



**Rappahannock EMS Council
Disaster Committee Meeting
Tuesday, August 5, 2014 at 1:00 pm at REMS Council Office**

Members Present

Mark Garnett, Chair
Anne Meele
Tom McCoy (via Conf. Call)
Scott Hudson (via Conf. Call)
R. Wayne Green
Jake Marshall (via Conf. Call)

Staff Support

Carolyn Marsh

Excused

Victor Podbielski
William Hart

Guest

Meeting was called to order by Mark Garnett, chairperson.

Approval of Minutes

June 10, 2014 minutes were approved by a majority.

Agency Report

Attending agencies offered local updates and reports to the committee.

Old Business

The Committee continued its discussion on ways to increase awareness of the regional MCI plan and RHCC concept. The following initiatives will be pursued: 1) Promote the digital installation of the MCI plan and supporting documents on ambulance laptops; 2) Jake Marshall will develop and narrate a training program on the MCI and Surge Plans -- This will be available online for agency/provider use; 3) Promote the recommended MCI equipment as outlined in the plan.

New Business

None

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at approximately 1:55 pm.

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on October 7, 2014 at 1330 at the REMS office, classroom A.

Meeting minutes
REMS Disaster Committee Meeting
7 October 2014

Attendees signed in.

Welcome by Carol Shelton, standing-in for Mark Garnett.

Introductions by all attendees

Meeting minutes were adopted from August 5, 2014 meeting

Regional Reports

- Mr. McCoy - UVA Health Systems now operates the Culpeper Hospital (minus the wellness or business portion).
- Mr. Green – Culpeper Airfest at Culpeper Regional Airport, October 13, 2014, will be held from 9-4 pm. 2,000 to 3,000 people expected to attend.
- Stafford – October 18, Wings & Wheels – Stafford Rotary
- Regional Council – Need to plan a drill to satisfy MCI deliverables with OEMS.
- Mary Washington Hospital – November 12 chempak.
- VDH – Vaccination drill/s – November 7 at Culpeper Hospital; 29 and 30 October at Fauquier Hospital and 3 other locations. Testing their quick dispensing protocol.
- State Fair – Mass vaccinations on October 14, 2014 to 400 people.
- Jake Marshall provided a written update because he was unable to attend the meeting. Jake will be attending the NWS EM Conf in October 2014. New personnel alerting system in place at Spotsylvania Regional Medical Center. We welcome Jake to provide updates to his notes at the December 2, 2014 meeting.

Dr. Rossheim provided a very thorough presentation on Ebola and Enterovirus - specifically for first responders. Handouts were distributed. We appreciate the abundance of valuable information! (Handouts are attached).

Next Meeting 2 December 2014.

Submitted by Carol Shelton, Emergency Planner, Marine Corps Base Quantico, Operations Division, 703-784-0648, carol.shelton@usmc.mil

Meeting minutes
REMS Disaster Committee Meeting
December 2, 2014

Attendees included: Mr. Jonathon Kaiser (Rappahannock Area VDH), Mr. Andy Holden (Mary Washington Hospital Emergency Management); Ms. Carolyn Marsh (REMS); Ms. Carol Shelton (MCBQ).

-Call to Order at 1:45 p.m by Carol Shelton

-Welcome to attendees

-Introductions by attendees

-Meeting minutes were adopted from October 2014 meeting

-Regional Reports

- MWH - 1) significant discussion at MWH on Ebola education at all three emergency departments. PPE has been ordered and some received so far – expect complete PPE supply by end of February 2015. 2) 12 November 2014 chempak drill went well by exercising medicine to the field. 3) 18 December 2014 is EMS Night Out @ MWH Fick Center. 4) Suggest adding chempak language to MCI plan – Andy Holden to provide suggested language to Mark Garnett prior to annual review finalization (ACTION ITEM).
- Spotsylvania Regional Medical Center - Jake Marshall provided updates by email prior to meeting: 1) calendar 2014 drill critique have been finalized; EVD Preparedness training is still underway as new guidelines are promulgated and new PPE becomes available; currently working on EOP revision.
- MCBQ – MCBQ will be having an exercise on December 18, 2014 that will exercise contacting regional support. If Mark Garnett requires a REMS Disaster Committee member to attend drill and validate the use of the MCI Plan, please contact Carol Shelton as soon as possible and provide name of attendee (ACTION ITEM).
- Rappahannock Area VDH – provide current Ebola update within the region.

-New Business: Annual review of the MCI Plan, who will be tasked with reviewing it? (ACTION ITEM – MARK GARNETT)

-There was no further business and the meeting was adjourned at 2:20 p.m.

-The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 3, 2015 at 1:30 p.m. at the REMS Office.

Submitted by Carol Shelton, Emergency Planner, Marine Corps Base Quantico, Operations Division,
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Meeting Minutes
REMS Disaster Committee Meeting
February 3, 2015

Welcome by Andy Holden, standing-in for Mark Garnett.

Meeting minutes were adopted from December 2014 meeting

Regional Reports

- Mary Washington Healthcare – Andy
 - Working on action items from the Chempack Drill
 - Ebola preparation efforts are still underway
 - Marine Corps Marathon upcoming
- Quantico Marine Corps Base – Carol
 - Base Exercise Calendar has been released for 2015
 - Tabletop exercise scheduled for May 6th
 - Full-scale exercise scheduled for September 10th – C17 fire simulation – MCI
- Spotsylvania County has expressed interest in conducting MCI drill in the Spring/Summer. More to come.
- King George – no updates
- Rappahannock Area Health District – Jonathan
 - Post-arrival active monitoring program continues for travelers from countries with widespread Ebola transmission
 - Measles outbreak occurring in parts of US. No cases in Virginia at this time.
- Culpeper County – Warren Jenkins is now the Emergency Services Coordinator
- Spotsylvania Volunteer Fire Department – no updates
- Fredericksburg – Victor
 - EOC upgrades are underway. Improving communications capabilities.
 - FredAlert system is switching vendors to Everbridge. Plan is to go live with the new system in March.
 - Polar Bear Plunge event is this Saturday.
 - Marine Corps Marathon preparations
 - Germanna Community College graduation on 5/14
 - Alabama concert on 5/30
 - Nine approved walks/races upcoming in the city
 - Radio study underway to replace current system

Old Business

- MCI Plan Review
 - Chempack additions to the MCI Plan were approved by the committee for recommendation to the Board

- Chempack algorithm to be updated. Change VDH phone number in last box to 866-531-3068. (24/7 after-hours call service)
- Annex D: Hospital Information needs to be updated. Christina will send to Mark Garnett.

New Business

- VDEM Region 2 Exercise (simultaneous mass shootings)
 - AAR Item – Training on MCI Plan Needed
 - Disaster Committee recommends forwarding to Training and Guidelines Committee recommendation to evaluate opportunities to improve MCI plan awareness and training
- Surge Plan
 - Approved by Committee without changes

Other Items / Good of the Order

- Culpeper has RFP going out for EMT instructor for 2 classes per year

Next Meeting April 7, 2015

Submitted by Jonathan Kiser, Emergency Coordinator, Rappahannock Area Health District

Meeting Minutes
REMS Disaster Committee Meeting
April 7, 2015

Welcome by Jake Marshall, for Mark Garnett

Meeting minutes were adopted from February 2015 Meeting

Regional Reports

- Fredericksburg – Victor
 - EOC Upgrades are complete, monitors all around EOC. Can be more electronic and also have more radios
 - FXBG alert has switched over to Everbridge as of April 1st. A few hiccups but they are working through it.
 - Numerous events coming up. MC Historic Half and walks and runs.
 - Concert on 15th of May
 - May be big
 - Band Alabama coming weekend after MC Marathon
 - Will be very large concert
 - Bands Heart and Chris Young bands also coming to town.
 - Still working on radio study

- Quantico Marine Corps Base – Carol
 - TTX on May 6
 - Full Scale cancelled
 - Wounded Warrior Games 18 June to 20 June approx.
 - 100,000+ coming potentially
 - New Fire and Police Dispatch Center in the works, not finalized
 - 11 months more until Carol retires!

- Culpeper – Tom
 - Thursday, Regional NW Region TTX with UVA
 - Will be large Evac exercise

- Red Cross – Stephanie
 - Stephanie is replacing Ben as new Disaster Program Manager

- SRMC – Jake
 - Gamma Ray portals finally online in EMS Vestibule

- Mass Decon Portico taken OOS partially by snow plows over winter. Working on preparing
 - EVD still high priority for Corporate as well as Division
 - Attempting to still have monthly exercises
 - Encourage all area agencies to please use RHCC, even for 10 patient smaller wrecks. 10 patients is cutoff for NVHA RHCC activation trigger. More frequent use allows for better efficiency in larger scale MCIs
- Old business
 - None reported
- New Business
 - Annual Review of Regional EMS Diversion Plan
 - Carolyn – “Mary Washington Free Standing ED”
 - Needs to change to “Lee’s Hill Emergency Department”
 - Approved by committee as amended.
 - Carolyn – Review of Committee Meeting Effectiveness and Participation
 - How can we improve?
 - Victor
 - Many members on committee part of Regional Emergency Management Committee which meets the same day and travels in each jurisdiction once per year
 - Will find out if REMS Contract would accept reduction of meeting frequency to a quarterly meeting
 - Carol – Suggestion to add educational opportunities for the meeting to increase attendance
 - Will revisit with Committee Chair and Board to determine path forward.

Respectfully submitted,

Jake Marshall