

Southeastern Healthcare Preparedness Region

Winter Quarterly Meeting
February 26, 2025

Call to Order & Introductions

The Southeastern Healthcare Preparedness Region was called to order at 9:30am on February 26, 2025. The meeting was held virtually. A roundtable introduction of the meeting attendees was conducted.

I. Partner Updates

- **DRP Update**
 - No new updates right now. The next scheduled DPR meeting is April 8th in Brunswick County
- **NCOEMS**
 - EMS Expo registration is open. Find the link on their website.
 - EMS new vehicle inspection report is on their website
 - TDMA radio compliance will be coming in July 2025.
 - New EMS protocols were sent out – if there are any questions, reach out to OEMS staff.
 - HPP program has 2 new staff. Blair Richie who is assisting Kimberly with various preparedness activities, and Heather Ferguson who is the new training & exercise coordinator.
- **PHP&R Update**
 - New PHEP requirements similar to the new ASPR requirements. There is a possibility that some of the requirements can be met with DPR projects and funding.

II. Regional Responses – Hans Edwards

- **Wilmington Marathon**
 - Saw 75 patients with minor issues.
 - There was one incident where the track coach for Lainey High School was running the marathon with his students and had a cardiac arrest. His students performed CPR until EMS could get to him.
- **Onslow County LTC facility evacuation**
 - The NHNHRMC and Morehead City Fire Ambulance bus were used to evacuate 41 patients.
 - The facility was opening a new sister facility in Jacksonville at the time and they were able to move all patients to the new facility.
- **Airlink Crash**
 - 3 people were injured and sent to the hospital.
 - Airlink had a mandatory standdown after the crash for safety reasons.
 - Multiple agencies across the state were able to assist with transports while Airlink was down.

III. HVA Update – Heather Griffin

- A final draft of the SHPR regional HVA was sent out to partners.

IV. MRSE / Mass Casualty Exercise

- SHPR will be participating in a statewide mass casualty exercise that we will be able to use for our medical response surge exercise (MRSE).
- All SHPR partners are invited to participate. The exercise will be held on May 20th and will be virtual. There will also be a virtual training available to partners on May 8 in preparation for the exercise on the 20th.

V. Steering Committee

- Terri Dewees will remain the Steering Committee Chair, and David Dudding will serve as the Vice Chair

VI. SHPR Updates – Hans Edwards

➤ Regional Education

- NC Peer Support training will be held tomorrow through Friday at the Wrightsville Beach Fire Department
- We will be hosting a COOP training on April 8th at the SEAHEC Building

➤ NCDS

- NCDS will be on March 25-26th in New Bern. Registration is open. For more information and to get registered, visit www.nc-ds.com website.

➤ New Regional Partners

- On July 1st, Robeson County will become part of the SHPR region.

➤ SHPR Coalition Showcase

- We are planning to schedule a coalition showcase at the SHPR warehouse in May to give our partners a chance to come out and visit our warehouse. We will have our equipment and trailers on display.
- More information and details will be coming soon.

VII. Adjournment