

EMS Emergency Management Committee Meeting
OEMS, 1041 Technology Park Drive, Glen Allen, VA
July 29, 2010
10:00 a.m.

Members Present:	OEMS Staff:	Guests:
Bubby Bish , Chairman	Winnie Pennington	
Michael Player , VFCA/YCFLS	Karen Owens	
Melinda Duncan , NVEMS Regional Council	Wanda Street	
Steve Ennis , VHHA	Frank Cheatham	
	Jim Nogle	
	Gary Brown	

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Call to order:	The meeting was called to order by Mr. Bish at 10:06 a.m.	
Review & Approval of the April 29, 2010 and the June 22, 2010 Minutes:	A motion was made to review and approve the minutes.	The minutes were approved as submitted.
Committee Chair Report – Bubby Bish:	<p>a. Advisory Board Information The next advisory board meeting is August 13, 2010 at 1:00 p.m. at the Perimeter Center.</p> <p>Melinda asked if there was an opening on the committee for a provider. She recommended Easton Preston for the position. The Chair and the committee agreed that he would be a great asset to the committee as an ad hoc member.</p> <p>Steve spoke briefly about the Officer Standards that will be discussed at the Advisory Board meeting. His concern is the requirement of being able to operate during a mass casualty event. Karen stated that MCI Module 1 would definitely need to be completed in EMT Basic in order to serve in a mass casualty event.</p> <p>Steve also expressed that there are some operational issues with the Officer Standards that need to be ironed out. Karen advised him to discuss those issues at the upcoming Advisory Board meeting since this is being handled by another committee.</p>	
Emergency Operations Division Report:	A handout was given of the Emergency Operations report. The committee was encouraged to read over it and ask questions.	

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	 <p>Quarterly August 2010 (3).doc</p> <p>Bubby asked how the Jamboree was going. Frank replied that the Jamboree is going well. OEMS has not been requested for anything but is standing by if needed. Dan Norville of Norfolk Fire & Rescue is there to keep OEMS abreast of any major incidents. It is expected that everything will go smooth and if anything major happens it will be handled within the camp. Jim and Frank voiced concerns about the Boy Scout Jamboree being held in West Virginia.</p>	
<p>Member Reports:</p>	<p>Mike Player, VA-1 DMAT – Mike has some suggestions from the TEMS/PEMS Mass Casualty Committee for the next version of the trauma triage tags. Karen said that this will not be visited for another year, based on the current stock and recent order of the tags. The first suggestion is the name – changing it to Trauma Treatment Tag to emphasize that this is not just a triage tag, it is also a record. There are a number of other suggestions for fields such as contamination, decon, family members present, no apparent injuries, wheelchair/mobility, hearing/visual impairment, assistance animal, preferred language. Another suggestion is bar coding to include a detachable arm bracelet. Karen suggested that this topic be discussed at the next meeting and also to keep in mind that the name change would have to go through the Regulation and Compliance Division and the Attorney General’s office for legislative changes.</p> <p>Melinda Duncan, NVEMS Regional Council – Patient tracking system should be available August 1 pending funding. For now it is for pre-hospital EMS events, eventually it will be used in health departments, surveillance, surveys, etc. The system is the same as the one that Baltimore is using.</p> <p>Steve Ennis, VHHA – VHHA is gathering information on Medevac helicopter pad sizes and it is their hope that the hospitals will provide the information within the next thirty days. VHHA is working on the year end profiles. Also, working with VDEM to ensure that all the operational information from the hospitals is included in Virginia Interoperability Picture for Emergency Response (VIPER). The 211 system in Virginia has been completed. The hospitals have the ability to input patient information and training has begun. He expects that it will be several months before the public is notified about it. The Public Safety Interoperability Communications (PSIC) grant was discussed at the last Communications meeting and a survey was done showing that a lot of hospitals did not have HEAR radio frequencies. He feels that the outcome to have all hospitals using this system will not be achieved due to a change of scope in the project. The change of scope is to use SyTech Radio Inter Operability System (RIOS) units in some hospitals. This system relies on the internet. Some hospitals will still have HEAR radios and some will use upgraded UHF signals.</p>	<p>Karen suggested that this topic is added to the agenda for the October meeting.</p>
<p>Old Business:</p>	<p>a. Review of MCI II Module – Karen Owens In the interest of time, it was decided by the committee, to work on the MCI modules during a scheduled work session on September 1, 2010.</p>	<p>Work session scheduled for September 1, 2010 at 9:30 a.m.</p>

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New Business:	<p>Symposium registration will begin Monday, August 2, 2010 online. A mass email will be sent out. Some items have been scaled back such as the food and drinks during breaks. There will not be a banquet this year. It will be an informal reception on Saturday evening with heavy hors d'oeuvres.</p> <p>Gary said that the EMS Quarterly Report will go out electronically on Monday.</p> <p>Bring trauma triage tags and ideas to the October meeting.</p>	
Next Scheduled Meeting:	The next work session is at 9:30 a.m. Wednesday, September 1, 2010 at 1041 Technology Park Drive and the next regular meeting will be Thursday, October 28, 2010 at 10:00 a.m., same location.	Feel free to bring your lunch.
Adjournment:	The meeting adjourned at 11:35 p.m.	

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