

#### West Corridor Minutes

January 29, 2021 WebEx Meeting



#### A. Call to Order

Toni Carnie opened the meeting at 9:02 am.

## **B. Approval of Minutes** (C101)

Ms. Carnie requested review of the December minutes. David Cramer (HCA) made a motion to approve the minutes, Jim Bunch (HCA North Cypress) seconded the motion, and the corridor members carried the motion. The minutes were approved as written.

#### C. New Business

## • COVID-19 Response Update

Fidel Calvillo reported on the COVID numbers and ongoing response.

#### • Hazard Vulnerability Assessment (HVA)

Mr. Calvillo advised the corridor members the HVA is due to SETRAC by February 10<sup>th</sup>. He gave instructions on how to complete and submit the report.

# **D. HPP Capabilities Review**

The coalition has met and continues to meet the capabilities during the COVID response with ongoing med surge planning, training, and exercises, etc.

#### E. EMTF Update

Mikal Orr reported EMTF-6 has concluded operations in El Paso. Approximately, 40 personnel were deployed on that mission and have returned to their home agencies. Currently, EMTF-6 has two ambulances (5 total personnel) deployed on Critical Care Transfer missions (1 in Laredo, Tx and 1 in Del Rio, Tx). The Laredo SMA is through 2/5/21 and the Del Rio SMA is through 2/14/21. EMTF-6 continues to develop our Wildland Medic unit for deployment within our region and the state to assist TIFMAS, during wildland fire missions. Houston Fire Department is planning to conduct a prescribed fire at the end of February, and we are working with them staff a Wildland Medic unit. This is a great opportunity to develop the team and conduct training in preparation of future missions. EMTF-6 continues to receive and process Reimbursement Packages for our partner agencies.

## F. Training and Exercise Update

Adam Lee reported SETRAC has added a new GA-32 page to the COVID report that can be found at <a href="https://www.setrac.org">www.setrac.org</a> click on the "COVID-19 Data Report" picture. The first button in the top left of the page will be "GA-32 Calculation" once you are on the GA-32 page you will see a bar graph and line graph. The bar graph represents the 15% GA-32 calculation. You will need to select the TSA you want to see. These numbers may not match DSHS perfectly, but they will be very close. The two

numbers may be different because SETRAC contacts facilities that do not report or appear to of made a reporting error and correct the data. DSHS receives that data but cannot go in and update numbers that have already been submitted and gone through the varies departments. A link to the official DSHS number is in the text at the top of the page. The line graph are all the questions that are combined to get the GA-32 % broken out. Another feature of this page is the "Detailed View" button located on the middle of the page on the left side. This view will give you what specific questions are added together to get Hospital Capacity and Lab Confirmed.

Mr. Lee also discussed that the vaccine questions are not mandatory to answer as of right now, but it is mandatory for SETRAC to put the vaccine report out every Wednesday to give the option for facilities to report.

## **G. Special Populations Update**

Hilal Salami reported Hilal Salami reported SETRAC continues to engage with stakeholders and PPE distributions are ongoing. Long Term Care facilities have received their vaccines. The health departments are currently reaching out to the Home Health facilities regarding their vaccines. All previous After Action Reports have been released for use as full scale exercises.

#### H. Partner Updates

No partner updates were submitted. Anyone wanting their partner update included in the minutes should send their update via email to Roxie Ward at <a href="mailto:roxie.ward@setrac.org">roxie.ward@setrac.org</a>. This will ensure updates are documented accurately in the minutes.

### I. Open Discussion/Other Business

#### 1135 Waiver

There was discussion regarding the 1135 Waiver and what waivers are in place. Following is the link to the waiver: <a href="https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Provider-Enrollment-and-Certification/SurveyCertEmergPrep/1135-Waivers">https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Provider-Enrollment-and-Certification/SurveyCertEmergPrep/1135-Waivers</a>.

## Adjournment

There being no further business or discussion, Ms. Carnie adjourned the meeting at 9:30 am. The next West Corridor meeting is scheduled for Friday, March 26<sup>th</sup>, via WebEx Meeting.

**ATTENDEES**: Toni Carnie, Dena Daniel, Sheryle Bazan, Bethany Brown, Jim Bunch, Jennifer Cole, Chris Coleman, Lesa Cordova, Michael Flanagan, John Franks, Aaron Freedkin, Mary Ann Hajovsky, Terri Hardy, Bonnie Macius, Tammy Moeller, Allison Reimers, Sandra Sands-Arnaez, Fidel Calvillo, Adam Lee, Mikal Orr, Hilal Salami, Roxie Ward