

Licensed Mental Health Professionals Sought For Disaster Relief Training

The Oklahoma Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services (ODMHSAS) is hosting trainings, for licensed mental health professionals interested in volunteering in the tornado disaster zone.

If you are a licensed mental health professional, a certified case manager, or a certified recovery support specialist and would like to assist, please attend any of the following trainings:

Tuesday May 28, 2013 9:00 AM

Tuesday May 28, 2013 1:00 PM

Be sure to bring identity verification, including certification and license number. Credentials will be verified. All of these trainings will be held at the ODMHSAS administrative offices (1200 N.E. 13th Street). The Red Cross will be assisting with this training. Reservations to participate are not required. Additional training events will be announced as needed.

ODMHSAS has opened an emergency response center within the disaster zone. Located at the Cleveland County Health Department, 424 S. Eastern Ave. in Moore, the center is providing walk-in services and coordinating response teams to be deployed throughout the impacted area.

To be admitted into the disaster zone, volunteers must have received training and hold a valid identification badge, which will be issued by the department. The training will include a refresher on psychological first aid, special response protocols, and an overview of the planned mental health response. Licensing credentials will be verified.

For updates regarding future trainings, or to access a list of frequently asked questions, go to the department website at www.odmhsas.org and click on the "Notices" banner at the top of the page.

Training announcements are also posted on the OKStrong.OK.gov web site.