



SETRAC EMS Committee

Wednesday November 20, 2024
Cy-Fair Fire Department 10710 Telge Rd. Houston, TX 77095

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CALL TO ORDER

Dr. Gill called the meeting to order 1304.

INTRODUCTIONS

Justin Reed with Cy-Fair FD welcomed everyone to the meeting location.

DISCUSSION	ACTION/RECOMMENDATION	FOLLOW-UP
<u>PRESENTATION</u> Harris County Public Health – Data Presentation: Victoria Vatankha, Substance Use Epidemiologist at Harris County Public Health gave a presentation over EMS data they have been collecting through ESO. HCPH substance abuse team was awarded a CDC grant for overdose prevention. HCPH provided a data report over trends in Harris County of substance abuse deaths. HCPH is requesting a partnership from agencies using ESO to collect data regarding these overdoses to have real time data for abuse prevention. Currently as 6 of 35 EMS agencies agreements for data collection. There was discussion after the presentation of finding EMS resources to provide the public a way to find substance abuse treatment centers for insured and non-insured individuals who need treatment care. <u>EMS PERFORMANCE</u> Old Business: - No items to report.	If interested in partnering with HCPH in this initiative contact: OD2AINFO@PHS.HCTX.NET No action items or recommendations.	None Standing report



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<u>New Business:</u> DSHS EMS Compliance 6/5s Update: DSHS representative in the room with no update. GETAC Update: It was mentioned that the next GETAC meeting is on November 23rd through the 25th, in Fort Worth. alongside the Texas EMS Conference. GETAC Council did approve a statewide Wall Times workgroup that will involve multiple bodies of EMS	No action items or recommendations. No action items or recommendations.	Standing report Standing report
<u>JOINT COMMITTEE INITIATIVES</u> <u>Old Business:</u> Safe Transfer of Balloon Pump Patients (Cardiac): No update at this time. Safe Transfer of Thrombolytic Patients (Stroke): No update at this time. Regional MCI Plan (RHPC): No update at this time. <u>New Business:</u> SETRAC Emergency Department Committee (ED) It was mentioned that the first meeting for this newly formed ED Committee at SETRAC is tomorrow (Nov 21) at the SETRAC offices and anyone is encouraged to attend. This group will be fundamental in a successful ED Committee and the leadership of EMS encourages attendance from this group. SETRAC Blood Products Committee (Blood) Eric Bank gave a brief update regarding this committee. Eric reported that CMS adjusted the rule and is now recognized as an ALS2 for payment purposes. There are a lot of legislative actions taking place and more to come on this initiative.	No action items or recommendations. No action items or recommendations. No action items or recommendations. Recommendation to work with the newly formed SETRAC ED Committee. No action items or recommendations.	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 met prior to this meeting. Corey Naranjo with HCEC gave an update on this subcommittee. Corey reported that a topic of discussion is DNR initiative that would ensure the availability and recognition of DNR's for prehospital providers to respect patients' directives. The group is looking to engage the special populations group at SETRAC to reach the SNF's, etc. to determine a best practice when EMS arrives on scene. Corey mentioned that if you are interested in starting a MIH/CP program at your agency feel free to reach out for help. The group is looking to establish a course housed on the SETRAC LMS to prepare providers to take the CPC exam. This is currently being built and in process.	No action items or recommendations.	Standing Report
<u>EMS SYSTEMS QUALITY IMPROVEMENT (SQI)</u> Old Business: • EMResource CAD Interface Update: No update at this time. • Bariatric Transports: No update at this time. • Texas EMS Wristbands & Pulsara No update at this time.	No action items or recommendations. No action items or recommendations. No action items or recommendations.	Update to be provided at future meeting. Update to be provided at future meeting. Update to be provided at future meeting.



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<u>New Business:</u> • EMS Body Camera Workgroup: The EMS Committee has had discussion in previous meetings to establish a workgroup on body cameras worn by EMS providers to establish best practices and potentially create a regional guidance document. More information will be sent out for future meetings. If interested contact Clayton Ehrlich at SETRAC to sign up or scan the QR code on the agenda to sign up. • Hospital Wall Times The SETRAC EMS Committee leadership reported that it will be working with the newly formed ED Committee to work with the hospital on reducing wall times for EMS providers. It is still recommended on using the freestanding ERs to reduce wall times. Dudley Wait encouraged everyone to join the ED Committee tomorrow and polled the group on asking the group on their current struggles with wall times. It was recommended to unify the message the EMS committee is sending to work with the other committees and hospitals regarding this topic.	Recommendation to join workgroup. Engage the ER committee to help combat these issues and unify as members to make change in the region.	Update to be provided at future meeting. Update to be provided at future meeting.
<u>AIR MEDICAL</u> <u>Old Business:</u> • N/A <u>New Business:</u> • N/A	No action items or recommendations. No action items or recommendations.	Closed. Standing report



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<u>EMS DISASTER</u> <u>Old Business:</u> • No items to report <u>New Business:</u> • Emergency Medical Task Force (EMTF) Update: Grant Kelley with EMTF6 was in attendance and reported out on EMTF activities. Grant reported that in October the prehospital IDRU course was held at SETRAC, and it was a 2-day course and went well and hoping to schedule them quarterly. More dates to follow. Grant reported on 10/5-11/7 EMTF provided wildland fire support activity. EMTF had 5 locations in the state and EMTF6 sent support from the region to 3 of those areas. On 11/13 SETRAC/EMTF6 rostered 45 ambulances to provide fill in services for the city of Houston for the attendance of a fallen firefighter. During this the EMTF ambulances responded to 144 calls for service with 80 transports. Grant mentioned that the warehouse workdays are becoming more frequent and encourages people to attend.	No action items or recommendations. No action items or recommendations.	Closed. Standing Report
<u>OPEN DISCUSSION</u> • Partner Updates: Clayton from SETRAC thanked the members who were able to roster ambulances for the HFD funeral services. HFD also thanked the region for the support.	No action items or recommendations	Closed.



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Jim Young mentioned that Memorial Hermann switched to Epic and stopped capturing the MRN number and are now recording the QR code on the patient stickers. This allows the ePCR to be attached to the patient chart in Epic. • Voting for EMS Committee Leadership: Voting for the SETRAC EMS Committee leadership for 2025-2027 is available and will be taking place today. An information on each nominee is available to the group and voting will close at the end of business today.	Vote for EMS Committee leadership.	Closed.
ADJOURN The meeting was adjourned at 1421. The next meeting is scheduled for January 15, 2025, at the SETRAC Offices. Code Word: Turkey	No action items or recommendations.	Closed.



SETRAC EMS Committee Meeting Attendance Roster
November 20, 2024

Agency/Organization	Representative	Date	Meeting
Acadian Ambulance	Eric Stricklin	Nov 20, 2024	EMS Committee
Atascocita VFD	Sean Conley	Nov 20, 2024	EMS Committee
Austin County EMS	Gary Stansbury	Nov 20, 2024	EMS Committee
Baytown Fire Department	Derrick Gaskin	Nov 20, 2024	EMS Committee
Bellaire Fire Department	Albert Figueroa	Nov 20, 2024	EMS Committee
City of Pearland	Kelly Sears	Nov 20, 2024	EMS Committee
City of Seabrook	Robert Turner	Nov 20, 2024	EMS Committee
City of Sugar Land	Michael Bell	Nov 20, 2024	EMS Committee
Colorado County EMS	Marti Ingvarlsen	Nov 20, 2024	EMS Committee
Community Volunteer Fire Department	Josh Taylor	Nov 20, 2024	EMS Committee
Cy-Fair Fire Depart	Justin Reed	Nov 20, 2024	EMS Committee
Deer Park Volunteer Fire Department	Andrew Smith	Nov 20, 2024	EMS Committee
DSHS	Amber Adams	Nov 20, 2024	EMS Committee
East Bernard EMS, Inc.	Christopher Kalmbach	Nov 20, 2024	EMS Committee
El Campo EMS	Garret Bubela	Nov 20, 2024	EMS Committee
Fort Bend County EMS	Mike Nixon	Nov 20, 2024	EMS Committee
Fort Bend County EMS	Joseph Gill	Nov 20, 2024	EMS Committee
Friendswood Fire Department EMS	Lily Prefontaine	Nov 20, 2024	EMS Committee
Galena Park Fire Department	Kathy Kirkpatrick	Nov 20, 2024	EMS Committee
Harris County Emergency Corps	Corey Naranjo	Nov 20, 2024	EMS Committee
Harris County ESD #11	Nicole Michels	Nov 20, 2024	EMS Committee
Harris County ESD #11	Jay Lance Kovar, MD, FACEP	Nov 20, 2024	EMS Committee
Harris County ESD #4	Cody Nance	Nov 20, 2024	EMS Committee
Harris County ESD #48	Eric Bank	Nov 20, 2024	EMS Committee

Harris County ESD #5	Blake Milnes	Nov 20, 2024	EMS Committee
Harris County Public Health	Trey Frankovich	Nov 20, 2024	EMS Committee
Harris County Public Health	Kimberly Hobson	Nov 20, 2024	EMS Committee
HCA Airline	Brian Gallier	Nov 20, 2024	EMS Committee
HCA Houston Healthcare (regional rep)	Lisa Martinez	Nov 20, 2024	EMS Committee
HCA Houston Healthcare (regional rep)	Christy Stermer	Nov 20, 2024	EMS Committee
HCA Houston Healthcare Conroe	Trey Urech	Nov 20, 2024	EMS Committee
Houston Fire Department	Christine Langas	Nov 20, 2024	EMS Committee
Houston Fire Department	Timothy White	Nov 20, 2024	EMS Committee
Huntsville-Walker County EMS	Rachel Parker	Nov 20, 2024	EMS Committee
Integrity Alliance Partners LLC	Amber Quarles	Nov 20, 2024	EMS Committee
Jacinto City Fire Department	Mike Bodak	Nov 20, 2024	EMS Committee
Memorial Hermann Life Flight	Aron Hanson	Nov 20, 2024	EMS Committee
Memorial Hermann System	Jim Young	Nov 20, 2024	EMS Committee
Northwest Community Health/HCESD8	Eric Steffel	Nov 20, 2024	EMS Committee
SETRAC	Grant Kelley	Nov 20, 2024	EMS Committee
Southlake Houston EMS	C.J. Brown	Nov 20, 2024	EMS Committee
Texas Childrens Hospital	Kathryn Kothari	Nov 20, 2024	EMS Committee
UTMB Clear Lake	Richard Arocho	Nov 20, 2024	EMS Committee
Village Fire Department	Jason Kendall	Nov 20, 2024	EMS Committee
Wharton EMS	Jacob Kilgore	Nov 20, 2024	EMS Committee
Wharton EMS	Kevin Earomirski	Nov 20, 2024	EMS Committee