

# **EMS Technical Advisory Committee**

Friday, March 27, 2009 8:30 AM MEDIC EMS Lower Level Conference Room 1204 E High Street Davenport

Meeting called by:

Sheriff Dennis Conard

Type of meeting:

Regular Monthly Meeting-Exercise Planning Meeting to Follow TAC

## **Agenda topics**

Call to Order-Introductions

Minutes of the 2-27 TAC Meeting

LEIN FUSION Presentation

Homeland Security/EMA Report-ICS 400

**SECC Report** 

Exercise Update 3-4-09

**Hospital Planning Report** 

**Public Health Planning Report** 

SCEMSA Report-Strategic Planning

**SCFC Report** 

**Education Report** 

Law Enforcement Report

SIP, LEPC, and Other Agency Reports

Special Populations Initiative

Other Items of Interest-HIPAA Changes

Next Meeting April 24-Adjourn



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Attendees:

Paul Andorf, Shawn Belk, Andrea Bladel, Nick Border, Amy Cannady, Kara Carruthers, Terry Conklin, Dennis Coon, Jon Ellstrom, Chuck Gipson, Kevin Greenley, Kathy Hall, Brian Hitchcock, Brian Jacobsen, Dave Kelly, Steve Knorrek, Stephanie Latham, Jeannine McCullough, Lee Meyers, Linda Nielsen, Orville Randolph, Phil Redington, Brenda Schwarz, Jerry Shirk, Jamie Temple, Richard Vermeer, Gerry Voelliger, Steve Wearth

Call to Order

Everyone introduced themselves.

# **Agenda topics**

Motion to approve the February 27<sup>th</sup> meeting minutes was seconded and approved unanimously.

#### LEIN FUSION Presentation

Discussion: Jack Rudsell/Mike Brogly

Jack provided a presentation on the Fusion Center for LEIN, (Law Enforcement Intelligence Network). There are currently 63 fusion centers in 48 states. The state of Iowa is broke into 6 Regions. Scott County is located in Region 6. The center was designed to gather, document and share intelligence between the private and public partner's sector and law enforcement agencies. It is used in all types of crimes to ultimately improve crime-fighting and anti-terrorism capabilities. A Fusion Urgent Notification form was handed out for anyone that wanted to participate in the alerting system membership.

#### **SECC Report**

Discussion: Brian Hitchcock

Brian reported the building project group has finished the interior layout design of the rooms in association with each other and they continue working on the exterior design of the building, electrical and heating systems. They will be going with Geo-thermal heating in the building. The radio contract has been finalized and signed with RACOM for \$7 million. They are purchasing 1,413 radios. They will do a "phase approach" to purchase the radios beginning approximately in July '09 and ending in July '10. They will be able to use the radios 6 months prior to the SECC building opening to begin working out any technical difficulties. RACOM will be improving the communication infrastructure which should be completed in Feb '10. The CAD RMS bids are due back April 14<sup>th</sup>. Once the contract is signed it takes a year to upload our mapping information and codes. Between the two riverboats they have asked for grant monies of approximately \$864,000 for the phone installation in the 911 center, \$330,000 for council furniture and \$105,000 for radio holding devices and holsters for the fire and police agencies. To date they have acquired approximately \$5.4 in grants for this project.

### Exercise Update 3-4-09

Discussion: Nick Border/Denny Coon/Amy Cannady/Kathy Hall

Nick reported the August 13th plans are still being written for the Mass Casualty Exercise on Arsenal Island and an incident in the City of Rock Island. There will be a tabletop drill on July 13<sup>th</sup> at 9 a.m. to prepare for the August exercise. The location has not been chosen at this time. Denny commented that there is some State of Iowa grant money available to the EMS Association and the July 13<sup>th</sup> tabletop may be expanded to a Functional Drill.

Nick reported that the Regional Exercise on March 4<sup>th</sup> went very well for Genesis. Denny added that the EOC was open and operational for this exercise. Both of the hospital systems, public health, Sheriff's Office, FSS, SC Administration, EMA, and LEIN representatives all participated. Terry Davies, Rock Island County Health Department, was the evaluator for the EOC. This time anyone that participated in the EOC was asked to bring an individual to participate in the JIC. The City of Bettendorf, Trinity, Genesis, MEDIC and Scott County participated. Amy said everyone that participated in the JIC worked well together. They are planning on getting the Quad City PIO group back together in the near future. Kathy was at the Command Center at West and said overall it went off well.

#### **Hospital Planning Report**

Discussion: Andrea Bladel/Kathy Hall/Nick Border

Andrea reported that Genesis is back to full-time Neuro Surgeon coverage. Kathy reported there is a Command Staff class at Moline Fire the week of March 30<sup>th</sup>. Nick reported they are looking at ways to change the way they accept patients at the East campus during a disaster. They are planning on holding a small exercise in June before the August Exercise to see how it works.

#### Public Health Planning Report

Discussion: Denny Coon/Amy Cannady

Anita with Rock Island was at a tabletop in Macomb. Denny reported the ICS 400 class will be held April 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> with Bart Howard as the instructor. A group of representative of Scott County government got together on the 26<sup>th</sup> to begin the process of developing a Disaster Recovery/Continuity of Operations Plan. Amy and Denny are participating in the group. A MOU has been signed with Main at Locust. Amy reported they are working on updating their Risk Communications, Isolation Quarantine and Pan Flu Plan as well as completing the After Action Report for the March 4<sup>th</sup> Exercise.

#### SCEMSA Report-Strategic Planning

Discussion: Brian Jacobsen/Denny Coon

With the signing of the Stimulus Package there will be new regulations on how the HIPPA Regulation will affect the EMS system in the future. It is going to require everyone to be paperless, encrypted and have policies for using the laptops. This will continue to be an agenda item. Patients that refuse care or assessment when there is question of that individual's competency will be resurrected among law enforcement agencies as well as EMS providers and hospital medical control. The county attorney will also be consulted on this issue.

A school bus crash policy needs to be written. The policy needs to include if they need to hold the non-injured kids at the scene or allow them to be transported on another bus back to school and if some of the children go to the hospital do the other parents need to sign a refusal of service documents for their children. There are some policies out there but they do not effectively meet the needs or concerns of EMS providers.

SCEMSA is in the process of coming up with a Strategic Planning session. They want to be able to look at future needs and make a plan on what steps are necessary to meet those needs. Long term goals will also be implemented into a grant strategy that will be presented to the riverboats to promote a more proactive and less reactive grant application process.

Denny reported that the Physician Advisory Bi-Annual Board Meeting will be April 2<sup>nd.</sup> Many of the items discussed here will be discussed with them.

#### SCFC Report

Discussion: Scott Roenfeldt

Scott reported the monthly meeting was held at Walcott on March 26<sup>th</sup>. They had a presentation from retired Davenport District Chief Jim Cale. He is now working for 1-800-Boardup. It was presented to them if they are at a scene and the family is displaced if they call 1-800-Boardup they give the family provision for the night and put the family up in a motel and ask nothing back in return. Ron Iossi is part of the organization and was there as well. He is looking to give back to the community as being part of this organization. Ron will be on call 24/7 and will come to the scene and give the family a kit and act as a bridge until the Red Cross arrives. Other discussion at the meeting was they will purchase 4 cooling chairs and accessories to put on the MCIRV and if Buffalo Ambulance cannot locate their misting fan they will purchase one as well. The next meeting will be May 28 at the Scott County Health Department.

#### **Education Report**

Discussion: Jamie Temple/Steve Wearth/Chuck Gipson

Jamie reported the new Educational Standards will be rolled out on April 8<sup>th</sup> in Des Moines with new text books and curriculum. There is a Fire Incident Safety Officer class at Riverdale on May 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>. Chuck reported an EVOC course which will be held on the north side of the old CAT plant.

#### Law Enforcement Report

Discussion: Orville Randolph

Orville reported they had a 2 day Active Shooter Training in Tipton. It was very educational.

## SIP, LEPC, and Other Agency Reports

Discussion: Denny Coon/Jon Ellstrom

SIP started with 26 initial partners and is currently at 150 partners in two years. They are trying to make SIP self sufficient as funding will be going away. They are looking at funding from state agencies and corporate sponsors.

## **Special Populations Initiative**

Discussion: Denny Coon

The GIS Department at Scott County is in the process of purchasing software developed by the CDC for special populations tracking. Initially they are going to enter the special populations Ross receives in regards to the Nuclear Power Plant into the system. They will then build off of that. At some point Stephanie Macuga, Scott County GIS will come to a TAC meeting to demo the software.

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