

**MMRS Meeting
All Children's Hospital Education Center
October 6, 2006**

Minutes

Members Present: Attendance sheet on file with Suzanne DeKay.

New Members/ Guests: Manuel Reyes, MD, BayCare Health Systems; Charles Crowther, EMS/ Fire Administration; Betti Johnson, TBRPC Planner

Motion to approve minutes as written; seconded and approved.

Reports:

- STARS Update:
 - BayCare has completed the databridge for Hillsborough hospitals and will complete Pinellas hospitals when computer system conversion is complete.
 - Sun Coast moving away from UCH.
- EMS/ FirstWatch: Funded by county, who is currently trying to determine the value of the system.

Old Business:

- UASI Grant:
 - Focus on interoperable communications (Motabridge), which is a 3-5 year project.
 - Critical infrastructure assessments are being done at hospitals to determine areas of high priority.
 - Independent group is providing the assessments.
 - Question regarding radio communication between hospitals and EMS – **Kenny Livernois to determine use, guidelines and operating procedures of communications equipment.**
- NIMS:
 - St. Pete government is trained on 700 and 100.
 - More 300 and 400 classes are in the works.
 - PCSO hosting 300 and 400 classes.
 - Gayle Guidash and Steve LeCroy are available for training.
- Mark-1 Kits:
 - County would like to purchase Mark-1 kits for EMS at a cost of \$85,000 (3 kits per first responder) and are requesting reimbursement by MMRS.
 - Motion made, seconded and approved to not support reimbursement of the county for Mark-1 kits purchased for EMS.
 - Old Mark-1 kits should be thrown away according to pharmacy guidelines.

- Chempack is available for free from the CDC through the state DOH: contact Ken Sturrock at ken.sturrock@doh.state.fl.us.
- MMRS Funding:
 - Contract dispute has been cleared and the contract will go in front of the city council for approval (\$237,000).
 - Project that there will be a 2007 funding stream.
 - Committee needs to determine objectives for 06/07.

Committee Reports:

- Radiological:
 - Company representative was in Pinellas on 09/11-09/13 and visited most hospitals.
 - Testing was done at ACH and Northside to ensure nuclear medicine patients did not set off alarms. Results of test were that patients did not set off alarms.
 - **Gary Frank will email spec sheets on additional parts such as visual or remote monitors and basic response protocols.**
 - **Steve LeCroy will send a letter to Helen Ellis RSO regarding use of monitors.**
 - There are some electronic dosimeters in the community.
 - First responders should also have some type of monitoring.

New Business:

- December meeting: Moved to the second week of December.
- Contact Suzanne DeKay if there is something you would like removed from the MMRS website.
- AMTS: DOH owns Region 4 cache of pharmaceuticals and medical supplies. They are developing protocols on how to request and distribute the cache.
- Pandemic Influenza:
 - Contact Gayle Guidash if you have any ideas about how to spend pan flu money.
 - Develop good, strong public information activities.
- Vortran ventilators:
 - Gayle Guidash is collecting numbers of vents from each hospital. **Please send her the numbers for your hospital.**
 - Money from HRSA funding for Vortran because the vents are part of the mass care strategy.

Open Forum:

- Contact Gary Vickers for a copy of the CEMP.

Next meeting will be November 3rd at 9:30am in the ACH Education Center classroom.