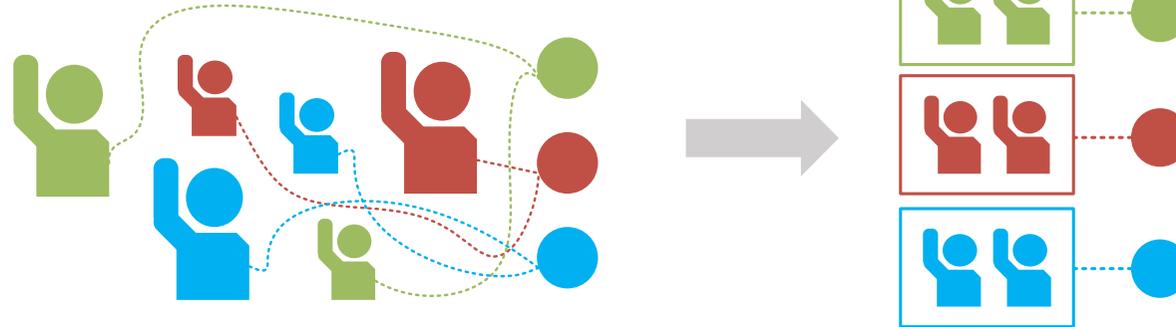


# New Zealand Response Team (NZRT) Project

## What are we doing?

As part of the Emergency Management System Reform, the Government has committed to building a **robust and sustainable volunteer capability and capacity for emergency management in New Zealand**, by ensuring a consistently high standard of volunteer competence, and ensuring that the community is at the heart of the emergency management system.



## Why are we doing it?

Volunteer response teams have been an important part of New Zealand's Civil Defence Emergency Management structure for over 30 years. **There is variability and uncertainty in how teams are owned, managed, coordinated, and used.** Teams are not being used effectively in some regions because current capabilities are not appropriate, consistent, understood, or recognised.

## How are we doing it?

Establishing a **national system to provide standardisation, coordination, and oversight of volunteer response teams** working in the Emergency Management sector, and establishing a basis for leading and stewarding the system into the future.

## Phases



12 months