

Position Description

CHAPLAIN

Indiana Family and Social Services Administration Division of Mental Health and Addictions Office of Addictions and Emergency Preparedness and Response

INTRODUCTION

This position is located in the Disaster Mental Health Response Team of the Indiana Task Force of the State of Indiana Family and Social Services Administration, Division of Mental Health and Addiction, Office of Emergency Preparedness and Response. Health care providers, clergy and medical support personnel are recruited from local communities (the ten Indiana Department of Homeland Security districts) to serve state and national needs in the event of disasters or other major emergencies requiring extraordinary medical and mental health services.

The incumbent of this position serves as team Chaplain and is responsible for pastoral services associated with disaster victims, their families, responders and team members.

MAJOR DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- Provide spiritual care/services and emotional support to the Indiana Task Force that is deployed to a disaster
- Provide spiritual care/services and emotional support to a variety of victims from different denominations and religions, including spiritual first aid, spiritual guidance psychological first aid, prayer, communion, worship.
- Follow the guiding principles of Disaster Chaplains
- Provide spiritual leadership for the Indiana Task Force
- Follow the Incident Command Structure
- Performs other related duties as may be required in the operation of the Disaster Mental Health Response Team and the Indiana Task Force

QUALIFICATIONS

- Completion of the application
- Graduation from a seminary with accredited or associate membership in the American Association of Theological Schools, preferred
- Clinical Pastoral Education, preferred
- Active participation in a faith community
- Letter of recommendation/endorsement from regional or national denomination, religious body/faith community or Bishop
- Be willing to participate in one of the ten State of Indiana disaster mental health response teams
- Allow a background check
- Participate in on going training
- Completion of the Psychological First Aid Class
- Completion of Spiritual First Aid Class
- Completion of National Incident Management System (NIMS) classes: NIMS 100, NIMS 200, and NIMS 700.