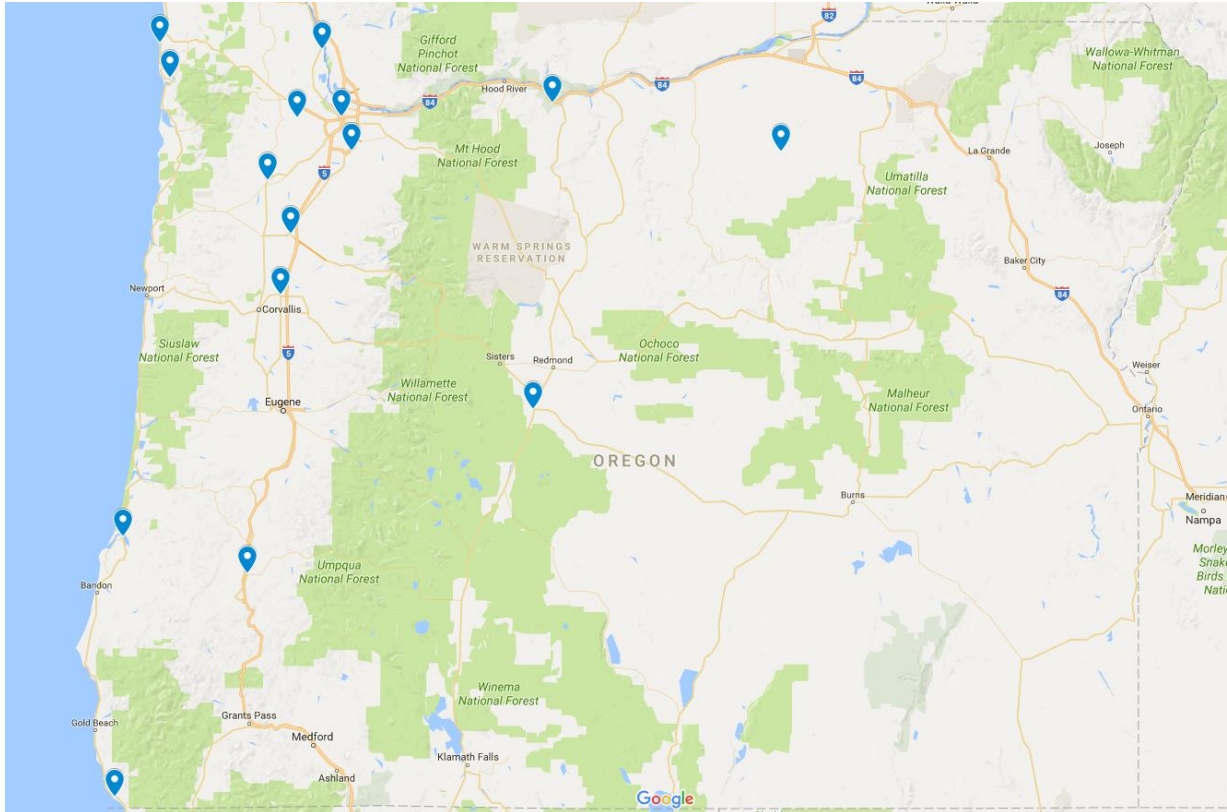
- A national program housed in the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response, US Department of Health and Human Services
- First units started in 2002
- Locally administered resource in Oregon

- **State Managed Volunteer Pool (SMVP)**

- Available for statewide response
- Many also belong to their local MRC unit
- Only respond to Governor declared emergencies
- Volunteers and SERV-OR system managed by HSPR staff



MRC in Oregon



14 units

1. Cannon Beach MRC
2. Clackamas County MRC
3. Columbia County MRC
4. Curry County MRC
5. Coos County MRC
6. Deschutes County MRC
7. Eastern Oregon MRC
8. Linn County MRC
9. Marion County MRC
10. Multnomah County MRC
11. Nehalem Bay MRC
12. Wasco County MRC
9. Washington County MRC
10. Yamhill County MRC

...and growing!

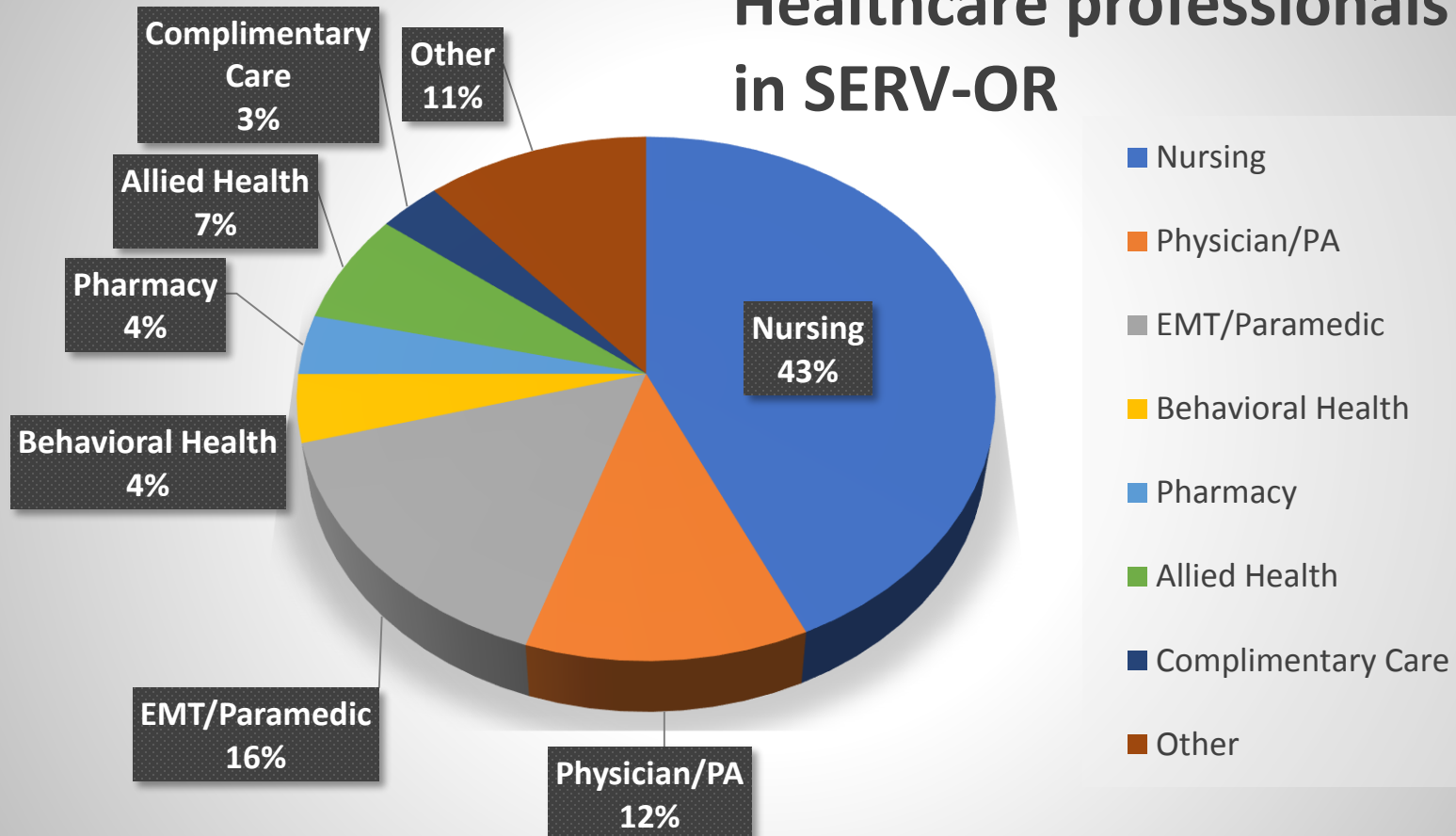
Volunteer organizations in SERV-OR

- **Oregon Disaster Medical Team**
 - ODMT
 - Independent, 501-C3 organization.
 - Registered EMS agency.
- **Oregon Veterinary Emergency Response Team**
 - OVERT
 - Response resource within Oregon Department of Agriculture (ODA) Division of Animal Health and Identification (AHID).
 - Mass animal sheltering; zoonotic diseases.



Who volunteers?

Healthcare professionals in SERV-OR



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2018 at a glance

- Current volunteers registered **over 2,600 licensed healthcare providers**
- Hours of volunteer time 2018:
 - Emergency response: 330 hours
 - Community wellness and preparedness: **559.75 hours**
 - Exercises: **2563.5 hours**
 - Trainings: **2,563.5 hours**
 - Number of training events: **54**



SERV-OR and ODMT volunteers at the annual full-scale Cascadia subduction zone simulated response exercise- Operation Pathfinder Minuteman 2018.

Considerations



Legal Issues

- Licensure
- Liability
- Workers' Compensation

Questions?

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