

## Displaying information for All Roles located in Northern Mariana Islands for All Scenarios

### Liability: Firefighter, Law Enforcement Officer, or EMT

7 CMC 2805

EMT, Firefighter, Law Enforcement

A firefighter, law enforcement officer, EMT, Advanced EMT, or paramedic who, in good faith, provides emergency medical care at the scene of an emergency will not be held legally responsible for acting or for failing to act. They can be held legally responsible if acting with extreme carelessness or intent to cause harm.

### Liability: Physician Giving Orders to EMT and EMT Following Orders

7 CMC 2804

Physician, EMT

A physician who, in good faith, gives emergency instructions to an EMT, Advanced EMT, or paramedic at the scene of an emergency will not be held legally responsible. An EMT, Advanced EMT, or paramedic who, in good faith and within their scope of practice, follows the physician's instructions will also not be held legally responsible. They can both be held legally responsible if acting with carelessness.

### Liability: Providing Pre-Hospital Emergency Field Care

7 CMC 2807

Other medical professional, Volunteer / Other, Nurse, Physician, EMT, Government Public Health, Firefighter, Law Enforcement, Veterinarian, Dentist, Pharmacist, Social Worker, Mental and Behavioral Health Professional

An individual, who holds a U.S. government-issued certificate or license to provide pre-hospital emergency field care treatment and who, in good faith, provides field care treatment at the scene of an emergency, will not be held legally responsible for acting or for failing to act. They can be held legally responsible if acting with extreme carelessness or intent to cause harm.

### Workers? Benefits: Disaster Service Volunteers Leave

1 CMC 8263

Other medical professional, Volunteer / Other, Nurse, Physician, EMT, Government Public Health, Firefighter, Law Enforcement, Veterinarian, Dentist, Pharmacist, Social Worker, Mental and Behavioral Health Professional

A state employee, who is a certified disaster service volunteer with the American Red Cross, can leave their job for up to 15 working days per year to participate in disaster relief services in the Northern Mariana Islands at the request of the American Red Cross. They will not lose seniority, vacation time, sick leave, earned overtime, compensatory time, or pay while participating in the disaster relief services. The employee is entitled to regular pay during the 15 days of absence.

**Liability: Emergency Rescue**

**Personnel**

7 CMC 2806

Other medical professional, Volunteer / Other, EMT, Government Public Health, Firefighter, Law Enforcement

Emergency rescue personnel who, in good faith, provide emergency rescue services within the scope of their official duties will not be held legally responsible. They can be held legally responsible if acting with extreme carelessness or intent to cause harm.

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**Liability: Hazardous Discharge**

3 CMC 5143

Other medical professional, Volunteer / Other, Nurse, Physician, EMT, Government Public Health, Firefighter, Law Enforcement, Veterinarian, Dentist, Pharmacist, Social Worker, Mental and Behavioral Health Professional

An individual who, under official orders, provides care, assistance, or advice in response to a discharge of oil or hazardous material will not be held legally responsible for acting or failing to act. They can be held legally responsible if they cause injury, cause death, or act with extreme carelessness or intent to cause harm. They can also be held legally responsible if they were responsible for the discharge.

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**Liability: Food Donation**

2 CMC 5501

Other medical professional, Volunteer / Other, Nurse, Physician, EMT, Government Public Health, Firefighter, Law Enforcement, Veterinarian, Dentist, Pharmacist, Social Worker, Mental and Behavioral Health Professional

An individual who donates food apparently fit for human consumption will not be held legally responsible for the condition of the food. They can be held legally responsible if acting with extreme carelessness or intent to cause harm.

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**Liability: Government Employee**

7 CMC 2211(b)

Other medical professional, Volunteer / Other, Nurse, Physician, EMT, Government Public Health, Firefighter, Law Enforcement, Veterinarian, Dentist, Pharmacist, Social Worker, Mental and Behavioral Health Professional

A government employee, who acts within the scope of their employment, will not be held legally responsible for causing injury, death, or damage. They can be held legally responsible if acting with carelessness.

### **Good Samaritan Law**

7 CMC 2803

Other medical professional, Volunteer / Other, Nurse, Physician, EMT, Government Public Health, Firefighter, Law Enforcement, Veterinarian, Dentist, Pharmacist, Social Worker, Mental and Behavioral Health Professional

An individual who, in good faith and without compensation, provides emergency care at the scene of an emergency will not be held legally responsible for acting or for failing to act. They can be held legally responsible if acting with extreme carelessness or intent to cause harm.

Generally, Good Samaritan laws only offer protection for those individuals who provide care during spontaneous emergencies unrelated to volunteer deployment.

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### **License Reciprocity: Engineer, Architect, Land Surveyor, or Landscape Architect**

NMIAC 125-20.1-110

Volunteer / Other

An individual who holds an active license to practice as an engineer, architect, land surveyor, landscape architect from a jurisdiction with licensure requirements similar to those under Northern Mariana Island law, can obtain a license to practice in the Northern Mariana Islands.

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### **License Reciprocity: Retired Volunteer Health Professional**

3 CMC 2236

Other medical professional, Nurse, Physician, Dentist, Pharmacist, Social Worker, Mental and Behavioral Health Professional

A retired health care professional, who holds or held an unrestricted license in good standing to practice in another jurisdiction and who is in good health, can obtain a Retired Senior Volunteer license to provide outpatient health care services in certain free clinics designated by the Health Care Professions Licensing Board.

A health care professional with a Retired Senior Volunteer license is expected to perform at least 100 hours of voluntary service per year.

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### **License Reciprocity: Temporary Dental License**

NMIAC 140-50.1-410(b)

Dentist

During a time of increased public need, an individual who is licensed to practice dentistry in another jurisdiction can obtain a temporary license to practice dentistry in the Northern Mariana Islands for up to 60 days.

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### **License Reciprocity: Temporary Permit for Dentist, Dental Hygienist, or Dental Nurse**

NMIAC 140-50.1-410(c)

Other medical professional, Nurse, Dentist

A dentist, dental hygienist, dental nurse, or other practitioner who is licensed in another jurisdiction, and whose services are requested by the government to assist a locally licensed dentist or physician can obtain a temporary permit to practice for up to three months in the Northern Mariana Islands.

**License Reciprocity: Temporary Physician License**

NMIAC 140-50.3-4211(a)(2)

Physician

When an emergency declaration is in effect, where there is a shortage of physicians, an out-of-state physician can obtain a temporary license to practice for up to 3 months.

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**Liability: Training Program**

7 CMC 2802

Volunteer / Other

An organization or governmental entity that sponsors, authorizes, supports, finances, or supervises the training, licensing, or certification of emergency medical personnel will not be held legally responsible as a result of such training programs.

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**Workers? Benefits: Disaster Volunteer Protections**

4 CMC 9701

Other medical professional, Volunteer / Other, Nurse, Physician, EMT, Government Public Health, Firefighter, Law Enforcement, Veterinarian, Dentist, Pharmacist, Social Worker, Mental and Behavioral Health Professional

An individual, who is a disaster volunteer with a volunteer emergency management agency, can respond to an emergency for up to 2 months without being fired from their place of employment because of such absence. An individual who sustains an injury serving as a disaster volunteer also will not be fired from their place of employment while they recuperate, for up to 12 months. An employer can request written verification of the disaster volunteer's status, and an employer can reduce the disaster volunteer's pay for any time they spent volunteering.

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**Relevant Compacts**