



CALL TO ORDER

Chris Collier called the meeting to order and welcomed the meeting attendees. The meeting was held in-person and virtually via Zoom.

INTRODUCTIONS

No introductions were made.

DISCUSSION	ACTION/RECOMMENDATION	FOLLOW-UP
<u>EMS PERFORMANCE</u> <u>Old Business</u> • Local Project Grant Funding This grant is not expected to be funded this spring by the state. The committee will be notified if this changes. • EMS County Funding All packages have been sent to eligible agencies. Checks will be going out to agencies whose packets have been received and processed. • EMS Run Affidavit The state has not asked for run affidavits as numbers from previous years and data from the state trauma registry has been used for funding. Preliminary numbers indicate a \$15,000 decrease in the EMS pass through funds due to Waller County now being considered an urban county and the addition of rural counties that now have EMS coverage. • SETRAC Dues There is currently one agency that is not current on dues for 2021. Dues amounts for 2022 will remain the same as 2021. Invoices will be sent in April via email.	No action items or recommendations. No action items or recommendations. The amount of funding will be announced later this summer prior to the start of the next fiscal year (September 1st). No action items or recommendations.	Standing report. Standing report. Standing report. Update to be provided at next meeting.

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• Legislative Update No updates at this time. The next legislative session will begin in January 2023. • DSHS EMS Compliance 6/5s Update The governor has extended the waiver for the staffing variance to August 2022. • GETAC Update One of the main topics of discussion continues to be the workforce development initiative which aims to hire and retain EMS personnel (scholarships, EMS programs, etc.) • RAC Self-Assessment Scoring Tool DSHS is developing a self-assessment tool that will grade each RAC on how they are functioning. This can affect funding in the future. Included in the tool is a corrective improvement plan for those areas that fall below the minimum standards. • SETRAC Award of Merit SETRAC has been discussing ways to recognize people in our region when they have gone above and beyond in the field, program development, etc. A review committee will need to be formed and criteria and application process developed. Those selected for the award would be presented with a special SETRAC coin as well as a ribbon that can be displayed on Class A uniforms.	No action items or recommendations. No action items or recommendations. No action items or recommendations. A recommendation was made for a work group to be formed to begin reviewing the scoring system in place for prehospital care and if/how the requirements are being met. No action items or recommendations.	Standing report. Standing report. Update to be provided at next meeting. Update to be provided at next meeting. Update to be provided at next meeting.
<u>JOINT COMMITTEE INITIATIVES</u> <u>Old Business</u> • EMS Whole Blood Program (Trauma)		



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The program was recently rolled out at Cy-Fair. The SETRAC Trauma Committee has opted to push out the Thor AABB Working Group's article on how to achieve this process as well as some region-wide suggested protocols for best practices. The logistics of where the blood is stored and how to obtain the blood continues to be an issue in the region.	No action items or recommendations.	Update to be provided at next meeting.
• Texas CARES Initiative (Cardiac) SETRAC will begin receiving data from Texas CARES and will provide reports at future EMS meetings. Any agencies that haven't joined in the initiative are encouraged to do so.	No action items or recommendations.	Update to be provided at next meeting.
• Advanced Directives/DNRs from Nursing Homes (Trauma/MIH) The work for this topic has been completed by the MIH-CP Subcommittee and has been moved to the Special Populations department at SETRAC. The idea has been well-received. Training will be developed regarding this initiative.	No action items or recommendations.	Update to be provided at next meeting.
• Utilizing 911 for STEMI/Stroke/Trauma Inter-Facility Rapid Transports (Multiple) No update at this time.	No action items or recommendations.	Update to be provided at next meeting.
• Pre-Hospital Use of Ketamine (Trauma) No updates at this time.	No action items or recommendations.	Update to be provided at next meeting.
• Heart Healthy Community Program (Cardiac) No updates at this time.	No action items or recommendations.	Update to be provided at next meeting.
• Falls Prevention Awareness (Injury Prevention) No updates at this time.	No action items or recommendations.	Update to be provided at next meeting.
• EMS LVO Assessment Review (Stroke) No updates at this time.	No action items or recommendations.	Update to be provided at next meeting.



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• Trauma Transport Algorithm (Trauma) No updates at this time. • Over the White Line – Houston Transtar (Trauma) No updates at this time • Regional MCI Guideline Workgroup (Trauma/RHPC) No updates at this time. <u>New Business</u> • EMResource Language Update (All) During COVID, hospitals frequently used the “internal disaster” status in EM Resource (often at the same time) which made it become less relevant for EMS providers to use when determining where to bring patients. Because of this, new language will be proposed for status changes that will be common to hospital and prehospital providers. This will help lead the way to determining what other ways EMResource could be updated to be more beneficial to the region.	No action items or recommendations. No action items or recommendations. No action items or recommendations. A suggestion was made to have a survey of the region to determine how EMResource is being used throughout the region, what features should be added, and any other recommendations for the program.	Update to be provided at next meeting. Update to be provided at next meeting. Update to be provided at next meeting. Update to be provided at next meeting.
<u>SUBCOMMITTEE / WORKGROUPS</u> • Mobile Integrated Health Subcommittee Update The subcommittee was not able to meet prior to the meeting. No updates at this time. • EMS Education Workgroup SETRAC is moving forward with adding courses to the online education site. If any agency has an employee that would like to assist with designing online courses, SETRAC can hire him/her as a contractor and/or work with the agency to have hours put in for which SETRAC would pay.	No action items or recommendations. No action items or recommendations.	Standing report. Standing report.



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• EMS Data Workgroup Data points for the region need to be decided upon for review by the committee.	A suggestion was made to have the clinical committees decide which data they would like collected from EMS as a starting point.	Standing report.
<u>EMS SYSTEMS QUALITY IMPROVEMENT (SQI)</u> <u>Old Business</u> • EMResource CAD Interface Update This project continues to move forward and will implement additional agencies. • Pulsara Memorial Hermann and Houston Methodist are pushing for a Q3 system-wide go live. Other facilities may go online earlier. The EMResource survey discussed previously during the meeting will also include a question about interest in having the use of Pulsara a region-wide initiative. • OD Map HIDTA is in discussion with EMS PCR vendors on how to integrate the data elements of the OD Map with their software. BAAs will need to be completed by any agency that would like to join. A request to add a checkbox has been requested to ESO as it is a national program. Anyone interested in participating can reach out to Mr. Collier. • Harris County Public Health HDE Harris County Public Health has received five signed agreements that will be presented to commissioner's court next month. Harris County Public Health will be going live soon with the data. Hospitals will be contacted to get the facilities on the same system with data sharing.	No action items or recommendations. No action items or recommendations. No action items or recommendations. No action items or recommendations.	Update to be provided at next meeting. Update to be provided at next meeting. Update to be provided at next meeting. Update to be provided at next meeting.



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<u>New Business</u> • SETRAC Committee Updates Texas Children's Hospital, Children's Memorial Hermann Hospital, and SETRAC have awareness kits available for Child Abuse Awareness Month (April 2022.) Agencies can request kits through the poll sent out via the list serve. Many committees will be going back to in-person meetings with or without a virtual option. • Drug Backorder Update No update at this time. • HCFMO Boarding Home Enforcement Chief Shaw of the Harris County Fire Marshal's Office gave an update on the enforcement of boarding homes. The presentation included the regulations in place, questions to ask of boarding home operators, when immediate response is needed, and contact information. SETRAC recently took part in a meeting to discuss how RACs can assist with relocating patients found in unpermitted boarding homes so they are not taken to hospital emergency rooms if they are not in need of medical attention. A discussion took place about how to handle patient relocation when arriving on scene at an unpermitted boarding home. • TCH Study Dr. Manish Shah gave a presentation on a research study entitled Pediatric Dose Optimization for Seizures in EMS. The study, will compare: - The impact of standardized EMS midazolam dosing relative to conventional dosing on pediatric seizure cessation upon ED	No action items or recommendations. No action items or recommendations. No action items or recommendations. No action items or recommendations.	Closed. Update to be provided at next meeting. Update to be provided at next meeting. Closed.



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arrival. - The frequency of respiratory failure after implementation of standardized EMS midazolam dosing for pediatric seizures. This study will be done in collaboration with the City of Houston Fire and EMS and 19 other cities across the country. • Memorial Hermann Case Presentation No update at this time.	No action items or recommendations.	Topic to be presented at future meeting.
<u>EMS DISASTER</u> <u>Old Business</u> • COVID Update No update at this time. <u>New Business</u> • Emergency Medical Task Force (EMTF) Update An AMBUS group meeting was held to discuss current statuses and plans to improve responses. There are currently six wildland fire support resources activated and deployed providing support for firefighters. • Regional Healthcare Preparedness Coalition Update RHPC will work with clinical committees with upcoming exercises so joint efforts are included.	No action items or recommendations. No action items or recommendations. No action items or recommendations.	Standing report. Standing report. Standing report.
<u>AIR MEDICAL</u> <u>Old Business</u> • Standardized Response Time Language		



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No update at this time. • Critical Care Transport Matrix No update at this time. <u>New Business</u> No items to report.	No action items or recommendations. No action items or recommendations. No action items or recommendations.	Update to be provided at next meeting. Update to be provided at next meeting. Closed.
<u>ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION</u> With the EMS Committee meeting resuming in-person meetings, questions have come up about once again having lunch and networking time after the meeting.	.	Update to be provided at next meeting.
<u>ADJOURN</u> Mr. Collier adjourned the meeting. The next meeting will take place May 20, 2022.	No action items or recommendations.	Closed.