

FOREWORD

This is the third in a series of manuals which outlines the recommended organization, operation and administration of emergency medical units for use in a major disaster situation. The Advanced Treatment Centre, the Emergency Hospital and the Emergency Clinic are designed to supplement and expand the casualty-care service normally provided by existing hospitals when the number of casualties exceeds the available treatment resources. The employment of these units within the frame-work of the provincial and zonal emergency health plan is the most efficient method for the mobilization of all available health workers to support the stricken community.

Other manuals in this series are:

Casualty Care in Major Disaster

The Advanced Treatment Centre – Operating Manual

Emergency Clinic Operating Manual

Emergency Blood Services.

This manual has been prepared to guide provincial and municipal Emergency Health Services in the organization, administration, and operation of an Emergency Hospital and to provide guidance in the training of personnel. Supplementary manuals are in preparation which will give more detailed information on the technical aspects of the various functional areas of the Emergency Hospital.

The following manuals will assist communities in planning the expansion of casualty care services and in the provision of continuing medical care for the sick under peacetime or wartime conditions.


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NATO Handbook on Emergency War Surgery – Second Edition

Advanced Treatment Centre Technical Guide for Health Supplies Officers

Casualties from Nuclear Weapons

Radiation Protection in Emergency Health Services Units.


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