



East Corridor Minutes
January 14, 2022
Zoom Meeting



A. Call to Order

Lydia Worthen called the meeting to order at 1:00 pm.

B. Minutes (C101)

Ms. Worthen requested review and approval of the December minutes. Ron Nichols (Chambers County EMS) made a motion to approve the minutes, the motion was seconded, and the corridor members carried the motion. The minutes were approved as written.

C. New Business

• **State Nurse Staffing**

Jeremy Way reported some facilities have received their nurses and Angel Staffing is vetting the other nurses to deploy as soon as possible.

D. HPP Capabilities Review

• **EMTrack/WebEOC Training**

Mr. Way stressed the importance of EMTrack and WebEOC training for the appropriate personnel. SETRAC is available to train night staff as well. To register for training, contact John Wingate (john.wingate@setrac.org), Carrie Cox (carrie.cox@setrac.org) or go to exercise@setrac.org.

E. EMTF Update

Mikal Orr reported on the following EMTF activities:

Current Missions:

- AST Border Support in Dilley Texas – 1 Ambulance crew operating on this mission from EMTF-6. SMA is through 1/14/22
- AST 911 Support in Chambers County – 2 MICU crews arrive on 1/7/22 up to 7-day mission. Covid exposures have resulted in short staffing of Chambers County's EMS system

Past Missions:

- MPV 6-01 completed transfer of 15 patients from a home health facility to 3 regional hospitals on 1/5/22.

Training/Meetings:

- EMTF Workgroup and Coordinator meetings scheduled for 1/25 & 1/26 in San Antonio – due to Covid restrictions, these meetings may be rescheduled or, potentially, held virtually.
- The 2022 EMTF training, meeting, and exercise calendar is tentatively complete. This calendar will remain fluid, again, due to Covid restrictions and scheduling conflicts. Once approved, the Calendar will be distributed to EMTF partners and leadership.
- As we move through this year, there will likely be training/mentorship opportunities during planned events and some activations. These opportunities will be evaluated on a case-by-case

basis and approved by SETRAC leadership. Also, such opportunities will be on a volunteer basis and not eligible for reimbursement.

New/Future Business:

- Considerable work/planning needed to re-engage and develop our EMTF program components.

Training/Exercises:

1. 4 personnel attended the MIST Initial course during the Preparedness Symposium
2. Developing a training/meeting schedule for 2022 – MMU, AMBUS, RNST
3. Strong need to build our RNST membership – any hospital systems interested can email me for additional information.
4. Also focusing on the development of our Wildland Support Teams.

F. Training and Exercise Update

SETRAC conducted an Off the Grid Drill on Tuesday, December 7th from 0900 – 1100.

SETRAC will be hosting a Ham in a Day guided study session on Saturday December 11th from 0800 – 1700 to obtain your FCC Operator License. Those who are interested in attending this One-day 8-hour session with FCC test will need to complete the registration form at <https://forms.setrac.org/211615782884868>. The location will be at the SETRAC Conference Center located at 1111 North Loop West Suite 160 Houston, TX 77008.

Training is available to be scheduled as needed. The calendar for the first half of 2021 is now available. Contact John Wingate to schedule any SETRAC Trainings.

G. Special Populations Update (C101)

Fidel Calvillo reported on the following Special Populations activities:

- Special Populations and Free Standing EDs Meeting held on Dec. 9th topics discussed:
COVID Updates
 - a. Full Scale Exercise in May for Special Pops- targeting Evacuation and Shelter in place during a weather event.
 - b. Exercise planning team will be created
 - c. Training and Exercise: EMResource training available online and on site if needed. Will be scheduling training at SETRAC Conference Center in 2022. January 24-28th
 - d. 2022 RHPC Symposium: Speaker participation and Award of Excellence was discussed.
- FSED Stakeholder
COVID Update
 - a. Burn Surge Exercise discussion to have FSED participate in the exercise. Several FSED would like to participate.
- Ongoing Activities
 1. Planning to begin in 2022 with local OEMs for hurricane bootcamps (4).
 2. Continue working with ESRD and HHSC on Emergency Preparedness Meetings.
 3. Continue to onboard facilities and agencies to increase regional participation in the coalition.
 4. Meeting with facilities and providing RHPC overview and working on agreements.
 5. Email communications have been sent out regarding COVID response activities.

Next meeting scheduled for February 10th at SETRAC Conference Center.

H. Partner Updates

No other 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. This will ensure updates are documented accurately in the minutes.

I. Other Business

Mr. Nichols (Chambers County EMS) updated the corridor members on the State EMTF units deployed to assist with their 911 backfill during the current COVID surge.

Adjournment

Ms. Worthen requested a motion to adjourn the meeting. Kacey Sammons made a motion to adjourn the meeting, the motion was seconded, and Ms. Worthen adjourned the meeting at 1:19 pm. The next East Corridor meeting is scheduled for Friday (March 18, 2022) from 1:00 to 3:00 pm. The location will be announced closer to meeting time.

ATTENDEES: Lydia Worthen, Kiska Boyd, Darlene Farek, Kristin Gerlich, Carissa Imrecke, Sam Marrero, Ronald Nichols, Sarina Nickel, Kacey Sammons, Martha Simien, Ursula Roy, Tim Welch, Marie Zaunere, Jeremy Way, Carrie Cox, Fidel Calvillo, Mikal Orr, Roxie Ward