

Governor's EMS/Trauma Advisory Council (GETAC) Disaster / Emergency Preparedness Committee

Wednesday, August 20, 2014, 9:00 – 10:30 am, Crowne Plaza Hotel, Austin Texas

Meeting Minutes

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I. Call to Order / Roll Call	Eric Epley, chair, called the August 20, 2014 GETAC Disaster / Emergency Preparedness Committee meeting to order at 9:00 am. Roll call was done. Quorum confirmed. Introductions were done. Minutes from May 2014 meeting were reviewed and approved. Review list server email list if you would like to be added to the group, contact michelle.montgomery@strac.org .	Quorum Confirmed. Minutes Approved.	Eric Epley Michelle Montgomery																														
II. Members Present	<table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="text-align: center;"><u>Committee Member</u></th> <th style="text-align: center;"><u>Agency</u></th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr><td>Eric Epley</td><td>STRAC</td></tr> <tr><td>Tim Berry</td><td>UMC Lubbock EMS</td></tr> <tr><td>Gwen Campbell</td><td>Northwest Texas Healthcare System</td></tr> <tr><td>Brad Goudie</td><td>League City Fire Department</td></tr> <tr><td>Wanda Helgesen</td><td>BorderRac</td></tr> <tr><td>Emily Kidd</td><td>San Antonio EMS</td></tr> <tr><td>Robbie Kirk</td><td>Citizens Medical Center</td></tr> <tr><td>Mitch Moriber</td><td>Emergency Physician</td></tr> <tr><td>Sharon Nalls</td><td>Houston OEM</td></tr> <tr><td>Ira Nemeth</td><td>Baylor College of Medicine</td></tr> <tr><td>Rene Perez</td><td>South Texas Emergency care Foundation Inc</td></tr> <tr><td>Ricky Reeves</td><td>City of Lewisville Fire Dept</td></tr> <tr><td>Kenneth Webb</td><td>East Texas Medical Center Hospital</td></tr> <tr><td>Micah Wilson</td><td>Air Evac Lifeteam</td></tr> </tbody> </table>	<u>Committee Member</u>	<u>Agency</u>	Eric Epley	STRAC	Tim Berry	UMC Lubbock EMS	Gwen Campbell	Northwest Texas Healthcare System	Brad Goudie	League City Fire Department	Wanda Helgesen	BorderRac	Emily Kidd	San Antonio EMS	Robbie Kirk	Citizens Medical Center	Mitch Moriber	Emergency Physician	Sharon Nalls	Houston OEM	Ira Nemeth	Baylor College of Medicine	Rene Perez	South Texas Emergency care Foundation Inc	Ricky Reeves	City of Lewisville Fire Dept	Kenneth Webb	East Texas Medical Center Hospital	Micah Wilson	Air Evac Lifeteam	Participation.	Michelle Montgomery
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III. EMTF AMBUS Video	Group viewed the EMTF AMBUS video that was produced by the SAFD Training division on their own dime. Thank you Chief Joe Jones and Chief Hood and the SAFD Training Division. Mr. Epley thanked those who are participating in EMTF and for	Accepted as information.	Eric Epley																														

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WORKGROUP REPORTS			
IV. TDMS	<p>TDMS report, Dr. Emily Kidd Workgroups: Dr. Kidd informed the group that the TDMS Steering committee is focusing on workgroup product. MOC and Regional Public Health and Medical group have continued to define MOC structure throughout the state and continue their work on the TDMS Overview document.</p> <p>Resource Typing Workgroup- Typing ESF8 teams across state. Working on disaster behavioral health.</p> <p>Mass Fatality Management -workgroup has made amazing leaps and strides. The TMORT team concept has been vetted throughout state and everyone is on board. Looking to more TMORT to a university setting. Finalized Mass Fatality training for RAT/CAT training. Working on new charge to work on Crisis standards of care.</p> <p>Medical Counter Measures workgroup is working on survey for medical counter measures. Dr. Kidd encouraged committee to participate in survey.</p> <p>Responder Health and Safety- Predeployment screening for responders in austere environments. Exposure protocols for responders in austere environments. Post deployment issues and tracking longterm health, mental health issues post deployment. Rehab for responders is a topic that needs further discussion at EMTF. Dr. Kidd asked the committee to bring concerns to Dr. McGraw or Elizabeth Barney. Committee discussion: predeployment screening criteria, suggested practices, educate responders of austere environment, liability when regulating responders, check with personnel health insurance carriers for coverage out of state.</p> <p>Crisis Standards of Care-State has organized a panel and advisory group to develop a guidance document. Four major areas of focus: EMS, Hospitals, Alternate Care Sites, State and Local government. Bruce Clements asked for feedback on workgroup members or if interested to participate. Eric Epley encouraged EMS to engage in the</p>	Accepted as information.	Dr. Emily Kidd

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V. EMTF Workgroup Report	<p>EMTF Governance Report, Victor Wells</p> <p>The AMBUS has traveled to the Valley and Capitol for legislatures to learn about EMTF project. Local Response with EMTF 11 for the Border crisis. This will transition to Salvation Army tentage.</p> <p>EMTF 9 coordinator Steve Surface reengineered a fish pump to keep tents inflated for longer periods of time. EMTF will continue to succeed by sharing these best practices from each EMTF region.</p> <p>A notifications list has been created that will be refreshed every 24 hours for notifications of significant events.</p> <p>EMTF Air Medical MOA has been signed by the following agencies: Airevac EMS, Reach/Methodist Aircare, ETMC Air 1, San Antonio Airlife, CareFlite. Mr. Epley stated that there is no obligation to respond by signing the MOA but this will ensure those that do respond will be reimbursed.</p> <p>Every region has at least 2 MSAT radios that are functioning and can be used for communication. EMTF MSATs are monitored 24/7 on interagency.</p> <p>TDMS is now hosting the list-serv for all AMBUS owners in the U.S. Texas is now leading the nation</p> <p>Dudley Wait informed the committee that maps are being built to identify AMBUSes in the nation and response times based on staging in San Antonio. There will be a 2-day preconference for the 1st National AMBUS Users group to meet at the EMS conference in Ft. Worth on Nov 22-23, 2014. Sartin Services has gone out of business and have informed all AMBUS owners. We have the nationwide list to communicate with other AMBUS owners and are looking at alternate vendors to maintain AMBUSes.</p>	Accepted as information.	Victor Wells
VI. Legislative Update	<p>Working with TETAF for core funding for EMTF program. Eric Epley encouraged the committee to speak with legislatures about the EMTF program for legislatures to make a connection back home.</p>	Accepted as information.	Eric Epley
VII. Power Grid/Electromagnetic Pulse/Loss of	<p>Power Grid/Electromagnetic Pulse/Loss of Infrastructure will be discussed at the November GETAC D/EP meeting.</p>	Accepted as information.	ERCOT

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IX. RHMOC	Deployments are occurring in various stages. All RHMOCS are up and running.	Accepted as Information	Eric Epley
X. General Public Comment	Item was not discussed.	Accepted as information.	Eric Epley
XI. Summary for GETAC Meeting	'Summary for GETAC Meeting' was tabled.	'Summary for GETAC Meeting' tabled.	Eric Epley
XII. Announcements	No new announcements were made.	Accepted as information.	Eric Epley
XIII. Review and list agenda items for next meeting	Prioritize next steps Mr. Epley asked that the committee send suggestions for next steps to eric.epley@strac.org <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Power grid/EMP/ Loss of Infrastructure ▪ Long range planning and funding to grow EMTF, not just sustain. ▪ Core reliable funding for hospitals to respond to disasters. ▪ State guidance for preparation of internal disasters continuity of operations 	Accepted as information.	Eric Epley
XIV. Next Meeting Date	Next meeting date: November 22, 2014 at the EMS Conference in Ft. Worth.	Accepted as information.	Eric Epley
XV. Adjournment	Eric Epley adjourned the August 20, 2014 GETAC Disaster / Emergency Preparedness Committee meeting at 10:30 am.	Meeting adjourned.	Eric Epley

Respectfully Submitted,

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