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

***Meeting Agenda: October 15, 2019 (10 AM to 12 PM)***

Attendees: Geni Ali – Amedisys; Shane Anderson – Region III Coalition; Mary Brown – Hopkins; Nicole Brown – MDH; Erin Busey - Hopkins; Jim Chang – UMMC: Paul Chizmar – Harford County DES; Tom Converse – Clifton T. Perkins Hospital Center; Todd Dousa- JH Bayview Medical Center; John Dulina – MEMA; Aneika Ebitu – MACHC; Bernadette Eichmann – MDH; Kim Eshleman – Ba City HD; Loreal Froat- MedStar; Ben Geppi- BaCo. HD; Jeff Hagen – UCHS; Chris Hiles- Balto City OEM; Martha Hill – Sinai; Jeff Huggins- MIEMSS; Christina Hughes – MedStar; Andrea Hyatt – U of MD; Tom Jeffers - Carroll Hosp; Robin Lewis – Kindred; Elise Major Whiteford – Balto City OEM; Bob Maloney – Hopkins; Gene Mellin- Howard County General; Mike O’Connell – MIEMSS; Penny Pearce – Johns Hopkins; Jay Ringgold – Baltimore County OEM; Andy Robertson – MIEMSS; Dr. Al Romanosky – MDH; Craig Savageau- MHA; Deb Saylor – AAHD; Patty Sherman- AA Medical Center; Dimitris Stamidis – Mercy; Lisa Swank- Harford Co. HD; Kerry Topovski- AA Co OEM; Cheryl Webb – Carroll County HD; Curtis Wiggins – Carroll Co. EMS

* Introductions & Review of Minutes & Membership
* Meeting called to order at 10:01 AM by Christina Hughes.
* September meeting minutes approved.
* Christina Hughes asked for any organizations with membership changes to please inform the coalition to ensure accuracy of contact lists.
* WebEOC – C. Hughes
  + Exercise – J. Huggins
* No updates.
* The coalition asked John Dulina to advocate for the coalition at the state level to rectify the coalition board issue on WebEOC.
* Mass Prophy Discussion Follow Up – B. Maloney
* Bob Maloney heard from Baltimore County HHS and Todd Dousa at Bayview. He is planning to reach out to the center of health security for their risk assessment pertaining to aerosolized Anthrax.
* Training and Exercises
  + UASI Committee Training & Exercise Plan – C. Hiles
* MEMA has requested time to discuss the CCTA Tabletops at the monthly meeting.
  + - JCTAWS Follow Up – C. Hughes
* Subcommittee met and Christina met up with MIEMSS to discuss protocols and the potential of best practice sharing (potentially through the council).
  + - * HCF Subgroup Lead
* The coalition is looking for a lead for this subgroup. Aneika expressed interest in having an offline conversation with Christina Hughes on how to increase FQHC involvement in the coalition.
  + - CCTA Project – J. Dulina
* MEMA is currently looking for dates to do a central region tabletop exercise. MEMA is working through the training & exercise group to coordinate logistics for the exercise. MEMA is looking to complete this exercise before the end of the calendar year.
  + Statewide IMT – J. Huggins
* The statewide IMT held their first EOC academy class but are still working towards their non-profit designation and inclusion of non-governmental organization representatives.
  + Evac Surge Drill - L. Froat
* The surge groups have been combined per Shane Anderson. The week of May 4th or May 11th were identified as potential dates for the exercise in addition to a proposed March tabletop exercise. The coalition will work with MIEMSS to see what they wish to get out of the exercise. The national exercise division will be tapped (request has been submitted) to assist in exercise facilitation and/or evaluation.
  + MCAC – A. Cardella
* No updates.
  + NDMS Exercise – M. O’Connell/J. Huggins
* In November, planning will begin again for this exercise.
  + Anniston Training – B. Maloney/M, Brown
* The Johns Hopkins Health System is sending a large group from member institutions (40 students) next month on November 10th -16th and an additional 6 for the week after. Members are looking at late spring/early summer for the healthcare coalition leadership and HERT courses for the coalition wide trip to Anniston.
  + Peds Planning Subcommittee – S. Anderson
* Shane Anderson is looking at some dates in February for a tabletop exercise. The subcommittee is looking to increase membership and identify a specific date.
  + MYTEP – S. Anderson
* Shane Anderson is trying to analyze and recreate the MYTEP by meeting with committee members. Dr. Romanosky asked to be included in correspondence as he is working on a state-level pediatric advisory group.
  + IT Resiliency Workshop – B. Maloney/C. Hughes
* JHH is working to develop an IT resiliency workshop for coalition members. The planning group is hoping to have lectures, a working lunch, as well as a panel. The workshop will be held at Johns Hopkins Hospital. An Eventbrite link will be sent out as soon as possible.
* Statewide MOU/Legislated Liability Protection - C. Hughes/ J. Huggins
  + EMTALA in Disasters – A. Myers/L.Swank
* Upon an inquiry on EMTALA in the Las Vegas shooting. Coalition members were informed that EMTALA regulations and compliance would be assessed on a case-by-case basis. Physician to physician transfer was discussed as being untenable at times during this event due to volume of patient surge. Further clarification may be required on definitions and waivers.
* Ongoing Projects
* Strategic Plan for Coalition – C. Hughes
* Coalition members are working with MHA on the best path forward. Christina Hughes will advise the coalition when she has more information.
* Resource Management Plan – C. Hughes
* Christina Hughes sent out the most recent version of the plan along with other helpful toolkits. The coalition plans to keep this updated using coalition staff moving forward.
* AOSR Project– C. Hughes
* No updates.
* HVA Workgroup – T. Jeffers
* Shane Anderson will be taking over the HVA workgroup for 2020.
* Ebola/HID Grant Regional Funding – C. Savageau
* No updates to the future of grant funding.
  + - Training Request
* No updates.
  + - No Notice Drills/ Full Scale
* MDH is still waiting for the previous exercise AAR from the contractor. The state level exercise is planned for April 14-15 and the save the date email was disseminated via email. This exercise will be inclusive of frontline, assessment, and treatment hospitals. The state will provide a mix of paper and simulated patients to assist in exercise facilitation.
* Website – L. Froat
* Loreal Froat is working with the vendor to address some formatting issues.
* BP2 Regional Application – L. Froat
* The MHA has given the greenlight on moving forward. Craig Savageau articulated that checks should be mailed out to hospitals shortly.
* BP1-Supp Activity – C. Hughes
  + PPE Needs - S. Anderson
* All PPE has been sent out with the exception of some shipping detail errors or rectified orders. There will be a second order of PPE purchases. Shane Anderson requested that interested organizations should contact him.
  + Active Assailant Kit Request –E. Johnson
* Loreal Froat was working to reallocate funding to provide the second round of purchases for active assailant kits, Stryker chairs, and vent training.
  + Tubing
* Tubing has been ordered and will be delivered to JHH. Loreal and Penny will work on distribution logistics.
  + Vent Training – S. Anderson
* Shane Anderson reached out to the company regarding training. There are two classes scheduled for the rest of the year and the October class is full. Shane asked each organization to reach out to their biomedical staff to gauge interest in attending the December class.
* Health and Medical UASI Projects – Committee Updates
  + Ambo Buses – J. Brothers/ R. Vaccaro
* No updates.
  + Patient Tracking – J. Huggins
    - Updates – Equipment Disposition
* MIEMSS is in the process of picking up all the patient tracking equipment.
  + - MEMRAD Update
* Still working internally on CHATS.
  + - CRISP – Access - C. Hughes
* There was some confusion amongst stakeholders on scheduled and cancelled CRISP tests.
* A user manual has been requested to aid in stakeholder use.
  + Alternate Care Site Cache – D. Saylor
* Deb Saylor and Ben Geppi will coordinate logistics for moving the cache.
  + FY19 Funding
* No updates.
* THIRA – D. McMillan
* There are several coalition members on the group. The group members will send the coalition their findings to include their feedback.
* Region III Alternate Care Site and Training Facility at GBMC – C. Hughes/M. Tauson
* David McMillan will discuss this issue with some stakeholders and work with Christina to determine the best way forward on this issue.
* Triage Tag Days 2019 – J. Huggins
* No updates.
* Communications
  + Radio Project – C.Hughes/B. Maloney/All
* Christina has made some progress on getting the Baltimore County hospitals listen only access to specific radio talk groups and access to a talk channel for extreme emergencies. Upper Chesapeake Hospital articulated that they had interest in procuring more radios in the future.
  + Sat Phone/Radio Tests – S. Anderson
* Shane Anderson asked Region III members to reach out to Molly Barlow from MDH so that we can get our participation levels up.
* Repatriation Planning – D. Saylor
* No updates.
* CHEMPACK Changes/Work Plan – C. Hughes
* Some changes are forthcoming regarding CHEMPACK.
  + Duodote Replacement – MDH
* Dr. Romanosky is trying to have this finished in the next week or two. Hospitals that are unable to locate their Duodotes will likely not receive replacements.
* Jurisdictional Roundtable
* No updates.
* Next Steps
* Meeting concluded at 11:51 AM by Christina Hughes.