

**Connecticut Emergency Medical Services Advisory Board
Regional Collaboration/Emergency Preparedness Subcommittee Meeting
March 2, 2022
Virtual**

In Attendance: Joseph Laucella, Judith Reynolds, Betty Morris, Paul Rabeuf, C.J. Dunn, Marc Hartog, William Fitzmaurice, Kevin Ferrarotti

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 11:05 AM by Joe Laucella. Attendance was verified.

Minutes: Draft minutes of the February 3, 2022 meeting were forwarded to CEMSAB, Joe will distribute them to the committee for review and approval at the next meeting.

Old Business:

EMS Leadership Guide:

Joe Laucella gave a brief review of the project inception, discussions and purpose. A sub-committee of the Regional Collaboration Committee has been working on developing a table of contents, the draft was distributed to the group for review and comment. Joe is asking everyone to send any additional topics the group would like to see to Joe Laucella and Judi Reynolds by next month's meeting. Sections will be assigned at next month's meeting for members to build out. The goal is to present a completed draft to CEMSAB by October.

Ambulance Strike Team Discussion

Joe Laucella spoke about different ambulance strike team models including a possible regional team. Ambulance strike teams are referenced in the FMOP but currently none exist in the state. Joe has spoken to OEMS Director Coler and DEMHS Coordinator Jake Manke both like the concept but recognize there are logistics that will need to be considered such as how to mobilize.

Discussion followed on:

- Planning
- Oversight
- Strike Team Model (Local, Regional, State)
- Establishing SOG's
- Mutual Aid Agreements
- Training
- Activation (Authority to activate/cause/purpose)
- Impediments

Following up on last month's discussions Joe Laucella contacted TEEX about strike team training, the courses are no longer offered. Discussion followed on developing a program internally with available resources.

Marc Hartog and Bill Ackley have contact with the New Jersey Ambulance Strike Team, Joe asked they reach out for any available information. Marc did note that the New Jersey EMS System is structured different than Connecticut which may make it difficult to adopt their model, but he will reach out.

Bill Fitzmaurice will bring the topic to the next CORP meeting for discussion.

New Business:

CEMSAB Annual Report

Joe Laucella has forwarded the 2021 CEMSAB Annual Regional Collaboration & Emergency Preparedness Committee Report to CEMSAB.

2022 Regional Collaboration & Emergency Preparedness Committee Projects

The committee will focus on two main projects for 2022; the EMS Leadership Guide and development of an ambulance strike team program.

Other Business/Information Sharing:

A free Electric Vehicle Safety for First Responder Training will be held on Saturday, April 30, 2022 from 9:00AM to 1:00PM at Echo Hose Ambulance Training Center, 430 Coram Avenue, Shelton. Pre-registration is required.

Register at: <https://www.classbug.com/businesses/2507/offerings>



EHAC Career Fair – April 27, 2022 – 3:00PM to 5:00PM - Echo Hose Ambulance Training Center, 430 Coram Avenue, Shelton.

Adjournment:

The meeting adjourned. Next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, April 7, 2022.

Respectfully Submitted:

Judi Reynolds
Regional Coordinator