

## MEDICAL OFFICER

<b>RESOURCE CATEGORY</b>	Medical and Public Health
<b>RESOURCE KIND</b>	Personnel
<b>OVERALL FUNCTION</b>	The Medical Officer is a practitioner licensed to diagnose and treat a range of health problems
<b>COMPOSITION AND ORDERING SPECIFICATIONS</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. This position can be ordered as a single resource or in conjunction with a NIMS typed team (Emergency Care Task Force, Behavioral Health Community Services Team).</li> <li>2. Discuss logistics for deploying this position, such as security, lodging, transportation, and meals, prior to deployment</li> <li>3. This position typically works 12 hours per shift, is self-sustainable for 72 hours, and is deployable for up to 14 days</li> </ol>

Each type of resource builds on the qualifications of the type below it. For example, Type 1 qualifications include the qualifications in Type 2, plus an increase in capability. Type 1 is the highest qualification level.

COMPONENT	TYPE 1	TYPE 2	TYPE 3	NOTES
<b>DESCRIPTION</b>	Same as Type 2, PLUS: The NIMS Type 1 Medical Officer is a board-certified medical or surgical specialist and has specialized training to treat and manage specific injuries, illnesses, and exposures for patients of all ages in a variety of clinical settings, including those with special needs and special patient populations	Same as Type 3, PLUS: The National Incident Management System (NIMS) Type 2 Medical Officer is a physician and has primary responsibility and authority over all aspects of patient care through the study, diagnosis, and treatment of diseases, injury, and other physical and mental conditions	The National Incident Management System (NIMS) Type 3 Medical Officer is a physician assistant or nurse practitioner licensed to diagnose and treat a range of health problems and: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Works either independently or in collaboration with a physician or other licensed independent practitioners</li> <li>2. Promotes health, disease prevention, and comprehensive health care</li> <li>3. Provides clinical assessment and treatment</li> <li>4. Prescribes medications and other therapeutic interventions</li> <li>5. Orders, performs, and interprets diagnostic tests</li> </ol>	Not Specified
<b>EDUCATION</b>	Same as Type 2, PLUS: Completion of post-graduate education in health/medical or surgical residency	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Graduate of an accredited medical or osteopathic school</li> <li>2. Completion of an accredited residency program or post-graduate year three and above</li> </ol>	Graduate of an accredited nurse practitioner program or physician assistant program	Not Specified

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COMPONENT	TYPE 1	TYPE 2	TYPE 3	NOTES
<b>TRAINING</b>	Same as Type 2	Same as Type 3	Completion of the following: 1. IS-100: Introduction to the Incident Command System, ICS-100 2. IS-200: Incident Command System for Single Resources and Initial Action Incidents 3. IS-700: National Incident Management System, An Introduction 4. IS-800: National Response Framework, An Introduction 5. Training in accordance with Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) 29 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 1910.120: Hazardous Materials Awareness 6. Training in accordance with OSHA 29 CFR Part 1910.134: Respiratory Protection 7. Training in accordance with OSHA 29 CFR Part 1910.1030: Bloodborne Pathogens	Not Specified
<b>EXPERIENCE</b>	Same as Type 2, PLUS: Three additional years of experience in a clinical practice setting such as a hospital, health system, agency, or service commensurate with the mission assignment	Same as Type 3	Two years of experience in a clinical practice setting such as a hospital, health system, agency, or service commensurate with the mission assignment	Not Specified
<b>PHYSICAL/MEDICAL FITNESS</b>	Same as Type 2	Same as Type 3	1. Performs duties under moderate circumstances characterized by working consecutive 12-hour days under physical and emotional stress for sustained periods of time 2. Is able to work while wearing appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE) 3. Maintains immunizations in accordance with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's immunization recommendations for emergency responders	PPE is mission-specific and may vary by working environment, including protective footwear, protective clothing for skin exposures, eye and hearing protection, respirators, gloves, and masks.

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<b>CURRENCY</b>	Same as Type 2	Same as Type 3	1. Functions in this position during an operational incident, exercise, drill, or simulation at least once every two years 2. Currently practices in a healthcare setting, such as a hospital, health system, agency, or service commensurate with the mission assignment 3. Immunizations up-to-date and commensurate with mission assignment 4. Background checks as applicable law permits or requires	Provider must carry out and use any background checks as applicable law specifies. This may include a background check completed within past 12 months; sex-offender registry check; and a local, state, and a local, state, and national criminal history.
<b>PROFESSIONAL AND TECHNICAL LICENSES AND CERTIFICATIONS</b>	Same as Type 2, PLUS: Board certification in health/medical or surgical specialty	1. State, the District of Columbia, or US territory-granted active status of legal authority to function as an allopathic or osteopathic physician without restrictions  2. Current Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA) registration as this position may prescribe or administer medications commensurate with the mission assignment	1. State, the District of Columbia, or US territory-granted active status of legal authority to function as a physician assistant or nurse practitioner without restrictions 2. Current Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA) registration, if the state of primary registration grants prescriptive privileges 3. Active National Commission on Certification of Physician Assistants (NCCPA) certification (physician assistant only)	Not Specified

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## NOTES

Nationally typed resources represent the minimum criteria for the associated category.

## REFERENCES

1. FEMA, NIMS 508: Emergency Care Task Force
2. FEMA, NIMS 508: Behavioral Health Community Services Team
3. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Immunization Recommendations for Disaster Responders
4. National Wildfire Coordinating Group (NWCG), National Incident Management System Wildland Fire Qualification System Guide, PMS 310-1, Physical Fitness Levels, October 2016
5. Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) 29 Code of Federal Regulation (CFR) Part 1910.120: Hazardous Materials Awareness, latest edition adopted
6. OSHA 29 CFR Part 1910.134: Respiratory Protection, latest edition adopted
7. OSHA 29 CFR Part 1910.1030: Bloodborne Pathogens, latest edition adopted

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