



## East Corridor Minutes

March 19, 2021  
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### **A. Call to Order**

Vicki Tarnow called the meeting to order at 1:01 pm.

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

Ms. Tarnow requested review and approval of the January minutes. Ron Nichols (Chambers County EMS) made a motion to approve the minutes, Toni Maddox (Liberty Dayton Regional Medical Center) seconded the motion, and the corridor members carried the motion. The minutes were approved as written.

### **C. New Business**

- **Winter Weather Response**

Jeremy Way reminded the corridor member of the Regional After Action call scheduled for Monday (March 22<sup>nd</sup>). He stated the regions worked very well together during the recent winter weather as well as other recent MCIs.

- **COVID-19 Response Update**

Mr. Way reported the numbers are dropping but there may be an increase due to Spring Break activities. Staffing numbers are being cut as the state begins their demobilization plan. Ms. Tarnow stated reporting is an important part of this processing and numbers need to be submitted daily.

Lisa Spivey provided an update on regional funding due to some questions being raised on how funding was spent. She reported the Corridor Chairs met with SETRAC leadership after being provided the amount that was available. It was determined that the amount of funding, if allocated to individual facilities, would not be substantial enough. The group then decided instead of an individual allotment to facilities, the monies would best be placed in a regional cache for the CASPER PAPRs. This recommendation was then presented to the RHPC Board and approved. This cache is now available for SETRAC stakeholders.

- **Coming Back Live?**

There was discussion regarding in-person meetings, and it was decided that each corridor member in attendance would send in their preference to Roxie Ward at [roxie.ward@setrac.org](mailto:roxie.ward@setrac.org) along with the password at the end of the meeting.

### **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.

The HVAs were due February 10<sup>th</sup>. Any facility that has not submitted their HVA should email it to Ms. Spivey at [lisa.spivey@setrac.org](mailto:lisa.spivey@setrac.org) as soon as possible.

## **E. EMTF Update**

Mikal Orr reported the Critical Care ASTs have demobilized - Del Rio (January 3 - February 12) Chambers County EMS, and Laredo (December 6 – February 25) Windsor EMS.

AST Activation for 911 Support & Critical Care transfers - Nacogdoches (February 19 – February 24) Lake Jackson EMS, Chambers Co. EMS, Windsor EMS, & Atascocita.

Winter Weather AMBUS missions - (February 14 – February 21) AMBUSs evacuated or transported 68 total patients across five separate missions. One mission was a transport of eleven patients for emergency dialysis.

FED Ambulance Strike Team/2 MIST - (February 21 – February 24) assigned fifteen Ambulance Strike Team to assist in South/South East Texas. Also assigned two MIST personnel from Corpus Christi for leadership and support of the FED AST

Potential Military Plane Crash - MPV 601 & 604 responded to a potential military plane crash in the Big Thicket forest near Woodville. Also responding were Gary Litton & Mikal Orr and all units disregarded due to no incident.

## **F. Training and Exercise Update**

Adam Lee reported the Burn Surge AAR has been submitted to DSHS for approval. On March 22, 2021, the virtual Winter Storm AAR was held. The AAR has been written and submitted for approval.

All training remains on an as-needed-bases. To get more information or set up a training email [exercise@setrac.org](mailto:exercise@setrac.org). ABLS class will be held at Shriners Galveston. If you would like more information on this class, please reach out to [exercise@setrac.org](mailto:exercise@setrac.org). WebEOC/EMResource/EMTrack training can be scheduled through the SETRAC website. The next class is 4/20/21 at 0900.

SETRAC is now a Nursing CE provider through the efforts of John Wingate completing the process. Anyone needing CEs should contact Mr. Wingate at [exercise@setrac.org](mailto:exercise@setrac.org).

## **G. Special Populations Update (C101)**

Hilal Salami reported the group contact by SETRAC continues to rise and we are working on bringing new facilities and agencies as coalition stakeholders and educating them on benefits of the coalition.

There is a marked decrease in COVID cases and outbreaks in Long Term Care Facilities, home health resident population and dialysis centers. PPE distribution continues for both the LTC group (748 facilities and dialysis clinics currently on rotation) and the Home Care group (769 agencies currently on rotation) monthly for each. Most LTC Facility based organizations have received vaccine allotment to their staff and now going through residents and populations with underlying health conditions.

Home Health and care agency staff vaccine allotment is underway mostly through local health departments. There is continuous coordination and response through recent events with the special populations group.

The After Action Report template for the Winter Storm Weather event has been created and the walkthrough session on how to compile it was completed during group call. Training for completion of the HVA template for new members has been completed. Replayed information for the Winter Weather SETRAC AAR link is forthcoming from the Training and Exercise Team. The 2021 EMResource training schedule for the group will be released next week.

## **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 [roxie.ward@setrac.org](mailto:roxie.ward@setrac.org). This will ensure updates are documented accurately in the minutes.

## **I. Other Business**

- **2021 RHPC Preparedness Symposium**

This year's symposium dates are October 20<sup>th</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup> at the San Luis Convention Center.

### **Adjournment**

There being no further business or discussion, Ms. Tarnow adjourned the meeting at 1:41 pm. The next East Corridor meeting is scheduled for Friday (May 21<sup>st</sup>) from 1:00 to 3:00 pm.

**ATTENDEES:** Vicki Tarnow, Ron Nichols, Ashley Brittain, Darlene Farek, Brent Hahn, Darrell Fales, Mary Ann Hajovsky, Kacey Sammons, Kristine Gerlich, Doug Sanders, Frank DeMarco, Kenneth Coleman, Reggie Wasson, Lydia Worthen, Alyson Nickum-Smith, Kathy Rodgers, Debbie Hall, Toni Maddox, Sam Marrero, Tim Welch, Kiska Boyd, Lisa Spivey, Jeremy Way, Hilal Salami, Mikal Orr, Adam Lee, Roxie Ward