



Functional Assessment Service Team (FAST) Member Recruitment

The Wisconsin Department of Health Services, building on programs developed in Milwaukee and Waukesha Counties, is leading a statewide initiative to identify, recruit, and train state, regional, and local Functional Assessment Service Teams (FAST) in support of local and tribal government in sheltering people who have been displaced from their homes during a disaster. DHS partners in the initiative are:

American Red Cross: Badger & Southeast WI Chapters	Milwaukee County Emergency Management
Department of Health Services:	Waukesha Health & Human Services Department
Division of Long-Term Care	Western Wisconsin Public Health Consortium
Division of Mental Health & Substance Abuse Services	Wisconsin Emergency Management
Division of Public Health	Wisconsin Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster

We invite you to become a member of FAST.

In any type of emergency or location, a FAST is a state, regional, or local team of 2-8 trained members that will assess people who have been displaced from their homes. A FAST:

- Evaluates the needs that people may have in a reception center/shelter and determines whether they can be supported within the facility.
- Works with available resources from that community.
- Helps shelter staff distinguish people who have access and functional needs from those who have medical needs.
- Will be deployed when requested by a local or state request.

The team will have the skills and knowledge to address the full range of needs. The needs include communication, transportation, health and behavioral health, maintaining independence and safety with assistance during and following a disaster.

Please share this information on FAST and support your staff in meeting this critical need.

For more information, call local FAST lead contact: _____

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