Texas Emergency Medical Task Force
Component Overview

RNST
[Nurse Strike Team]

MISSION
- To provide surge nursing staff for an Emergency Department or specialty area [ICU, burn unit, etc.] nursing staff, to a disaster inundated or impacted

CAPABILITIES
- Rapidly deployable, [24/7] statewide response asset
- A strike team is composed of [5] registered nurses able to augment a requesting facility’s staffing with credentialed nursing staff.
  [Requested RNST will adhere to requesting facility’s disaster credentialing processes & policies]
- Over 175 Hospitals & Healthcare Systems provide the deployable team members who are actively practicing clinicians.
- RNSTs are rostered in all [8] TX EMTF Regions.

TYPING/STAFFING
- A strike team is staffed with 5 registered nurses of the same specialty with one team member designated as the Strike Team Leader.
- RNSTs are comprised of team members that are actively practicing in the team’s designated clinical setting.
  - Current RNSTs include the following specialties:
    - Emergency Department
    - Internal Medicine/Surgical
    - Pediatrics
    - Labor & Delivery
    - Intensive Care Unit
    - Neonatal Intensive Care Unit
    - Burn Unit

Personnel / Asset Counts
- [5] Personnel
  - [5] Nurses
  - [1] Designated as a Strike Team Leader
- [3] Vehicles