



CALL TO ORDER

Clayton Ehrlich called the meeting to order and welcomed the guest online at 13:00. This meeting was held virtual via zoom, and was a rescheduled meeting from July 17, 2024, due to Hurricane Beryl.

INTRODUCTIONS

Introductions were made by EMS Committee.

DISCUSSION	ACTION/RECOMMENDATION	FOLLOW-UP
<u>EMS PERFORMANCE</u> <u>Old Business:</u> - No items to report. <u>New Business:</u> EMS County Funding: County funding checks were sent to the EMS agencies who are eligible for county pass thru funding. No further report. DSHS EMS Compliance 6/5s Update: It was mentioned that a draft amendment to the Texas Administrative Code 157.11 regarding dialysis transport for an EMS provider during disasters was sent out by DSHS and should be reviewed by the EMS committee members. GETAC Update: The last GETAC meetings were held in June with the next ones being this month on August 21st - 23rd in Austin, TX. It was reported at the May meeting that Ch. 157 Rules Project was withdrawn by the state. DSHS has submitted a new rules project that will be open for public comment sometime later this year with these rules taking effect on September 1, 2025.	No action items or recommendations. No action items or recommendations. Recommendation to review the amendment to Ch. 157.11 regarding dialysis patients during disasters. No action items or recommendations.	Standing report Standing report Standing report Standing report



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<u>JOINT COMMITTEE INITIATIVES</u> Old Business: • Texas CARES Initiative (Cardiac): No update at this time. • Safe Transfer of Balloon Pump Patients (Cardiac): No update at this time. • Safe Transfer of Thrombolytic Patients (Stroke): No update at this time New Business: • RAC Self-Assessment Scoring Tool It was reported that SETRAC is currently in the process of completing the RAC Self-Assessment with the EMS committee leadership and information will be shared with the committee once it is completed from all parties. • Regional MCI Plan (RHPC): L. Spivey with SETRAC gave an update for the Regional MCI Plan stating that it is time to revise this plan per deliverable requirements. It was asked for EMS participation to assist in this plan revisions by joining the workgroup. Invites will be sent out on future meeting dates. The committee leadership encouraged members of the committee to join the workgroups if they are interested in assisting.	No action items or recommendations. No action items or recommendations. No action items or recommendations. No action items or recommendations. Recommendation to join the regional workgroup regarding the revision of MCI plan when invite is sent out.	Update to be provided at a future meeting Update to be provided at a future meeting Update to be provided at a future meeting Update to be provided at a future meeting Update to be provided at a future meeting



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<u>SUBCOMMITTEE / WORKGROUPS</u> • Mobile Integrated Health Subcommittee Update (EMS): The MIH Subcommittee did not meet since the last EMS Committee meeting and the next meeting date is September 18, 2024. • EMS Blood Products Subcommittee (EMS): It was mentioned that the state GETAC Whole Blood Task Force meeting is today after this EMS Committee meeting. At the national level, CMS has been proposed rule language to include the administration of whole blood under the specialty care transport criteria. There is a lot of discussion on this and more to be reported at the next meeting. There was discussion in the subcommittee meeting around the blood banks not able to produce whole blood due to a demand issue. There was a motion made in the subcommittee meeting to develop this current subcommittee into a standing SETRAC committee. The discussion around this topic was that it was to include multiple different partners including blood banks, hospitals, EMS, and other partners. It was reported that this project of blood rotation is a complex topic and needs to have its own committee to be worked on with multiple partners.	No action items or recommendations. Motion made to transition the current EMS Blood Products Subcommittee to a standing committee of SETRAC by D. Wait at Fort Bend County EMS, and second motion by M. Furh at Colorado County EMS. Recommendation to approach the SETRAC board to ask of this and to provide rationale.	Standing report. Standing report.
<u>EMS SYSTEMS QUALITY IMPROVEMENT (SQI)</u> <u>Old Business:</u> • EMResource CAD Interface Update: No update at this time. • Bariatric Transports:	No action items or recommendations. No action items or recommendations.	Update to be provided at a future meeting Update to be provided at a future meeting



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No update at this time. <u>New Business:</u> • Pulsara It was discussed that Pulsara is the regional MCI patient tracking method since July 1, 2024. Pulsara was contacted to start attending our EMS meeting to provide an update as well as considering holding a SETRAC Pulsara Workgroup meeting where hospital and EMS partners can provide feedback to Pulsara and allow an exchange of information to better assist the region. It was mentioned that in the Pulsara platform SETRAC's name has changed to SETRAC/CMOC to be able to add SETRAC/CMOC to any incident created by partners. • National Prehospital Pediatric Readiness Project (PPRP) Assessment: The final numbers for this assessment were presented and it was noted that 20 agencies in TSA-Q participated in the survey. It was mentioned that MCHD received the pediatric provider of the year award. • Texas EMS Wristband At the next EMS Committee meeting the Texas EMS Wristbands that SETRAC has purchased for the region will be disbursed to agencies who are in attendance. A question was asked who will be replenishing these wristbands once the EMS agencies run out and it was informed that the cost will be to the EMS agency to order and pay for them. No further questions.	Recommendation to hold Pulsara Workgroup meeting for SETRAC partners. 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



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<u>AIR MEDICAL</u> <u>Old Business:</u> • GETAC LZ Presentation on Helicopter Safety and Landing Zone Training <u>New Business:</u> • No items to report	No action items or recommendations. No action items or recommendations.	Update to be provided at next meeting. Update to be provided at next meeting.
<u>EMS DISASTER</u> <u>Old Business:</u> • No items to report <u>New Business:</u> • Hurricane Beryl: There was discussion regarding the Hurricane Beryl response, and it was mentioned that the SETRAC/CMOC AAR is on September 4, 2024, and EMS members are encouraged to attend. There were discussions around the EMTF strike team responses during the hurricane and operations during the disaster. Discussion around using the free-standing ER's during disasters and daily for these throughput issues in the hospitals. There were discussions around SETRAC needing to focus on and be involved in the wall-times for EMS at the hospitals to assist partners during day to day and during disasters.	No action items or recommendations Recommendation to attend AAR on 9/4/24 at the SETRAC offices. Invite to follow. Recommendation for SETRAC to develop a workgroup to assist with the wall times in the region.	Standing report Update to be provided at next meeting.



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• Emergency Medical Task Force (EMTF) Update: Grant was in attendance virtually and reported that during a response for Derecho in May, EMTF6 deployed severe weather package that was staged at NRG which included Acadian Ambulance, City Ambulance, Cy-Fair FD, Lake Jackson EMS, La Porte EMS and HCESD8. During Hurricane Beryl EMTF program deployed a total of 363 personnel, 218 assets from all eight EMTF regions which included 4 TFL's, 39 MIST, 21 AST, 8 AMBUS', and 10 Paramedic Coach Buses. Grant thanked all the local/regional response units during the hurricane who were able to assist with deployment. Grant mentioned the Hurricane Beryl EMTF AAR will be on August 27 in San Antonio with a virtual option. Grant proceeded to discuss the operations of EMTF during the hurricane in the SETRAC region. It was mentioned that the "EMTF Day" will be moved to September at the SETRAC warehouse and will send out more information on the dates. IDRU training will be in October for anyone interested in participating in the EMTF IDRU teams.	Recommendation to attend the EMTF Day and increase participation.	Standing report
<u>ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION</u> • There was discussion around the SETRAC GroupMe for the EMS leaders and members were encouraged to join the group and send a request to be added if needed to utilize this informal means of communication. It was reiterated that EMResource and SETRAC Listservs are still the formal means of communication.	No action items or recommendations	Update to be provided at next meeting.



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Partner Updates: No updates at this time.	No action items or recommendations	Update to be provided at next meeting.
<u>ADJOURN</u> The meeting was adjourned at 1351. The next meeting is scheduled for September 18, 2024, at the SETRAC Offices. Code Word: Purple Heart	No action items or recommendations.	Closed.



SETRAC EMS Committee Meeting Attendance Roster
August 7, 2024

Agency/Organization	Representative	Date	Meeting Name
American Medical Response-Houston	Morgan Shumake	August 7, 2024	EMS Committee
Austin County EMS	Walter Morrow	August 7, 2024	EMS Committee
Baytown Fire Department	Dana Dalbey	August 7, 2024	EMS Committee
Baytown Fire Department	Erik Skow	August 7, 2024	EMS Committee
Bellaire Fire Department	Albert Figueroa	August 7, 2024	EMS Committee
Channelview Fire Department	Steven Adams	August 7, 2024	EMS Committee
CHI Baylor St. Lukes	Richard Engdorf	August 7, 2024	EMS Committee
City of Houston	Ines Flores	August 7, 2024	EMS Committee
City of La Porte EMS	TJ Alessi	August 7, 2024	EMS Committee
City of Pearland	Kelly Sears	August 7, 2024	EMS Committee
City of Seabrook	Robert Turner	August 7, 2024	EMS Committee
Colorado County EMS	Marti Ingvarlsen	August 7, 2024	EMS Committee
Colorado County EMS	Michael Furrh	August 7, 2024	EMS Committee
Cy-Fair Fire Department	Christian Arick	August 7, 2024	EMS Committee
Deer Park Volunteer Fire Department	Andrew Smith	August 7, 2024	EMS Committee
East Bernard EMS, Inc.	Christopher Kalmbach	August 7, 2024	EMS Committee
El Campo EMS	Garret Bubela	August 7, 2024	EMS Committee
Fort Bend County EMS	Dudley Wait	August 7, 2024	EMS Committee
Fort Bend County EMS	Brian Petrilla	August 7, 2024	EMS Committee
Harris County	Kimberly Hobson	August 7, 2024	EMS Committee
Harris County ESD #4	Cody Nance	August 7, 2024	EMS Committee
Harris County ESD #48	Eric Bank	August 7, 2024	EMS Committee
HCA	Christy Stermer	August 7, 2024	EMS Committee
HCA	Nathan Jung	August 7, 2024	EMS Committee
HCA	Trey Urech	August 7, 2024	EMS Committee
HCA	Lisa Martinez	August 7, 2024	EMS Committee
HCA Kingwood	Collin Poole	August 7, 2024	EMS Committee
Highlands Volunteer Fire Department	Theresa Young	August 7, 2024	EMS Committee
Houston Fire Department	Matthew White	August 7, 2024	EMS Committee
Houston Methodist Hospital	Bobby Delgado	August 7, 2024	EMS Committee
Humble Fire Department EMS	Wyatt Watkins	August 7, 2024	EMS Committee
Integrity Alliance Partners LLC	Amber Quarles	August 7, 2024	EMS Committee
Jacinto City Fire Department	Mike Bodak	August 7, 2024	EMS Committee
Matagorda County EMS	Robert Campos	August 7, 2024	EMS Committee
Memorial Hermann	Jim Young	August 7, 2024	EMS Committee
Memorial Hermann	Ward, Zachary	August 7, 2024	EMS Committee

Memorial Hermann Life Flight	Aron Hanson	August 7, 2024	EMS Committee
North Channel EMS/ HCESD6	Samuel Scarber	August 7, 2024	EMS Committee
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Northwest Community Health/HCESD8	Eric Steffel	August 7, 2024	EMS Committee
SETRAC	Katherine Samuel	August 7, 2024	EMS Committee
SETRAC Committee Chair	Jason Gander	August 7, 2024	EMS Committee
SETRAC EMS Committee Medical Director	Shane Jenks	August 7, 2024	EMS Committee
SETRAC EMS Committee Physician Rep.	Joseph Gill	August 7, 2024	EMS Committee
SETRAC EMS Coordinator	Clayton Ehrlich	August 7, 2024	EMS Committee
SETRAC EMTF6	Grant Kelly	August 7, 2024	EMS Committee
South Houston EMS	Anna Aina-Stine	August 7, 2024	EMS Committee
Southlake Houston EMS	C.J. Brown	August 7, 2024	EMS Committee
Village Fire Department	Jason Kendall	August 7, 2024	EMS Committee
Walker Co. EMS	Jay Kovar	August 7, 2024	EMS Committee
Wharton EMS	Jacob Kilgore	August 7, 2024	EMS Committee
Windsor EMS	Alton Henderson	August 7, 2024	EMS Committee