

## Voluntary Sector Roles and Functions in Health Emergencies

This chart is a tool organizations can use to map out potential roles they can play in a health emergency. Locate the category which best describes your organizations activities, then find the emergency activities which your organization has the capacity to perform. The special capacity function refers to the unique services your organization can provide.

VOLUNTARY ORGANIZATIONS BY MANDATE	VOLUNTEER MOBILIZATION & MGMT	DISSEMINATION OF PUBLIC HEALTH INFO	FIRST AID & INF CONTROL	EMOTIONAL CARE & SUPPORT	SHELTERS & N-T WORKSITES	LOGISTICS	SPECIAL CAPACITIES
<b>Culture and recreation</b>							
Media and communications							
Visual arts, architecture, ceramic art							
Performing arts							
Historical, literary and humanistic societies							
Museums							
Zoos and aquariums							
Sports							
Recreation and social clubs							
Service clubs							
<b>Health*</b>							
Mental health treatment							
Crisis intervention							
Public health and wellness education							
Health treatment, primarily outpatient							
Rehabilitative medical services							
<b>Social services</b>							
Child welfare, child services and day care							
Youth services and youth welfare							
Family services							
Services for the handicapped							
Services for the elderly							
Self-help and other personal social services							
<b>Disaster/emergency prevention and control</b>							
Temporary shelters							
Refugee assistance							
Income support and maintenance							
Material assistance							
<b>Environment</b>							
Pollution abatement and control							
Natural resources conservation and protection							
Environmental beautification and open spaces							
Animal protection and welfare							
Wildlife preservation and protection							
Veterinary services							

\* (Quasi-government institutions beyond the scope not listed here)  
 NB: (ICNPO: See <http://www.statcan.ca/english/freepub/13-015-XIE/2004000/icnpo.htm> for more detail)

