

**EMS Emergency Management Committee Meeting
Virginia Office of EMS
Courtyard by Marriott
10077 Brook Road, Glen Allen, VA 23059
February 4, 2016
9:30 a.m.**

Members Present:	Members Absent:	OEMS Staff:	Guests:
Chief David Hoback , Chair	Jack King	Connie Green	Gary Critzer
Easton Peterson , Health & Medical Emergency Response Teams (HMERT)	Bob Mauskapf	Winnie Pennington	Chris Parker
Mike Player , VFCA/PEMS	Steve Ennis	Wanda Street	John H. Craig, VAVRS
Bubby Bish , VAVRS	Adam Galton	Karen Owens	Kim Craig, VAVRS
Morris Reece , VHHA	Judy Shuck		Brett Burdick, VDEM
Damien Coy , ODEMSA	Sam Dahl		
Michelle Oblinsky , VEMA			
Bryan McRay , ODEMSA			
Kelly Parker , VDH, Emergency Preparedness			

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Call to order:	The meeting was called to order at 9:32 a.m.	
Review & Approval of the November 11, 2015 minutes:	A motion was made to review and approve the November minutes. The motion was moved by Bubby Bish and seconded by Michael Player. The minutes were approved as submitted.	The minutes were approved as submitted.
Introduction of Guests and New Committee Members:	Everyone around the room introduced themselves.	
Committee Chair Report – Chief David Hoback:	Chief Hoback did not have any updates to report at this time.	
Committee Member Reports:	<i>(All committee member reports must be submitted to the committee in writing before or at the scheduled meeting).</i> Winnie has received no reports.	
Presentation (s) (as scheduled):	VDEM’s Reorganization – Brett Burdick Mr. Burdick explained the new structure of VDEM. The new organization chart and the 2015-2016 Strategic Roadmap for Emergency Management in Virginia are attached below:  VDEM Reorganization 2015.pdf Mr. Burdick also incorporated into his presentation the video by Dr. Jeff Stern that explains the reorganization	

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	<p>in more detail. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LvA9-DxjcXw</p> <p>NOVAEMS Patient Tracking – Easton Peterson</p> <p> MCI- Electronic Pt. Tracking NOVA.pdf</p> <p>Easton explained that it is important to use this tracking system for the right events such as Patient Exit Points (PEP), MEDCOMM and Transport Recorder working together (under Transportation Group Supervisor) and at the hospital (arrival or thereafter) to update vitals, add photos, etc.</p> <p>The first project was started around 2001 or 2002 in Prince Georges County, but was not sustained. The second project of this type was started in 2008 for a regional patient tracking system. The current system has been in use for about two years. It was designed to follow the same flow as a triage tag. There are many problems with manual patient tracking during an MCI event. Good records are not kept as to where a patient has been transferred. They get lost. An electronic patient tracking system is better at tracking the whereabouts of patients. Patient accountability is why NOVA is doing this. Easton explained the problems that occur with the device and the interaction with the system in Maryland and Washington, DC. The system was obtained through a UASI grant.</p> <p>Kelly stated that the Northern VA system does integrate with VHAS. However, the hospitals are still doing manual input and still trying to integrate HL7 data feeds. The hospital IT departments are working on this and is piloting it in several hospitals. This is still a work in progress.</p> <p>Chief Hoback asked what steps would be needed to get the electronic patient tracking system in other areas. Karen explained that funding may be an issue. A special grant may have to be initiated for this. She suggested finding a grant that the Office of EMS could apply for to fund this system after we figure out how much funding would be needed based on the number of units needed at each agency.</p> <p>Chief Hoback stated that the network connectivity is the expensive part. How do we make the infrastructure available and let the individual agencies come on board as an option? Karen stated that we can try, but it will be met with roadblocks. Chief Hoback would like OEMS to look into it. He is interested in knowing from the vendor, what the software costs are. Easton will check on software costs.</p> <p>Chief Hoback asked if the committee wants to form a study group on this tracking system. He will send out an email to the committee to see who would like to be on this group. Mike Player is interested in the study group. Bubby Bish will also join the group.</p>	
Unfinished Business:	<p>Update on Model Uniform Core Criteria (MUCC) – Karen Owens</p> <p>The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) is doing some pilot and training programs with MUCC. Per Karen, other States are not aware of this. This is still on hold until there are some definite plans from the Federal Government to roll with MUCC. MCI I & II is still being used and the triage tags will remain</p>	

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New Business:	Karen stated that anyone who receives payment from the Commonwealth for travel reimbursement (Form 1) or other contract services (Form 2) has to register with EVA. The paperwork is available today so that you may receive payment.	
Other Comments/Questions:	Bubby introduced John Craig and Kim Craig, President of VAVRS.	
Next Scheduled Meeting:	The next meeting is May 5, 2016 at 9:30 a.m. at the Courtyard by Marriott, Glen Allen, VA.	
Adjournment:	The meeting adjourned at approximately 10:55 a.m.	

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