



MINUTES

EMS Operations Committee

Date | time 9/25/2017 9:00 AM | Meeting called to order by Justin Bright

In Attendance

(CC) = via conference call

Justin Bright, Air Evac 66	Ken Davis, Trans Aero MedEvac	Kendra Drake, S&WMC
Glenn Gallenstein, HHFD (CC)	Wesley Gilbreath, BFD	Elizabeth Hicks, Acadian
Jeffrey Mincy, CMEMS (CC)	Fred Reed, CRDAMC EMS	James Chambers, KFD
James Thompson, Hamilton EMS	Cody Winniford, S&W EMS	Charles Young, Holland/LR/Bartlett

Guests: None

CTRAC Staff: Jennifer Henager

Call to Order and Introductions

Justin Bright called the meeting to order at 09:03 am and began introductions.

Approval of Minutes

Minutes were unavailable for review.

Update from State Meetings

The EMS Committee is working on a contract with an outside provider for a drug and alcohol program for EMS personnel to mirror other professional programs.

Old Business

- A. EMS/County Grant
 1. Remaining Funds: All funds from the last grant were expended and all items have come in.
 2. Regional Project: Jennifer is going to start working on a policy and checklist for the SimMan. She will try to have a draft by the next meeting for committee review and discussion. The goal is to have the SimMan out with agencies in January.
- B. Triage System Workgroup Update: The next Triage Test Day is scheduled for November 1st.
- C. Education Workgroup Update: There is an EMS Education Day scheduled for 12/2 in Milam County. Jennifer is still working on securing a location but will start putting together a list of speakers, agenda, flyer, etc. once the location has been identified.
- D. Pre-Designated LZs Update: Justin is reaching out to several agencies to complete the Bell County map.
- E. Car Seat Request from McLane Children's: Old agenda item.

New Business

- A. Community Paramedic Programs – S&W and Coryell: Jeff Mincy reported that there has been very limited utilization of the Coryell program. There are difficulties with getting budget approval. Cody shared that the

S&W program has saved the hospital approximately \$454,000 since April by preventing readmissions with CHF patients. The S&W program is also looking to expand to include all payer forms and cover all patient needs. Jeff discussed that it is highly beneficial to gather data to show the value of the program but legislation is still needed to change the way EMS is paid from response to transport.

Special Populations

Dell Seton is now taking less than 40 burns and specialty burns.

Aero Medical

AirEvac's fleet is moving to all low skip and roller ball stretchers.

EMTF

No report.

Upcoming training and events

- GETAC: November 18-20
- AMTC for difficult airways course available during pre-EMS Conference
- EMS Conference: November 19-22

Other Announcements, General Discussion, etc.

No report.

Next Meeting

11/13/2017 9:00 AM, CTCOG Conference Room A1.

Meeting adjourned without incident.