May 14, 2018

MRC Capacity Gap Analysis – Preliminary Results

Overview

- Determine current perceptions of the MRC program in Massachusetts
- Examine desired outcomes (by region) of the MRC program
- Supplement this information with existing objective data (collected from information submitted via MDPH OPEM quarterly reports)
- Analysis will help generate a strategic plan to help regions as they work to take MRC units from the current state to the desired outcome

Goals

Provide	Provide MRC Regional Advisory Groups assistance in developing organizational approach and funding structure for each region.
Assist	Assist MRC unit leaders in developing annual workplans and budget.
Educate	Educate non-MRC stakeholders about the real-world capacity of the MRC program.

Objectives

1

Gain an understanding of MRC capacity in each region and statewide.

2

Learn about the MRC program mission and goals for each unit and across regions.

3

Examine the gap between the aspirational MRC program goals and capacity.

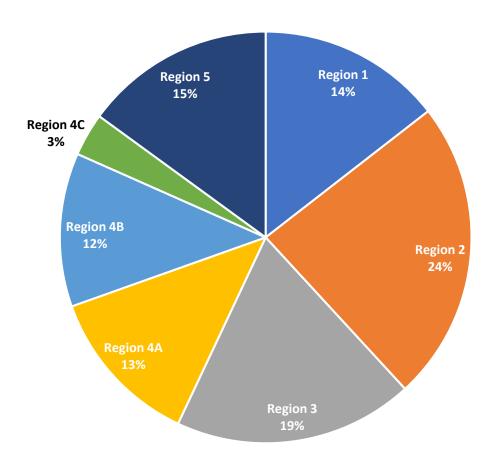
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Target funding for projects/actions that work toward bridging regional gaps.

Methodology

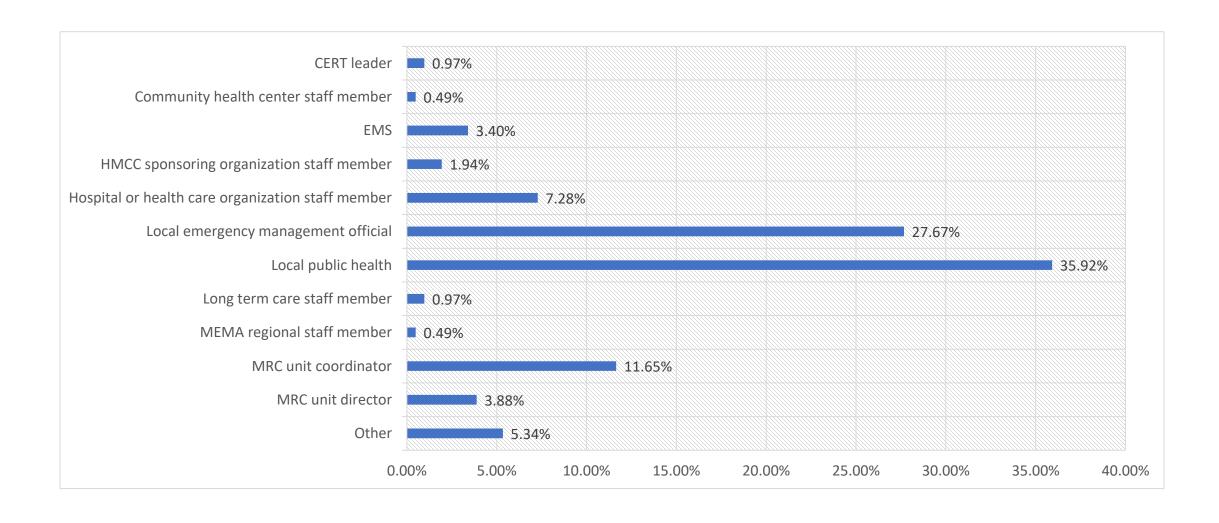
- Online survey of regional stakeholders, including MRC unit leaders
- Survey link distributed to MRC Unit Leaders on March 16, 2018
- Survey distributed to other stakeholders (MEMA, HMCC lists) on March 16, 2018
- Recipients of link encouraged to forward it to other key stakeholders
- Survey closed on March 30, 2018

Respondents by Public Health Region

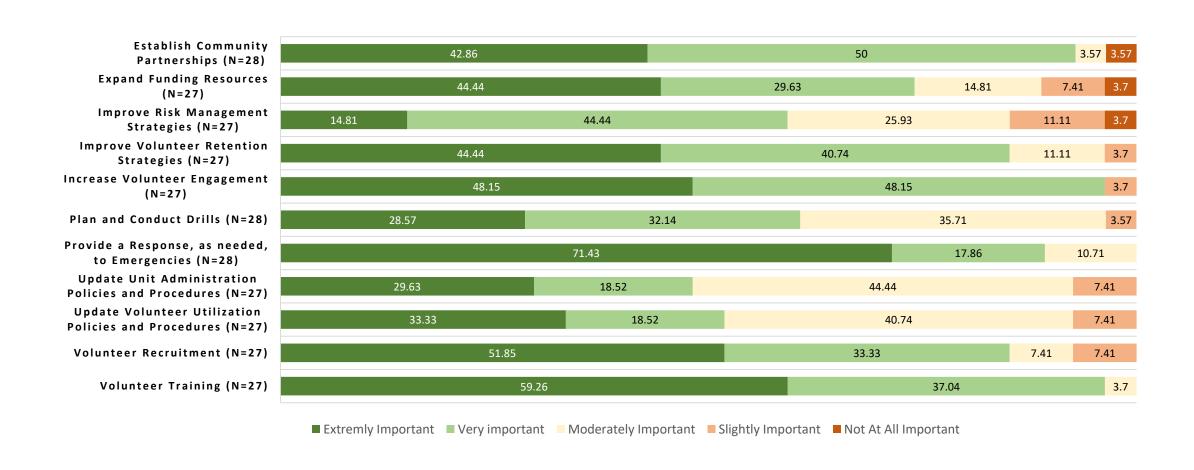


207 Respondents in Total

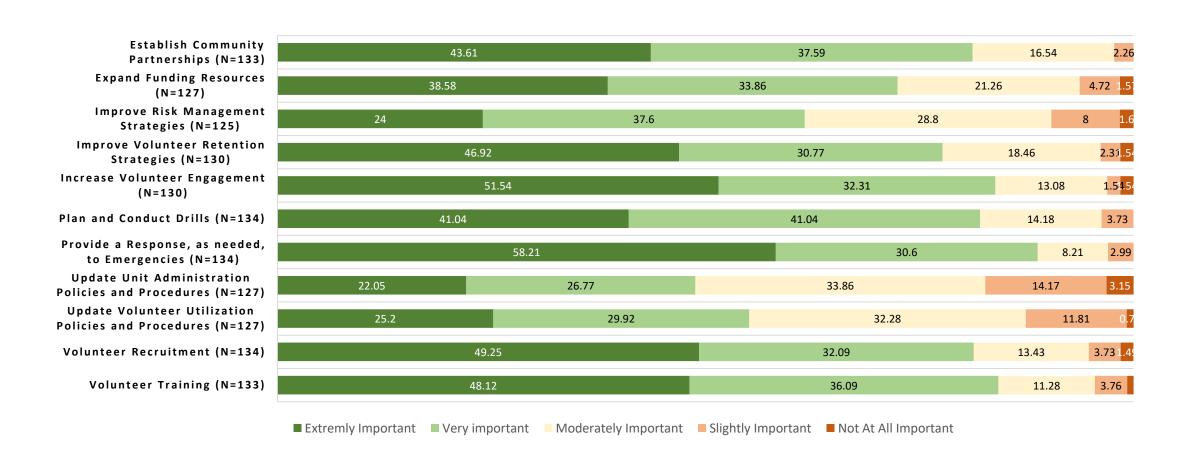
Respondents by Role



MRC Priorities (Unit Leaders)



MRC Priorities (Non-unit leaders)



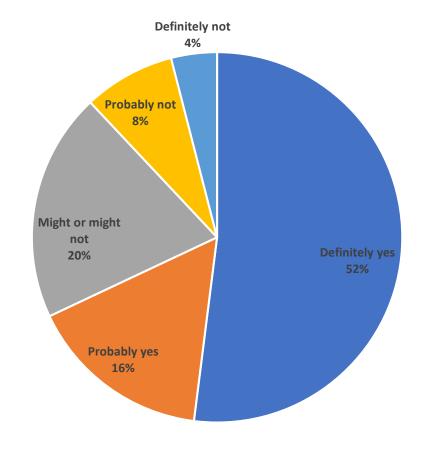
MRC Priorities

- Similar priorities for unit leaders and non-unit leaders
 - Community partnerships
 - Volunteer engagement
 - Responding to emergencies
 - Volunteer training
- There is some slight differentiating in what they consider most important

Volunteers

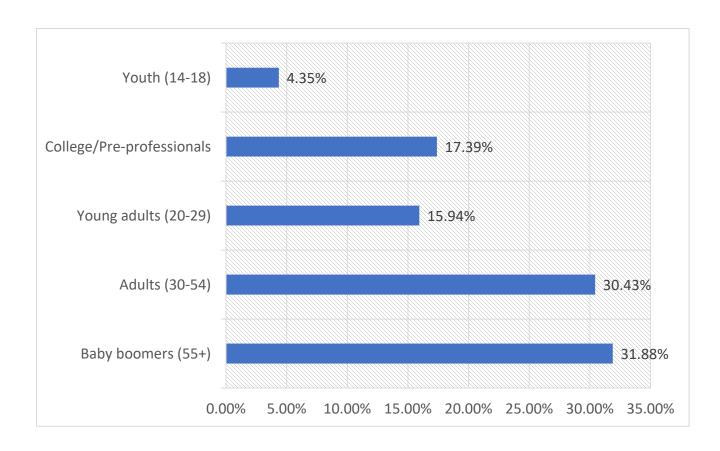
Region	Number of Credentialed Volunteers (Q3 Reporting)	
Region 1	1507	
Region 2	900	
Region 3	1684	
Region 4A*	1389	
Region 4B*	1325	
Region 4C	1127	
Region 5	1932	

Capacity to Manage Additional Volunteers (N=25)



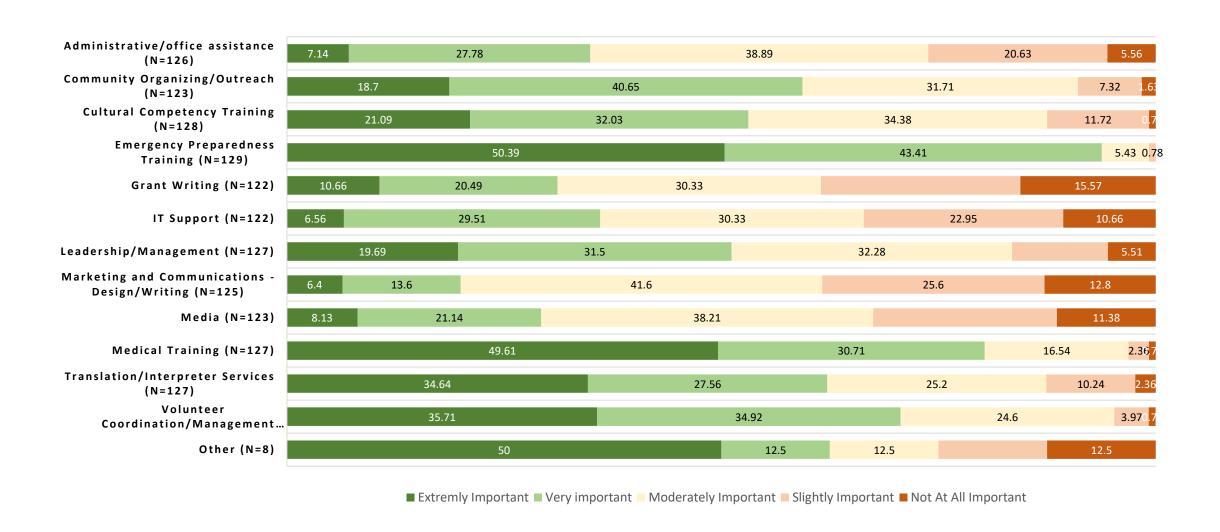
^{*} Based on Q2 Reporting (Region 4A MRC, Region 4B MRC)

Volunteer Populations

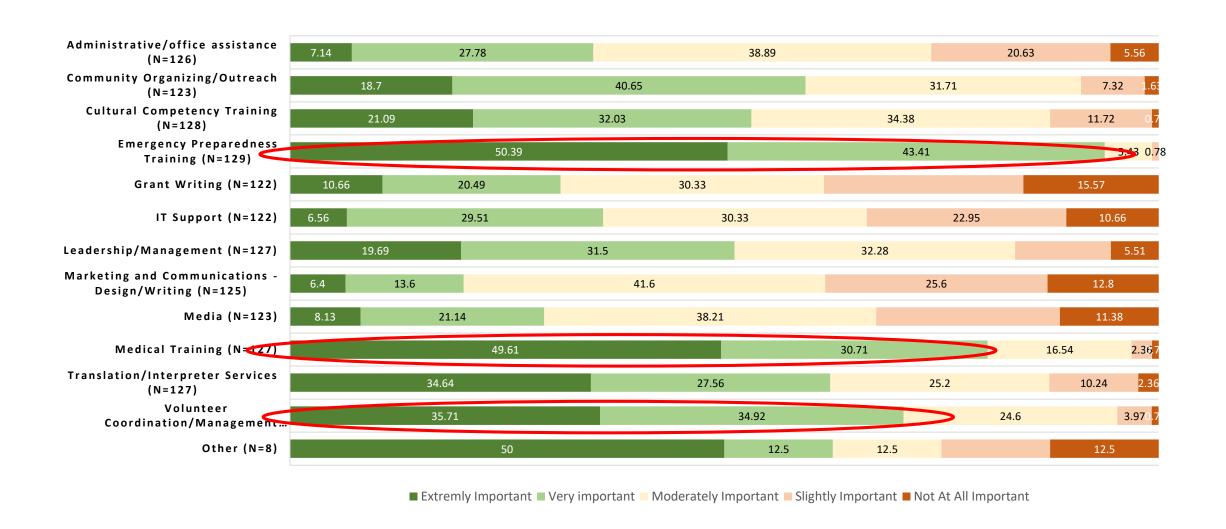


- Unit leaders could select any population-group that makes up their unit to answer this question.
- The total number of mentions was
 69.
- Based on all populations mentioned, baby-boomers were mentioned almost 32% of the time of the time, followed closely by adults aged 30-54 (30%).
- Other than youth volunteers, young adults were mentioned the fewest number of times

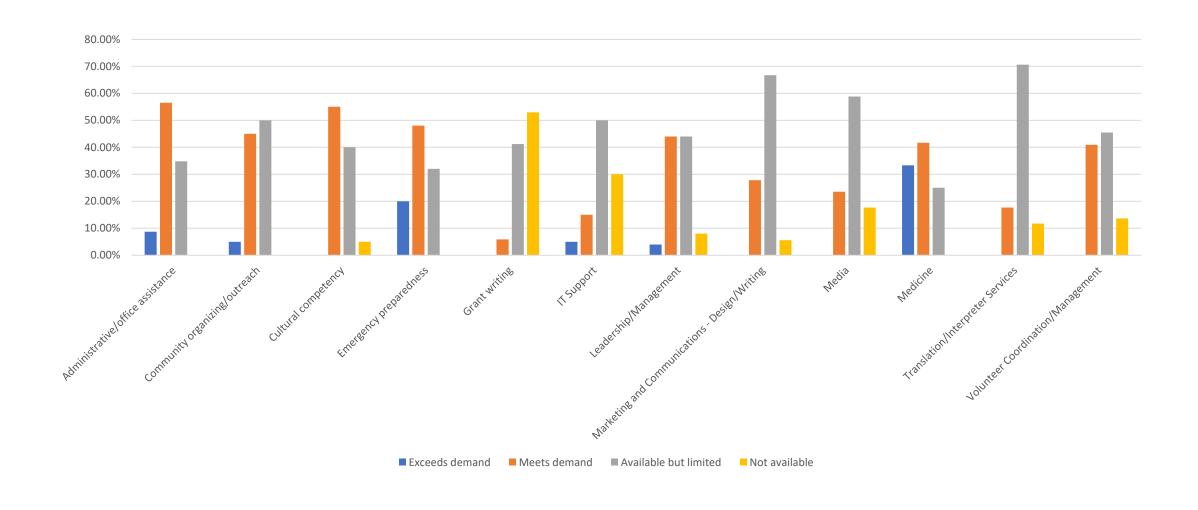
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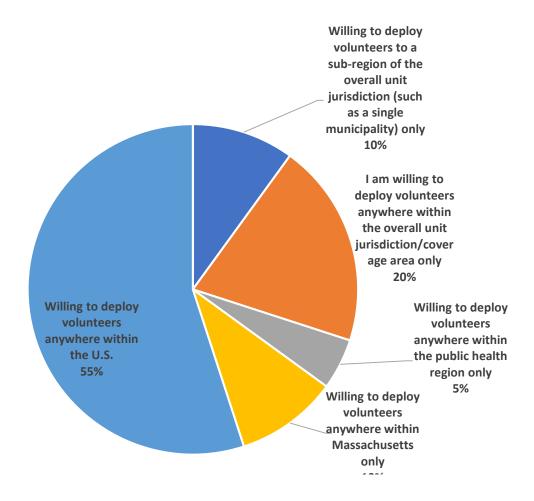
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Volunteer Skill Sets (Current- Unit Leaders)

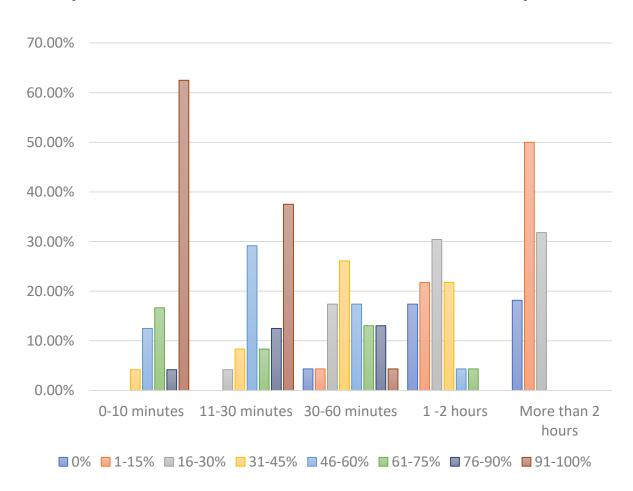


Deployment - Restrictions



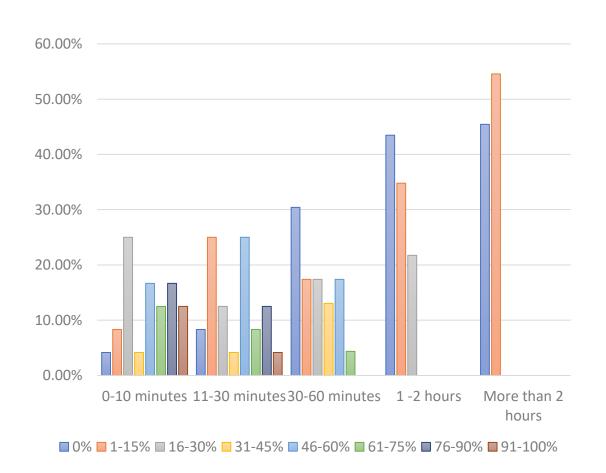
- 55% of unit leaders are willing to deploy anywhere in the U.S.
- 30% of unit leaders are willing to deploy volunteers only within the unit jurisdiction or a sub-region of the overall jurisdiction (such as a municipality)

Deployment – Driving Distance (Normal Conditions)



- Unit leaders believe over 90% of their volunteers will travel 0-10 minutes
- No unit leaders believe that more that 30% of their volunteers will travel over 2 hours
- Almost 20% of unit leaders believe none of their volunteers will travel more than 2 hours

Deployment – Driving Distance (Inclement Conditions)



- In inclement conditions, 45% of unit leaders believe none of their volunteers will travel two or more hours
- Over 40% of unit leaders believe none of their volunteers will travel 1-2 hours in inclement weather
- No unit leaders believe that more that 30% of their volunteers will travel 1-2 hours in inclement conditions

Timeline



December 2017

Collect feedback from Steering Committee on Workplan Finalize Workplan



March 2018

Open survey and collect responses



Summer 2018

Finalize final report, including summarizing results by region

Finalize online survey

January – February 2018

Provide preliminary results to DPH OPEM and MRC leaders

May 2018