



MINUTES

EMS Operations Committee

Date | time 1/23/2017 9:00 AM | Meeting called to order by Phil Ward

In Attendance

(CC) = via conference call

Leon Adamski, Killeen FD	Anthony Beavers, S&W EMS	Justin Bright, Air Evac 66
Glenn Gallenstein, HHFD (CC)	Wesley Gilbreath, Belton FD	Elizabeth Hicks, Acadian
Kimberly Knapek, Thorndale EMS	Thomas Pechal, TFD (CC)	Fred Reed, CRDAMC EMS
Phil Ward, PHI/Moffatt VFD	Cody Winniford, S&W EMS	Charles Young, Holland/LR/Bartlett (CC)
Gary Young, CCFD (CC)		

Guests: None

CTRAC Staff: Jennifer Henager

Call to Order and Introductions

Phil Ward called the meeting to order at 09:00 am and began introductions.

Approval of Minutes

Motion to approve the October 2016 minutes made by Fred Reed, seconded by Glenn Gallenstein. Motion carried.

Update from State Meetings

State meeting notes from November were distributed to General Assembly. Next GETAC meetings are February 22nd – 24th.

Old Business

- A. EMS/County Grant: Jennifer Henager reminded the group that the deadline to request reimbursement for this year's grant money is July 14th and the regional project deadline is May 26th.
- B. SMART Triage Tags: The tags ordered with last year's grant dollars are available and some have been distributed. Jennifer will work with the remaining agencies to assure receipt.
- C. EMS Rule: Jennifer sent a notice when the new rule posted. If anyone has questions or is unsure where to locate the new rule, please contact Jennifer.
- D. Committee Goals:
 - a. Triage Tuesdays: Jennifer reported that a goal date of May 1st for the first test has been set. The next planning conference call has also been scheduled for February 8th as a conference call.

New Business

- A. EMS Delays (supervisor calls?): A question was proposed "Can hospitals communicate through Bell County Communications Center for long wait times?" If so, then who would be responsible from the

hospital to call the Communications Center? Jennifer will take this to the Hospital Care Committee for discussion.

- B. Education: Phile Ward discussed the desire for offering education to first responder level agencies at non-Bell County locations. There were multiple agencies present during that meeting that voiced a willingness to provide instructors. Motion to create an education workgroup made by Fred Reed, seconded by Justin Bright. Motion carried. The group also discussed potentially utilize RAC funding for books, supplies, cards, etc. Jennifer will set up a conference call to work on goals.
- C. Pre-Designated LZs: The Medical Advisory Board pushed down to EMSOC to objective to identify pre-designated LZs through the RAC region. Coryell County has quite a few already identified. Phil will work on pushing out the request to Fire Chiefs to help identify LZ in each Chiefs individual area. Bell County cities more than likely only going to utilize for mascal situation. The initiative will probably be most beneficial for outer counties. All agencies look to at areas for LZs within coverage areas. Jennifer will gather information to keep a master copy in the CTRAC office.
- D. Meeting Frequency: Motion to move meeting frequency to bi-monthly made by Fred Reed, seconded by Elizabeth Hicks. Motion carried.

Special Populations

Elizabeth Hicks reported that the Mental Health Task Force met last week. Open another free clinic in Killeen to diagnose and provide medication to clients. Ebony and the Sheriff's Office are working together to help people process through the 1115 waiver program to help keep individuals out of hospitals and jail.

Aero Medical

No report.

EMTF

There were a total of 80 individuals went through the January 19, 20, & 21 trainings out of which were 2 new physicians and a couple of residents. While the folks were rotating through the trainings, the medical supply stock was assessed and determined that a large portion if not all is out of stock. This will be a main focus for the group moving forward on how to address immediately and assure long term of not repeating.

Upcoming training and events

- May 10 Ft. Hood Full Scale Exercise
- Flight Bridge class in June

Other Announcements, General Discussion, etc.

- GETAC is February 22nd – 24th in Austin.

Next Meeting

3/27/2017 9:00 AM, CTCOG Conference Room A1

Meeting adjourned without incident.