



Lunch & Learn: THQ Emotional & Spiritual Care Team



Emotional & Spiritual Care

In Service For More Than 100 Years ...



"What happened to the cow that was lifted into the air by the tornado? Udder disaster!"



Core Disaster Relief Services



“A truck full of hair restoring tonic overturned and flooded the street. Police are combing the area!”

Emotional & Spiritual Care Specialists

ESC Specialists are tasked with being present, offering a listening ear, words of hope and encouragement, and practical assistance to disaster survivors, first responders, and Salvation Army disaster workers.

They may be assigned to a canteen, a distribution site, a resource center, or other designated location.



“Floridians never play Where’s Waldo. They play Where’s Jim Cantore!”



Getting Started: Registration & Training



- Obtain supervisor's permission and complete registration form by March 13.
- Take Intro to EDS (online/classroom), ESC Specialist (classroom), and Safe From Harm (online).
- Complete other EDS credentialling requirements (background check) and get your official EDS badge!
- Take future training to grow your skills (optional)!



"Why was the snowman rummaging through the bag of carrots? He was picking his nose!"



Deployments

- 7 to 14 days (depending on the disaster)
- May involve hardship conditions.
- Team members will work under the direction of a Salvation Army Incident Management Team
- May work on canteens, in warehouses, or at service sites.
- Work can be physically demanding and involve long hours.



“If a hurricane is coming, try convincing it to do the hokey pokey. Then maybe it will turn itself around!”

The Deployment Process



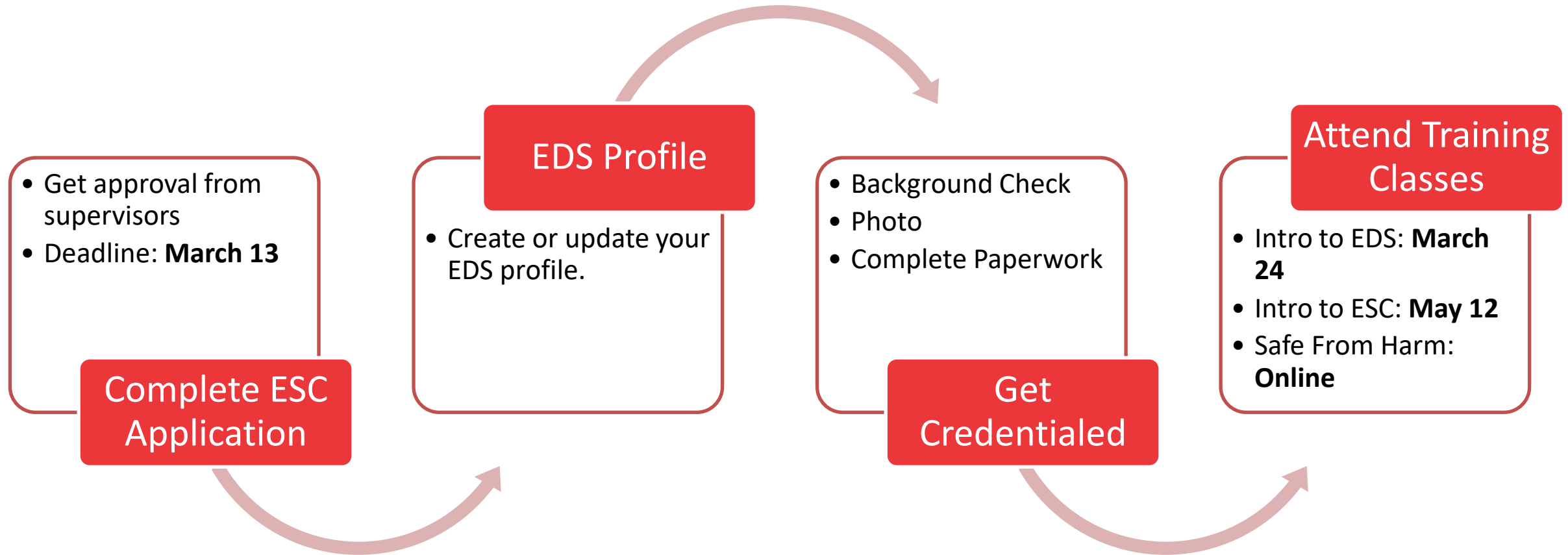
- THQ CRD EDS would advise team members of the possibility of deployment.
- ESC team members would consult with their supervisors regarding deployment availability and permission.
- Once approved, THQ EDS will schedule your deployment and arrange all travel.
- Deployment details will be emailed to you in a deployment brief.
- Deployments would range from 7 or 14 days (as supervisors and work schedule allows).



“Did you hear the weather forecast for the hiphop festival? They're calling for a Lil Wayne.”



Next Steps



“What is Santa’s favorite weather? It’s rain, dear!”



**“Bad things do happen
in the world, like war,
natural disasters,
disease.**

**But out of those
situations always arise
stories of **ordinary**
people doing
extraordinary things.”**

- Daryn Kagan

