Information Sheet

Portability of Training Qualifications for Emergency Management Volunteers Project

Thank you for your interest in participating in the Portability and Training Qualifications for Emergency Management Volunteers research project. This research is being conducted by the Australian Red Cross Society on behalf of the Australian Emergency Management Volunteer Forum. The research is funded by the National Emergency Management Projects (NEMP) Program and the research findings will be published by the Attorney General's Department in mid 2014.

This project is designed to examine barriers to portability of qualifications in the emergency management volunteer context (including training and assessment, methodologies and practice) and to identify how a more consistent and recognisable approach to RCC and RPL can be achieved. The project will involve consultations with emergency management volunteers and registered training organisation (RTO) peak bodies within the emergency management volunteer sector across Australia to investigate:

- the need and viability of consolidating and transferring training qualifications, across States/territories and emergency management agencies;
- the current training landscape for emergency management volunteer qualifications; and
- a proposed definition of 'supervision' in the emergency management volunteer context.

The project will involve conducting online surveys with emergency management volunteers and RTOs within the emergency management sector.

Surveys will take approximately 20 to 30 minutes to complete. Survey responses will remain anonymous and any personal details that are provided during the course of participation in the project will remain confidential.

Participation in this project is voluntary and participants have the right to withdraw their consent at any time. Any specific questions about the project should be directed to the principal researcher, at the contact details below.

If you agree to take part in this research, please click on the following survey link that will take you to the online survey. The survey will remain open until **Sunday 9 February 2014.** After this time, the survey will be closed for responses and data analysis will commence.

Survey Link - https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/H6KNCFF

Thank you again for your interest and cooperation.

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