***Maryland Region III Health and Medical Coalition Minutes***

***September 10, 2018 (10 AM to 12 PM)***

1. Introductions: The following individuals were in attendance:

Cindy Anderson (MedStar VNA), Shane Anderson (UMMC), Giselle Bonilla (Howard Co Health), Jimmy Brothers (Howard Co EMS), Erin Brown (UCH), Tom Converse (Clifton T. Perkins Hospital Center ), Deb Curro (Anne Arundel Co Health), Todd Dousa (Bayview), Corinne Edds (MDH OP&R), Kim Eshleman (Baltimore City Health), Mark Fox (MOEM), Loreal Froat (MedStar Franklin Square), Josh Fuss (Carroll County Health), Meg hardy (Baltimore City MOEM), Chris Hiles (MOEM), Martha Hill (Sinai), Mark Hubbard (UAWG), Christina Hughes (MedStar Franklin Square), Dawn Ivancik (VA), Deb Macy (Baltimore FBI), Bob Maloney (Johns Hopkins Hospital), Gene Mellin (Howard Co General Hospital), Sako Narita (Baltimore City Health), Andrew Naumann (MIEMSS), Mike O’Connell (MIEMSS), Penny Pearce (Hopkins), Jocelyn Pope (Bon Secours), Craig Savageau (UMMC/Midtown), Debbie Saylor (Anne Arundel Co Health, Amy Scaggs (Howard Co Health), Patty Sherman (AAMC), Chris Simon (Independent Dialysis Foundation ), Brittany Spies (MIEMSS), Dimitris Stamidis (Mercy), Mona Steele (BWMC), Lisa Swank (Harford Co Health), Kerry Topovski (AA Co OEM), Rob Vaccaro (Anne Arundel Co Fire), Yvette Valiente (Roland Park Place), Cheryl Webb (Carroll Co Health), Curtis Wiggins (Carroll EMS)

1. Membership: Introductions were made and the roster was circulated. Please send roster changes to C. Hughes and L. Froat.

1. Review of Minutes: C. Hughes welcomed everyone and the July minutes were approved as submitted.
2. Prophylactic Medication

* First Responder Prophy – D. Curro – K. Eshleman forwarded an FDA memo surrounding the extension of certain prophy medication for non-governmental agencies. D. Curro reported that the region’s cache is too old to be included in this extension.
  + Anthrax Preparedness Act – D. Curro new POC identified for this program. A grant funded DHS project is piloting a new program. Possible ability to request to be part of the pilot program. D. Curro will forward program information to MIEMSS and MDH to gauge interest.
  + Brief discussion about threats – A. Cardella will ask FBI WMD folks if they would come and present.

1. WebEOC – C. Hughes
   * Exercise – J. Huggins to follow up with the next WebEOC exercise date as well as current user list.
2. Training and Exercises
   * UASI Committee Training & Exercise Plan – M. Hubbard – Meeting still postponed. Awaiting new subcommittee chair.
     + JCTAWS Follow-up – C. Hughes – still following up on a few items, and work group will meet again in November. M. Hubbard to put on UASI agenda for progress update of all AAR items and coordination of next steps.
     + CCTA – Some regional representation at the August 1st 8am-12:30pm in Annapolis; however more representation is needed. FX O’Connell to attend a CCTA 2 day course in Ocean City. Awaiting information on next steps from MEMA. M. Hubbard will inquire.
   * Statewide IMT – J. Huggins – no updates, still trying to schedule interviews on original applicants
   * Regional Exercise (Surge) Recap – B. Maloney – B. Maloney no updates. Goal is to have draft complete by end of September.
   * MCAC follow-up– A. Cardella – Possible weapons of mass destruction presentation in October. A. Cardella relayed the following updates. At this time, no direct threats to Maryland.
     + Ibrahim al-Asiri, a prominent bomb maker for al-Qa’ida in the Arabian Peninsula (AQAP) may have been killed in a drone attack in 2017
     + No increase in threat reporting associated with the 9/11 Anniversary
     + Next available Fusion Liaison Officer Session will likely be in November. September course full.
     + If you’re not receiving emails from Alex, please contact him
   * FEMA National Exercise Division – M. Hill – No updates. They are willing to assist with our exercises as requested.
   * NDMS Exercise Planning – FX O’Connell – NDMS planning for a 2019 FSE is underway. Looking at Sep 14th or Sep 21st as possible dates. Planning includes a workshop for hospitals.
3. Ongoing Projects

* Strategic Plan for Coalition – C. Hughes – Beginning July 2019, the coordinator positions will be managed by a different vendor. RFP for new vendor to be released in the coming weeks.
* Resource Management Plan – J. Fuss – will be starting in September – if you have any changes please let C. Hughes and J. Fuss know.
* AOSR Project– C. Hughes – Development team reviewing all content to validate information is still current then will coordinate next steps with MHA/MDH.

1. BP5 HPP Activities – C. Hughes
   * Ebola/HID Grant Regional Funding
     + Training Request – Regional Needs follow up – A. Boatema – C. Edds no updates. OP&R is moving forward to get a training program in place. P. Sherman reported that sustainability planning meetings will start in November.
     + EID no-notice drills – C. Edds – Planning for a FSE in 2019. Another no notice drill is also anticipated for early 2019. No updates on AAR status.
   * Status of Projects
     + Website – L. Froat – A few updates have been made. Contact L. Froat with any website access issues. Link to Coalition website: <https://www.mdregion3hmc.org/> .
     + HAM Radio Project/DVD – T. Jeffers – No updates. Waiting to hear back from Union Memorial, GBMC, St. Agnes, Mercy, and Hopkins to pick up their kits
2. BP1-Supp Application – C. Hughes – The additional 84k was included in the PPE project. The application was approved. Awaiting award letter.
   * Healthcare Coalition Conference – We are able to send 4 representatives to this year’s conference. Contact Christina with serious intent to go by COB September 14, 2018.
3. BP1 HPP Projects – K. Long
   * Project Workgroups – K. Long
     + Vulnerable populations – A draft plan was sent to the group for review. Please check email.
     + HVA –have a final draft for BP1701. Possible presentation/discussion in October. Work will need to continue to complete new grant year requirements.
     + Med Surge/CSOC Implementation Plan – Plan is complete. Short presentation planned for October meeting.
   * Active Assailant Kit Request – vendor delivered kits in August. Any issues contact C. Hughes or P. Pearce. E. Johnson volunteered to facilitate requests for BP1-Supp project.
   * Radiation Portals – delivery pending of 4 portals to Harford County hazmat team. L. Swank will inquire.
   * Remaining funds – C. Edds – C. Edds confirmed the $88,000 for carryover is accounted for in BP1-Supp application.
   * Ventilator Maintenance – C. Hughes – vendor maintenance complete.
     + Expired Oxygen Tubing –Kathleen queried needs for the Vortran tubing. No updates.
4. Health and Medical UASI Projects – Committee Updates
   * Ambo Buses – J. Brothers/R. Vaccaro – training still ongoing as well as opportunities to dispatch for events.
   * Patient Tracking – J. Huggins – A. Naumann reported on a grant received to integrate eMEDS to CRISP. The bridge is complete. Planned Oct 1, 2018 mass integration of eMEDS to eMEDS Elite for integration to CRISP to be fully active. Also working with Maryland DHS to ensure their patient tracking system is able to see the data. Will still be up to 24 delay in patient information. Triage tags are still best option for real time information. Possible future integration with CAD to help with real time information. EPTS equipment disposition guidance is forthcoming.
   * CRISP Access – C. Hughes – still moving forward by end of year.
   * Alternate Care Site Cache – J. Fuss/D. Saylor – P. Pearce and D. Saylor have meeting in September at Hopkins warehouse. Plan to input equipment into inventory system for easier request processing. D. Saylor and J. Fuss to coordinate to move the remaining equipment slotted for Hopkins cache to Hopkins.
5. THIRA – M. Hubbard reported S. Davis is staying on to complete this year’s THIRA. Stakeholders are currently being identified. Looking to coordinate with MEMA to streamline efforts. More information to come.
6. FY18 UASI Funding – were awarded funding for ambo buses ($40,000). M. Hubbard - no update on GAN distribution.
7. Region III Alternate Care Site and Training Facility at GBMC– C. Hughes – 24 month completion from 2/2018, letter is complete but we have not received it; regional equipment is out and in storage.

* Portable Facility – C. Edds for V. Black – No updates. Awaiting information on whether HVAC system was moved inside facility as well as flooring alternatives. C. Hughes asked for written update from MDH.

1. Triage Tag Days – C. Hughes - 576 tags received from July test. Missing chief complaint, vitals, arrival time, and other missing information trends continue. Next test Oct 3rd - 7th. MIEMSS asked to address this issue again.
2. Communications

* Radio project – Radio purchase is moving forward. All radios will have MDFirst channels. Still coordinating with AA, Baltimore City, and Baltimore County for access to local channels.
* Firstnet – M. Hill – shared information she received on Firstnet. Info can be found at <https://www.firstnet.gov/>. AT&T reaching out to agencies/entities across the region.

1. Integrated Public Health and Medical Forum –C. Edds – Next Forum scheduled for September 24th
2. Statewide MOU/Legislated Liability Protection - C. Hughes – continued conversations with government affairs rep – need to have MIEMSS, MDH, MHA involved as well going forward

* Uniform Emergency Volunteer Health Practitioner Act – L. Swank – no updates; standing agenda item
* EMTALA – requirement for physician to physician transfer could be waived in situations where there is an agreement for patient transfer during emergencies – Question as to whether Regional MOU is sufficient. More information is needed.

1. Regional Coordinator Update – C. Edds and C. Hughes

* MSAT Contract Follow Up – C. Edds reported MDH still focusing on finalizing contract.
* MERC Storage –J. Huggins – BWI is no longer a storage option. J. Huggins to provide information on next steps. There are two systems – a 40 bed and 24 bed.
* EmPOWER Review – C. Edds reported that data will be provided by MDH twice each grant cycle.
* CERC/PIO Training – C. Edds – no updates.
* Fall Meeting – C. Edds – registration open. Contact C. Edds with any registration issues.

1. Road ID During Emergencies – C. Hughes – This group continues to meet and will provide updates to the coalition group as we move forward.
2. CHEMPACK Changes/work plan – C. Hughes/ C. Edds – C. Hughes received MDH response from CDC with no guidance and suggestion to plan with State. C. Edds to follow up with MDH about plan for collaboration.
   * EMS Supplies –J. Huggins – No updates
   * Duodote Replacement – C. Edds does not believe there are any outstanding items for Region III.
3. Expiring PPE and Supplies, Plan for Future – C. Hughes requests everyone keep track of needs so we are ready to move forward on the PPE project once funding is received.
4. Jurisdictional Roundtable – No updates, all are tracking Hurricane Florence.
5. Next Steps:
   * Next meeting – TUESDAY, October 9, 2018

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