

KET (KNOX EAST TN) REGION HOSPITAL COALITION MEETING

May 10, 2016

2:30

Knox County Health Department

Members/Attendance (attached)

Meeting Minutes

Review of last month's minutes

- Motion to approve as written by Matt Oliver, second by Janet Rowe

Zika Presentation- Roberta Sturm, Knox County Health Department Epidemiologist

HRTS Updates/Switchover

- Timeline for rollout of improved system is August/September 2016. Mental Health and EMS will be added. Plans for adding long term care facilities in the future. TNHAN will also be changing (June/July 2106). Charity will meet with her hospitals today to go over current users. Wanda will mail out to regional hospitals. We want to have most current listing available before the changes go into effect.

Training Attendance Requirement

Recently a survey was sent to members to see how the Coalition wanted to handle recent no shows at a paid training. The response was overwhelming that payment should be reimbursed back to the Coalition for those who do not show up without giving notice to the instructor(notice needs to be given in time for instructor to fill the slot or make considerations for cancelling the class if turnout will be low). This had been the previous stand of the Coalition as well. Because it was not clearly defined in writing that individuals will be held responsible, we will forego the action for this fiscal year. Starting July 1, 2016, anybody who signs up for a paid training will need to (1) be there for the entire scheduled class time, (2) make arrangements for someone to attend in their slot or (3) give the instructor ample notice that they will not be attending so the instructor can fill the slot or make a decision on cancelling class if the attendance is too low. If that is not done, the individual will be held responsible for repayment of their class fees to the KET Coalition.

Budget Discussion

Base Funding

- We currently have 75,000 remaining. Previously it was discussed to order Medsleds, PAPR cartridges and batteries with left over funds. Survey was sent out on how to spend remaining funds. Agreed items for purchase are PAPR batteries, cartridges and N95 masks. Surveys came back inconclusive on how we should split funding. Group was given three options to choose from:
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1. Split money between all 4 projects equally.
 2. EVD funding to purchase N95s, split remaining projects evenly.
 3. EVD funding to purchase N95s, \$19,300 on Medsleds, split remaining money in order to get equal number of cartridges and batteries.
- Group decided to spend 19,300 on Medsleds, use EVD money for N95s, then use remaining funds for cartridges/batteries (3 to 1 cartridge/battery ratio).

EVD Funding

- We have been approved to purchase a Hydrogen Peroxide Sterilization Unit. The cost of the unit/accessories is \$92,078. The unit will be housed at UTMC.
- We have purchased 2 ISO PODS. They are chembio rated. These can be used anywhere and housed centrally. The cost for the two units was 10,648.32. One will be housed at UTMC.
- APIC items have been ordered.

Warehouse Day

We will be available at the storage site for our cache supplies on May 16 from 2:00-4:30. There are Medsleds for distribution and we will also be giving out the evacuation bags that were not picked up at the meeting today. (Each facility gets 2 evacuation bags). There are also air mattresses at the storage site. If you would like to come pick up your items, or just see what is stored, please plan to be there on May 16th. The address is Star Storage: 8337 Gleason Drive Knoxville, TN 37919 (It is located behind Bearden High School). If you are unsure if you have items for pick up, contact your RHC.

HAM/Winlink Testing

- All winlink antennae's are installed, with the exception of Physicians Regional. We were unable to get the programming completed for everyone. We also have some on-going discussions on ancillary supplies for the units in regards to what is specifically needed to make it functional (carts, additional wiring, etc.). We will work on getting more feedback on what is needed for these systems to be operational. We would like to encourage every hospital to participate in the monthly Hospital Net testing. It is done on the 4th Friday of the month. We can get more information to you, if your operator would like.
- We purchased portable HAM radios for those who would like to become certified as operators. This is for hospital staff who would like to become certified. The radio will be given to the participant upon successful completion of the test. We will hold the radios until we can get another class scheduled. The last class was cancelled.

EPFAT

Reminder to complete. If you previously submitted, you may want to go in and recertify/update.

Upcoming Trainings and Meetings

- Department of Energy Exercise (Y-12) June 8
- TNCAT 16 June 22-23 (Red Cross will be doing a MARC-Multi Agency Resource Center)
- HPP Statewide Meeting Workshop (TEPS Conference Jackson, TN) November 15
- TEPS Conference November 16-17
- HPP Conference Washington D.C. December 12-14
- ICS 300 May 24 and 25 KEMA
- ICS 400 June 29,30 KEMA

Other

- UTMC EVD Assessment went well. There were a few recommendations that are being taken into consideration. They will be planning for an upcoming required no-notice exercise.
 - Pain Clinic Regulations. On July 1, there is a new law going to effect that will require more stringent criteria for pain clinics. Some will not meet those requirements and will result in being shut down. This may impact the healthcare community with more patient traffic in ED's. There is still a lot of uncertainty regarding this law and the impact it may have. There are 34 pain clinics in Knoxville. Knox County is considering opening up a POD (Point of Dispensing) site to help address the immediate needs and potentially keep people out of the EDs. There is a lot of brainstorming at this point and suggestions are welcome. Info on this new law needs to be shared with all hospitals and possible impact it may have.
 - June we will have our first 'educational' session for the Knox/East TN Healthcare Coalition at 2:30pm on June 14th at the Knox County Health Department. The regular coalition meeting will be at 1:30pm. The folks at UT Medical Center have graciously agreed to do a presentation on their K-9 unit. Please invite any additional people that may be interested in learning more about the program (Administration, Security, etc.).
<https://globenewswire.com/news-release/2014/06/12/643832/10085609/en/First-Dedicated-Hospital-K-9-Program-in-Tennessee-at-UT-Medical-Center.html>
 - Sadly we are losing 2 of our long standing Coalition members this month.
 - Carole Chambers will be a full time hospital surveyor with DMV. Carole has been with Blount Memorial Hospital for over 10 years and is an active member in the Healthcare Coalition. Her work within the healthcare community and the Coalition will be missed, but we wish her well in her new endeavors.
 - Angie Bowen will be leaving East TN. Children's Hospital to go to REACTS. She has worked at Children's Hospital for 25 years and has been a leading healthcare advocate for children throughout East Tennessee. Her contributions to our community and coalition have been many and we wish her well in her new career.
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		July (CA) 07/14/15	Aug 08/11/15	Sept 09/08/15	Oct 10/13/15	Nov 11/10/15	Dec	Jan	Feb 02/08/15	Mar 03/08//15	Apr	May	June
Hospital- Knox	East Tennessee Children's Hosp.	Christy Cooper	X	X		X	X		X	X		X	
		Bill Thurman											
		Steve Bohanan		X	X	X	X	X		X	X		
	Fort Sanders Regional Hospital	Robert Laney	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
	Other												
	North Knoxville Medical Center	Brenda Gray	X	X*	X*	X*	X		X		X*	X*	
	Other	Steve McCarthy					X		X	X*	X*		
	Parkwest Hospital	Paul Parsons	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
		Darrell Brackett											
	Physicians Regional Med. Center	Leonard Vaughn		X	X	X		X*	X		X		
	Other												
	Turkey Creek Medical Center	Tonya Shott	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	
	Other												
	U.T. Medical Center	Janet Rowe	X	X		X	X		X	X	X	X	
		David Pittman	X		X				X		X		
		Brian Hitch	X		X	X			X	X		X	
	Pennisula Hospital	Todd Roberts	X	X	X	X	X	X		X			
	Other												
	Covenant Health	Phil McDaniel	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
	Other												
Hospital-East	Blount Memorial Hospital	Carole Chambers	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	
		Ann Henry		X								X	
	Claiborne County Hospital	Mike Campbell			PP	X			X*			X*	
	Other												
	Fort Loudon Medical Center	David Walton	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
	Other												
	Jefferson Memorial Hospital	Larry Gilbert					X*			X*			
		Debbie Justice									X		

