



<p><u>CALL TO ORDER</u></p> <p>Mr. John Kowalik called the meeting to order and welcomed the meeting attendees.</p>
<p><u>INTRODUCTIONS</u></p> <p>No introductions were made.</p>
<p><u>Department of State Health Services (DSHS) EMS Compliance 6/5s Update</u></p> <p>Committee members were reminded that as of January, monitors need to have the capability to transmit 12-leads. This is being looked at on a regional level as several providers have asked for guidance on how to send the 12-leads and how the hospital will receive and use the images.</p>
<p><u>CEO Update</u></p> <p>SETRAC has tentatively received approximately \$340,000 from the state and is looking into how to best use it. Ideas in consideration include expanding use of whole blood in the region, expanding data, and a study on responder behavioral health with the University of Houston (UH). Pilot agencies would be needed for the UH project which is geared toward targeting problems and develop programs that would help responders.</p>

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<p><u>EMS CARE AND TRANSPORT</u></p> <p><u>Old Business</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New DSHS EMS Rule – RAC Participation No items to report. • Local Project Grant Funding An announcement is expected in February regarding the amount of funding that will be dispersed in April. Last year, the funds were used to provide training for EMS. • EM Resource Trauma Diversion: No items to discuss. 	<p>No action items or recommendations.</p> <p>Committee members are asked to start thinking of ways to use the funds.</p> <p>No action items or recommendations.</p>	<p>Standing report.</p> <p>Standing report.</p> <p>Closed.</p>



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<p><u>New Business</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Legislative Update No updates. • GETAC Update A meeting will be taking place next week between the Texas Hospital Association and GETAC EMS Committee regarding the wearing of body cameras. • EMS County Funding Agencies will be receiving packets to show expenses and track receipts for fiscal year 2020. Packets need to be received by August but the preference is to submit them early. • EMS Run Affidavit Funding amounts are dependent on the number of runs that are entered into the trauma registry. Because of inaccuracies in the trauma registry, affidavits allow SETRAC to ensure that the accurate amount of money is received for dispersing to each county in our region. 	<p>No action items or recommendations.</p> <p>Chris Collier will see if this is an open meeting or invitation only.</p> <p>No action items or recommendations.</p> <p>Agencies are asked to provide a copy of the submitted affidavits to SETRAC or submit affidavits to SETRAC who will then forward them to DSHS.</p>	<p>Standing report.</p> <p>Standing report.</p> <p>Standing report.</p> <p>Standing report.</p>
<p><u>EMS SQI</u></p> <p><u>Old Business</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EMS Hospital Door Codes No items to discuss. • JCC Stroke Update No items to report. • EMS Whole Blood Program A group is currently meeting every two weeks by phone to develop 	<p>No action items or recommendations.</p> <p>No action items or recommendations</p> <p>No action items or recommendations.</p>	<p>Standing report.</p> <p>Standing report.</p> <p>Standing report.</p>



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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cardiac Committee Update See “Heart Safe Community” section. • Stop the Bleed Update No items to discuss. • Mobile Integrated Health Workgroup Update This workgroup has become an official subcommittee of SETRAC. The subcommittee will meet one hour before the EMS Committee meetings. The group is looking at how to begin building for community health visits, how to make sustainable, and work with hospitals to prevent readmissions. • Sepsis Workgroup This group has been dormant but may be reformed. • Trauma Activation Criteria Update There is a suggestion from the Trauma Committee to change the wording for Level I and II activations by EMS for pelvic fractures to “pelvic injury requiring stabilization device” whether it is a binder or a sheet. • MCI Triage – Standards Update (Workgroup Formation) New guidance has come out nationally regarding the MCI triage process. A workgroup will be put together to research and create best practices and how to switch over to new methods. A document with the new guidelines will be added to the SETRAC website. Once a plan is established by the workgroup, EMS medical directors will have a meeting to determine how to adopt the guidelines regionally. <p>EMS in Hazardous Incidents - HCFMO The Harris County Fire Marshal’s Office has a HAZMAT response team that can be utilized by both EMS and fire departments. There is uptake in chemical related episodes that can present an</p>	<p>No action items or recommendations.</p> <p>No action items or recommendations.</p> <p>All agencies are encouraged to participate as they are affected in some way.</p> <p>Anyone interested in being a part of this group can contact Allen Sims.</p> <p>No action items or recommendations.</p> <p>Anyone wishing to be on the workgroup can contact Mr. Collier.</p> <p>No action items or recommendations.</p>	<p>Standing report.</p> <p>Standing report.</p> <p>Standing report.</p> <p>Standing report.</p> <p>Closed.</p> <p>Update to be provided at the next meeting.</p> <p>Closed.</p>



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<p>exposure to law enforcement and EMS in which the HAZMAT team may need to be called. If needed, the HAZMAT team can be contacted through the following means:</p> <p>HM4 on TXWARN Public safety - 281-537-5900 or 800-590-0005</p> <p>For entities in Harris county not in a municipality. Change in priority code 1 v 2 on MVA with long so responding. A meeting will take place on January 28th between HCSO and Harris County Firefighters Association to come up with a better process for responding more quickly to motor vehicle accidents.</p>		
<p><u>EMS DISASTER</u></p> <p><u>Old Business</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Communication Systems Update No items to report. <p><u>New Business</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Emergency Medical Task Force Update An workday was recently held to get the team familiar with the equipment and inventory supplies. Information will be sent out regarding upcoming MIST and ambulance staging management team classes. In addition to primary contacts, secondary and tertiary contacts are needed due to missed callouts by several agencies during activations. • Regional Healthcare Preparedness Coalition Update The annual region-wide exercise will take place in April 21 and 22 	<p>No action items or recommendations.</p> <p>Anyone interested in participating with the EMTF events or joining any teams can contact Mr. Clingaman.</p> <p>EMS is encouraged to hold their own</p>	<p>Standing report.</p> <p>Standing report.</p> <p>Standing report.</p>



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and will involve a severe weather incident.	internal exercise in conjunction with this exercise.	
<p><u>AIR MEDICAL</u></p> <p><u>Old Business</u> No items to report.</p> <p><u>New Business</u> Memorial Hermann TMC will have a new tower operational on January 22nd at 6am.</p>	<p>No action items or recommendations.</p> <p>No action items or recommendations.</p>	<p>Closed.</p> <p>Closed.</p>
<p><u>ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION</u></p> <p><u>Future Meetings</u> To promote collaboration, representatives from SETRAC clinical committees are being asked to attend the EMS Committee meetings to present data on how the region is performing, such as door-to-needle times for stroke, door-to-balloon times for cardiac, and tourniquet data.</p> <p><u>WAVE App</u> Mr. Kowalik reported on his agency's experience using the WAVE app, which allows users to talk to dispatch using cell phones without delay.</p> <p><u>Bariatric Ambulances</u> Mr. Naranjo inquired about tracking which agencies have bariatric ambulances and how to keep track of them. Mr. Collier suggested sending out a survey to find out which agencies have true bariatric ambulances, what the activation criteria is, what equipment is needed for those without bariatric ambulances, and what hospitals accept them.</p>	<p>No action items or recommendations.</p> <p>No action items or recommendations.</p> <p>A suggestion was made to have a workgroup put together to discuss this issue further.</p>	<p>Closed.</p> <p>Closed.</p> <p>Closed.</p>



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<p><u>NAEMSP Meeting</u> Dr. Decker mentioned the Texas chapter of NAEMSP will meet March 26-28. EMS medical directors are strongly encouraged to attend but others may attend as well. One does not need to be a NAMEMSP member to attend, however there may be a member discount.</p>	No action items or recommendations.	Closed.
<p><u>ADJOURN</u> There being no items for discussion, the meeting was adjourned. The next meeting will take place on March 20th.</p>	No action items or recommendations.	Closed.