



**REGIONAL HOMELAND SECURITY  
HOSPITAL SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING  
January 26, 2011  
SUMMARY**

*Present (according to sign-in sheet):*

**Elmer Bellefy**, Research Belton  
**Gary Christian**, Saint Luke's South  
**Shirley Clesson**, Children's Mercy Hospital  
**Derek Collins**, North Kansas City Hospital  
**Jenni Fleming**, Cass Regional Medical Center  
**Janet Giesing**, St. John's Hospital  
**Karen Hicks**, Olathe Medical Center  
**Steve Hoeger**, MO-1 DMAT  
**Becky Kobler**, Cushing Hospital  
**Mike Kruger**, Carondelet Health  
**Bonnie Martin**, Kansas City Public Health

**Gary Martin**, University of Kansas Hospital  
**Bruce McFarland**, Children's Mercy Hospital  
**Randy Moberg**, Lee's Summit Medical Center  
**April Montrey**, University of Kansas Hospital  
**Tom Morgan**, North Kansas City Hospital  
**David Schemenauer**, St. Luke's Hospital  
**Joni Schwan**, Excelsior Springs Hospital  
**Matthew Soule**, Children's Mercy Hospital  
**Steve Williams**, Truman Medical Center

**Others Present:**

**Sharon White-Lewis**, EPIC Surgery Center  
**Alisha Griswold**, Johnson County Health Department  
**Ken Cope**, American Red Cross

**MARC Staff:** Dan Manley, Mike Hicks, Kristine Martin, Bill McCabe and Tanya Kraatz

**1. Introductions and Approval of Summary**

Matthew Soule welcomed everyone and self introductions were made. The meeting summary from November was approved as presented.

**2. American Red Cross Patient Locator – Ken Cope**

Ken Cope with the American Red Cross presented the patient locator system that has been developed to assist in reuniting families in an emergency event. Mr. Cope advised that during a declare emergency, the Patient locator system will be exempt from HIPPA rules, this will enable the volunteers to release information on individuals. The System works in conjunction with EMSsystems' EMTrack. Mr. Cope advised that each participating facility will need to sign a MOU. They hope to test the system during the National Level Exercise.

**3. HVA 2011**

Matthew Soule asked that each facility review their HVA and submit the 2011 to Tanya Kraatz by February 14, 2011.

**4. Equipment Update**

MED/POD

Dan Manley discussed the issues that lead to the decision to not renew the contract with NexGenisys for the MED/POD system. Mr. Manley reported that the renewal statement was received and the fee was significantly higher than originally expected. Mr. Manley advised that there remain a few facilities that wish to continue with the system that will need to be

done directly with NexGenisys. Dan Manley reviewed the process which those facilities not continue MED/POD will need to follow to disband their systems. If you have any questions please contact Dan Manley.

Alisha Griswold spoke to the system that Johnson County Public Health is in the process of completing to manage mass dispensing within Johnson County.

The few hospitals that have attempted to contact NexGenisys discussed the trouble they have had receiving a response. Concern was raised regarding using several different dispensing systems.

Dan Manley advised that there is \$75,000 set aside for the MED/POD licensing and agreement. MARC staff will be looking for direction on reallocating those funds.

A Mass Dispensing workgroup was formed and a meeting set for February 16, 2011 at 1:00 p.m.

#### Amateur Radio

Bill McCabe reported that the remaining Ham Radio equipment was inventoried and there remains enough equipment to create 5 amateur radio go kits for Missouri Hospitals. A Survey is being developed to determine if the equipment is needed elsewhere prior to creating these go kits. Look for that survey.

Gary Martin advised that the Kansas Hospitals are well equipped and the remaining antenna is being installed following a reconstruction project at the receiving hospital. If Kansas Hospital have any concern about their equipment please contact Matt May.

### **5. Committees**

**TEW-** Bill Stewart discussed the recent terror bombing in Russia and advised the United States could be raising the threat.

**MARCER-** Mike Hicks discussed the MARCER Radio project for Hospital Emergency rooms and Ambulances. This project will make all the radios' P25 compliant. All ambulance radios are being replaced and all Emergency Room radios will need to be re-banded. Mr. Hicks advised that once the transition starts that both the new and old systems and talk groups will be kept operational until the transition is complete.

Mike Hicks advised that the MARCER Time Critical Diagnosis Community Plan was approved at the last MARCER meeting. The next step in the implantation process is to update the Diversion Plan a meeting is planned for February 21, 2011 to meet with the area Emergency Room Department Nursing Managers.

**LEPC-** Erin Lynch discussed the joint workshop held with LEPC and MEMC where they began the work in developing new evacuation guides for Emergency Management.

**MEMC-** Working on Safety City being held February 11-13, 2011 during the Home remodeling show held at the American Royal building.

### **6. Training and Exercise Updates**

Public Health Exercise - Kristine Martin reviewed the letters and notices that have been sent out to the various facilities that have indicated they will be participating in the Public Health Exercise. Dan Manley asked that everyone respond to the communications to assist in the planning process.

National Exercise - It was reported that the NDMS will be activated during the National Exercise; there will be a reception center and patient tracking at Wheeler Downtown Airport.

## **7. Other Business**

**Intruder Training** – Dan Manley discussed the proposal for the active shooter training the Missouri Hospital Association is working on hosting at the Research Brookside facility, April 27-28.

**HazMat** -. The Missouri Hospital Association has a vendor that they are contracting with to provide HazMat training. The HazMat training for Hospitals has been placed on the Training and Exercise Calendar, and will most likely occur during the last half of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter. Please watch for the training announcement.

**Ambulatory Surgery Centers** – Dan Manley advised that there is a workgroup under the Hospital Committee specifically for Ancillary facilities. This workgroup meets quarterly. However, the last scheduled meetings there were no participants. We are looking at rescheduling the meeting. There was discussion on a presentation during the next meeting on what services they can provide and how the Ambulatory Surgery Centers can fit into the emergency planning activities.

**Meeting Change** – Dan Manley explained that the Hospital meeting day was changed due to a MARC internal meeting space scheduling issue.

Next Meeting February 23, 2011.

### **Adjournment**

Meeting Adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

### **Handouts**

November 2010 Agenda  
October Summary  
Financial reported ending 10/31/2010  
Letters from Public Health  
Improvement Plan

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