



# CERT ALERT



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## Volunteering at the POD

On Saturday, June 20, Tarrant County Public Health held a Medical Reserve Corps point-of-dispensing (POD) exercise at Pennington Field in Bedford. This exercise simulated an event in which medication would be dispensed by administering injections of Hepatitis-A vaccine to citizens of Hurst-Euless-Bedford. Several CERT members volunteered by helping with preliminary set-up on Friday, June 19, and by staffing the stations throughout the morning of the exercise. If you would like to get involved with the Medical Reserve Corps, please see the web site [www.bealocalhero.org/tarrantcounty](http://www.bealocalhero.org/tarrantcounty).

## Emergency Operations Center Opportunity

Emergency Management has developed the Emergency Operations Center (EOC) Call Taker program to train volunteers to take low-priority calls to help relieve emergency communications dispatchers during and after a disaster event. Criteria are the ability to use the telephone (training will be provided), a clear and calming voice, and ability to type and use a computer. The volunteer could be city staff or a trained volunteer (such as a CERT member) and must pass a background check (previous background check for CERT is acceptable). Information and training will be provided at a class on **Tuesday, June 30 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.** at the EOC, 2000 Forest Ridge Drive. For more information, please contact Emergency Management Coordinator Rick Nash at [rick.nash@ci.bedford.tx.us](mailto:rick.nash@ci.bedford.tx.us).

## Coming This Fall: Class #10

Please recruit for Class #10 by letting family and friends know how much you have learned from the CERT program. Applications may be found at the web page <http://www.ci.bedford.tx.us/council/boards/cert.htm>.

## Calendar

**Saturday, June 27:** Bedford Amateur Radio Club will be involved in the Amateur Radio Relay League Field Day at the Bedford Boys Ranch. See radio equipment and displays and learn about amateur radio. More information is at <http://www.bedfordarc.org/>.

**Saturday, July 4: Bedford 4thFEST** is at the Bedford Boys Ranch Park. If you would like to help staff the CERT booth, please e-mail [bedfordtxccc@yahoo.com](mailto:bedfordtxccc@yahoo.com). 4thFEST is an excellent recruiting opportunity for CERT.

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