

Minutes

EMS Technical Advisory Committee

Friday, September 25, 2009
8:30 AM
MEDIC EMS
Lower Level Conference Room
1204 High Street
Davenport

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Decker Ploehn, Chairman

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Regular Monthly Meeting

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Attendees: Paul Andorf, Walt Bradley, Shawn Belk, Mary Briones, Kara Carruthers, Dennis Coon, Gloria Fitzpatrick, Mark Frese, Chuck Gipson, Kevin Greenley, Mark Guthrie, Dave Helfrich, Brian Hitchcock, Gloria Isham, Phil Jones, Dave Kelly, Steve Knorrek, Dave Layton, Nita Ludwig, Stephanie Macuga, Jeff Means, Adam Meuser, Trent Mull, Steffan Nass, Decker Ploehn, Greg Rathgeber, Phil Redington, Scott Roenfeldt, Brenda Schwarz, Jerry Shirk, Adam Sowell, Richard Vermeer, Daniel Vosatka, Pam Redpath, Randy Pho

Call to Order-Introductions

Everyone introduced themselves.

Minutes of the July 31 Meeting

Motion to approve the July 31st meeting minutes was seconded and approved unanimously.

GIS Presentation-Stephanie Machuga

Discussion: Stephanie Macuga

Stephanie gave a presentation on the Scott County GIS system. She discussed what it could do to assist the different agencies. She is welcome to ideas or assisting the agencies on information that would be helpful to them in their jobs. Stephanie can be reached at 328-4150.

Homeland Security/EMA Report

Discussion: Jerry Shirk

Several months ago a Steering Committee was established to create an Incident Management Team. They help mitigate incidents. An agreement is out on the Illinois side and they would like to include the Iowa side.

SECC Report

Discussion: Brian Hitchcock

The building RFP went out at the end of August and bids are due back by the contractors on October 6th. A recommendation will be made to the SECC Board on October 8th. They are currently in contract negotiations with a computer dispatch records management system of which GIS is a part of. Radio installs continue. Brian passed around a portable radio. RACOM is still in the process of updating the system out in the field.

H1N1 Community Planning Report

Discussion: Nita Ludwig, Denny Coon, Dr. Bradley

Nita reported that information is still changing rapidly. They should receive vaccine mid-October. Currently 64 providers have preregistered with the Illinois Department of Public Health to administer the vaccine in addition to the Rock Island Health Department. Rock Island and Scott County are working together on educational material, public information messages and their websites to convey a unified message. The PIO group is involved as well in formulating a comprehensive, unified message. Nita added that Scott and Rock Island County are working together to create a weekly Partner Update as well. Denny reported that the Iowa Department of Public Health has developed the 4 Pillars of Planning. They are Communication and Education, Mitigation, Surveillance and Vaccination. Several presentations have been made to area businesses, preschools, schools and agencies comparing seasonal flu to basic H1N1. Hand sanitizers have been purchased and distributed to the schools. Selected area businesses have agreed to report absenteeism and symptoms each week and the pharmacies are going to report anti viral use. The schools currently report absenteeism and symptoms.

Dr. Bradley added that ages 10 to adult will only need one shot and children under will need two. CDC is recommending N95 masks while WHO is recommending N95 masks only if someone is spraying.

Hospital Planning Report

Discussion: Dave Kelly, Trent Mull

Dave reported that Genesis is planning for different scenarios in preparation for H1N1. The seasonal flu vaccine will be mandatory for all Genesis employees.

Trent added they are currently in the planning process and Trinity is mandating that all employees receive the seasonal flu vaccine as well.

Public Health Planning Report

Discussion: Nita Ludwig, Denny Coon

Denny reported they are in the process of finalizing their work plan and surveying the medical community to update their distribution list to better communicate with the medical community effectively.

Nita added they are updating their database as well and have expanded it to include other agencies. They are also working with the Incident Management Team to help them with the organizational structure of the various teams they have.

SCEMSA/QM Report

Discussion: Paul Andorf

Paul reported that Genesis is going to allow 15 to 30 seconds of communication by the ambulance personnel to the trauma team when bringing in a patient. They are in the process of revising the Scott County First Responder form.

A presentation was given by State Trooper Dan Loussaert on highway safety management. Two missing fans have been ordered for the MCRV vehicle. January there is a Strategic Planning meeting planned.

Scott County Fire Chiefs Report

Discussion: Scott

Scott reported for the fall grant cycle nine departments put in for grants totaling \$70,000. Blue Grass Fire is going to have an Open House on November 14th. Next meeting November 19th at Medic.

Education Report

Discussion: Mary Briones, Kevin Greenley

The college will be offering a PALS Instructor class November 30th and ACLS Instructor Class December 1st. An Iowa EMS Evaluator Update will be held October 13th and Iowa EMS Instructor Update October 7th.

Kevin Greenley added a CPR collation has been created. They are looking at King County and their theories and thought processes to find a way to get a huge community initiative to learn CPR in the Quad Cities.

Other Agency Reports

Discussion: Steffan Nass

With the recent bomb plot at the Springfield Federal Building, Steffan reminded the group how close to home it really is. He brought "Indicators and Warnings for Homemade Explosives" books for any agency interested.

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