



CALL TO ORDER

John Kowalik called the meeting to order and welcomed the attendees. Mr. Kowalik thanked Houston Transtar for providing the meeting space.

INTRODUCTIONS

No introductions were made.

DSHS EMS Compliance 6/5s Update

A statement from DSHS about drug shortages in the nation was distributed to the committee. DSHS will request documentation from agencies carrying expired drugs showing an invoice and the medications are on back order.

DISCUSSION	ACTION/RECOMMENDATION	FOLLOW-UP
<p><u>AIR MEDICAL</u></p> <p><u>Old Business</u> No update.</p> <p><u>New Business</u> Previously, there was little response received about locations of dedicated landing zones (LZ) in the region. If there is interest, a list of and map of dedicated LZs can be created.</p>	<p>No action items or recommendations.</p> <p>Agencies that are aware of dedicated LZs can send the information to Don Wade or Eric Von Wenckstern, including capabilities.</p>	<p>Closed.</p> <p>Update to be provided at next meeting.</p>
<p><u>EMS SQI</u></p> <p><u>Old Business</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Data Reporting Quarter 4 2016 cardiac and stroke data was recently sent to hospital CEOs and the EMS agencies that have viewed the required explanatory video. 	<p>No action items or recommendations</p>	<p>Closed.</p>



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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> EMS in Stroke Care Laura Griffin from HCA, Gulf Coast Division, gave a presentation on the knowledge and role of EMS in care for stroke patients, including prehospital stroke severity tools, large vessel occlusions, and the different types of stroke designated facilities. 	<p>No action items or recommendations.</p>	<p>Closed.</p>
<p><u>EMS CARE AND TRANSPORT</u></p> <p><u>Old Business</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> New DSHS EMS Rule No update. LPG Grant – Training Announcement No update. EMS County Funding Documentation for this fiscal year is due July 31st. After that date, funds available due to other agencies not submitting their paperwork will be reallocated to other eligible agencies in the corresponding counties. Affidavits for calendar year 2016 EMS runs need to be submitted so SETRAC can ensure all runs are accounted for. There will be affidavits for calendar 2017 runs. Regional EMS Transport Alert System A workgroup is being organized to discuss an EMS regional notification process for stroke, trauma, and cardiac patients that would be used by all hospitals. <p><u>New Business</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> CEO Update / Legislation Update No update. 	<p>No action items or recommendations.</p> <p>No action items or recommendations.</p> <p>Agencies need to submit their documentation no later than July 31st to receive their funding.</p> <p>Anyone interested in being a part of the workgroup can contact Chris Collier or Catherine Bissell.</p> <p>No action items or recommendations.</p>	<p>Closed.</p> <p>Closed.</p> <p>Update to be provided at the next meeting.</p> <p>Update to be provided at the next meeting.</p> <p>Standing report.</p>



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<p>The Everbridge notification system has been replaced by Smart Notice in this region.</p> <p>A support specialist group is being developed that would include persons assigned to drive vehicles, assist with documentation, and provide other support during trainings and activations.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Regional Healthcare Preparedness Coalition (RHPC) Update SETRAC recently provided two medical stations staffed by Acadian, AMR, and HFD for the Freedom Over Houston event on July 4th. All went well with no issues. Approximately 30 patients were seen with few transports. <p>The committee discussed the Critical Mass cycling event that recently took place from downtown Houston to Jacinto City and Galena Park and the need for advance notification to EMS agencies whose area is included in the route.</p>	<p>No action items or recommendations.</p>	<p>Standing report.</p>
<p><u>NEXT EMS COMMITTEE MEETING</u></p> <p>The next meeting will take place on September 15, 2017 at 10:00am at Houston Transtar.</p>	<p>No action items or recommendations.</p>	<p>Standing report.</p>
<p><u>OPEN DISCUSSION</u></p> <p>No items to discuss.</p>	<p>No action items or recommendations.</p>	<p>Standing report.</p>
<p><u>ANNOUNCEMENTS / UPCOMING TRAININGS</u></p> <p>No update.</p>	<p>No action items or recommendations.</p>	<p>Standing report.</p>
<p><u>ADJOURN</u></p> <p>There being no other items for discussion, the meeting was adjourned.</p>	<p>No action items or recommendations.</p>	<p>Standing report.</p>