



South Corridor Minutes
July 18, 2025
Fort Bend County OEM
Richmond, Texas 77469
1:00-3:00 PM



A. Call to Order

Christy Gonzales called the meeting to order at 1:07 pm.

B. Minutes (C101)

Ms. Gonzales requested review of the May minutes. A motion was made to approve the minutes, the motion was seconded, and the corridor members carried the motion. The minutes were approved as written.

C. New Business

- **Award of Excellence**

Toni Sloan (HCA Houston Healthcare Tomball) gave the corridor members a review of her EMS, hospital, and emergency management background. She gave an overview of the Award of Excellence process and encouraged the corridor members to complete and submit their applications by August 31st. She stated everyone is doing good work throughout the region and this is the time to showcase it (examples were given). The applications for hospitals, LTCs, and a new Partnering award (which includes OEM, Fire, Law Enforcement, etc.) was added this year and can be found on the SETRAC website under Preparedness. Everyone is welcome to stop by SETRAC and review past binders for helpful tips on submitting their binders. The winners are awarded a trophy, a plaque, and free registration to next year's symposium.

- **Maintaining Vigilance**

Deferred to September meeting

- **Mitigation Strategies**

Deferred to September meeting

D. HPP Capabilities Review

- **Pulsara Update**

Ms. Gonzales reported some hospitals/agencies are using Pulsara and others are not. SETRAC is working with Pulsara to schedule training classes to ensure all hospitals/agencies receive training. There is talk about adding a "Practice" event in the system for practice/training purposes. The corridor members discussed system suggestions/recommendations for future updates.

- **World Cup Update**

The next World Cup regional zoom meeting is scheduled for Friday (July 25th) at 10:30 am. These meetings give updates on the most recent plans and concerns. Anyone who needs the meeting invite can reach out to the SETRAC team and the invites will be forward for your calendar. These meetings over the next few months will be on a monthly basis and then they will go to bi-monthly and weekly as the time gets closer.

E. EMTF Update (C101)

Recent Responses and Preparedness

- Bay City Ammonia Release: EMTF swiftly deployed no-notice response, 5 ambulances, and 1 AMBUS,

- Severe Weather Standby: EMTF-6 has been placed a Heavy Strike team on standby 10 times for severe weather preparedness.
- Hill County/Kerr County Deployment (July 4th): EMTF deployed and currently has 135 units of 280 persons throughout the region operating in three different areas of operations along with several assets (MMU, DPMUs) and assisting with task force staging.

Training and Curriculum Development

- MIST Curriculum Advancement: Our coordinators are hard at work developing the new MIST curriculum. with a new MIST course including the new curriculum planned for mid-to-late fall 2025.
- Tentative Dates Set for MIST courses with a blend of old and new curriculum June 11th 12th & July 29th 30th. More to follow please email EMTF 6 Coordinator if you are interested. Requirements are ICS 100, 200, 300, 400, 700, 800. G191 is preferred and a letter of recommendation from agency leadership.
- NWCG MEDL Course: EMTF, in collaboration with the Texas Forest Service, hosted a MEDL course May 20th - May 22nd. 32 partners attended from across the state further preparing the EMTF to better respond for State as well as National wildfires.

Crystal Beach Go Topless Weekend 2025 May 16th, 17th and 18th

- Go Topless weekend was a very successful response. The GCSO's traffic plan largely mitigated the historic call volume. SETRAC/EMTF6 Provided a regional response with 52 personnel responding from 11 different agencies.

F. Training & Exercise (C101)

The Training & Exercise schedule was distributed for the corridor members information highlighting the following:

- Regional Exercise went well, and the corridor members seemed to like the extended play and thought it worked well.
- CMOC 101 training ongoing.
- SETRAC is working to transition from WebEOC to Nexus which is an upgrade to WebEOC.

G. Special Populations Update (C101)

Fidel Calvillo updated the corridor members on the following:

- Planning with local jurisdictions for upcoming Emergency Preparedness Bootcamps in our Region. June 24th in Montgomery County for West Corridor. There is an additional bootcamp in the works for Brazoria Co for South Corridor.
- Continue to work with local jurisdiction on emergency preparedness workshop for elected officials, workshop on hold for now.
- Training dialysis clinics on the use of EMResource has been conducted.
- SETRAC participated with dialysis's Corporate Office in Emergency Preparedness Hurricane Trainings.
- Continue to work with new facilities to be part of RHPC and provide emergency preparedness guidance.
- SETRAC Special Populations presentation at the TALA Conference in April - RACs overview and disaster preparedness.
- Reached out to the TDEM STEAR Rep to discuss the new STEAR online registration for LTCS and home health/hospice providers.

H. Inventory Update (C101)

Deferred

I. Partners Updates (C101)

The corridor members shared public health, hospital, and EMS matters regarding planning and upcoming events, recruiting, new requirements, and training.

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.

J. Open Discussion/Other Business

- **Center for Domestic Preparedness (CDP)**

The corridor members were reminded of the FEMA training available in Anniston, Alabama at no charge. The training courses are usually a week-long and the only price involved is the time away from work, all other charges are paid. Courses and applications can be found on the CDP website.

Adjournment

There being no further business or discussion, Ms. Gonzales adjourned the meeting at 2:08 pm. The next South Corridor meeting is scheduled for Friday (September 12th) at Houston Methodist Clear Lake, (West Bldg. – 2036 Space Park Drive, AmocoFCU Conference Room, Nassau Bay, Texas 77058).

ATTENDEES: Dawn Wood, Jonathan House, Miranda Hanson, Matthew Gout, Kiva Maxwell, Julie Baker, Laura Escochea, Lori Foster, Michael Carrier, Sean Wenglar, Mellanee Roberts, Charles Brockett, Andrew Smith, TJ Alessi, Kimberly Hobson, Sean Wenglar, Christy Gonzales

South Corridor Meeting (7/18/2025)						
First Name	Last Name	Meeting Type	Choose your Corridor	Organization Name (South)	How did you attend?	Meeting Code
Dawn	Wood	Corridor Meeting	South	Houston Methodist Sugar Land Hospital*	In person	Safety First
Jonathan	House	Corridor Meeting	South	Memorial Hermann Pearland Hospital*	In person	Safety first
Miranda	Hanson	Corridor Meeting	South	Memorial Hermann Surgical First Colony	In person	Safetyfirst
Matthew	Grout	Corridor Meeting	South	Brazoria County Health Department	In person	Safety First
Kiva	Maxwell	Corridor Meeting	South	HCPH-PHPRD	In person	Safety First
Julie	Baker	Corridor Meeting	South	City of Pearland OEM	In person	Safety first
Laura	Escochea	Corridor Meeting	South	Memorial Hermann Surgical First Colony	In person	Safety first
Lori	Foster	Corridor Meeting	South	Memorial Hermann Sugar Land*	In person	Safety first
Michael	Carrier	Corridor Meeting	South	Memorial Hermann Sugar Land*	In person	Safety First
Sean	Wenglar	Corridor Meeting	South	El Campo Memorial Hospital	In person	Safety first
Mellanee	Roberts	Corridor Meeting	South	City of Pearland OEM	In person	Safety first
Charles	Brockett	Corridor Meeting	South	FBC Public Health	In person	Safety First
Andrew	Smith	Corridor Meeting	South	Deer Park	In person	Safety first
Tj	Alessi	Corridor Meeting	South	City of La Porte EMS	In person	Safety First
Kimberly	Hobson	Corridor Meeting	South	Harris County Public Health	In person	Safety first
Christy	Gonzalez	Corridor Meeting	South	Wharton County EMS	In person	Safety First