



# Public Health Message

## from the Fort Wayne-AlLEN County Department of Health

Date: March 2, 2010  
Topic: Disaster Volunteers

The Fort Wayne-AlLEN County Department of Health, Associated Churches, the Behavioral Health Response Team, the Community Emergency Response Team, the Fort Wayne Medical Society, Lutheran Hospital of Indiana, and Parkview Health have partnered to equip those volunteers for disaster and medical missions with the necessary information, vaccines and prescriptions to travel safely. With Haiti and now Chile, a lot of people will be volunteering.

On Saturday, March 13<sup>th</sup>, we will be providing a free seminar designed to prepare volunteers to better perform in the disaster environment, to minimize health threats through **free vaccination, education and provision of prescriptions**, and to better cope with emotional needs. The event is at the Public Safety Academy of Northeast Indiana, 7602 Patriot Crossing, in Fort Wayne. Registration will begin at 8:30 AM and the seminar will run until approximately 3 PM. Lunch will be provided.

We strongly encourage you and your fellow volunteers to make this clinic part of your pre-travel preparations.

### Agenda

8:30 -- 8:50	Registration (Alice):
8:50 -- 9:00	Welcome (Representative Souder) Opening Prayer (Pastor Reece)
9:00 -- 9:30	Introduction to Disasters (Peggy)
9:30 -- 10:00	Necessary Vaccines and Medications (Candy, Amy)
10:00 -- 10:30	Break for vaccinations and networking
10:30 -- 11:30	Airborne Diseases (TB, H1N1) Blood borne/injury related (HIV, Hep B, Tetanus) Water/foodborne (Hep A, parasites focusing on food/water safety) Vectorborne and animal related (malaria, dengue, rabies)
11:30 -- 12:00	General Safety Issues in a Disaster Environment (Tim Davie)
12:00 -- 12:15	Overview of Wheelchair Program and video (Dr Cook)
12:15 -- 12:45	Lunch and vaccinations
12:45 -- 1:00	Overview of Haiti Culture (Marc)
1:00 -- 2:00	Introduction to Incident Command: how to communicate during a disaster (Matt Brokaw)
2:00 -- 2:15	Break for vaccinations and networking
2:15 -- 3:00	Administering Psych First Aid (Patsy and Victor)
3:00 -- 3:15	Debriefing and Wrap-Up (Roger)

We strongly encourage you and your patients who may elect to volunteer to make this clinic part of your pre-travel preparations!!!! **Please RSVP by calling Alice at (260) 420-1011 by March 8<sup>th</sup> at noon.**

We look forward to seeing you there.

Questions, call Deb McMahan, MD