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Thank you for your note. If you are responding to our request for volunteers to staff a medical support team for hurricane relief, thank you very much for responding. The response has been overwhelming. We have received approximately 500 responses in less than 48 hours, and more are coming in every hour. Here is our current status. Tomorrow, September 3, the Indiana Department of Homeland Security is deploying a multiple-agency task force. The group, more than 185 strong, will deploy to DeSoto County, Mississippi, for a 14-day tour. We were asked to pull together a 25-person medical/public health team to be a part of this task force. That group has been compiled and will deploy tomorrow. In the next week we will be identifying successive waves of medical/public health personnel that can deploy to provide relief for this group in 14 -day deployments. Thank you again for your response, and for your patience, as we staff this national tragedy.