

Southeastern Healthcare Preparedness Region

Summer Quarterly Meeting

May 17, 2023

I. Call to Order & Introductions

The quarterly meeting of the Southeastern Healthcare Preparedness Region was called to order at 9:35am on May 17, 2023. A roundtable introduction of the meeting attendees was conducted.

II. Regional Updates

➤ **DRP Update – Diana Hills**

- July 10 there will be a vote for EM, EMS, Municipal Fire, Municipal Police, Hospitals, and Communications. Public Health is looking to fill the alternate chair position.
- The State is asking for all agencies to update the regional asset list that has been distributed.

➤ **PHP&R – Christa Radford**

- Dr. Monica Ricks is the new pharmacist for the Eastern Region.
- There will be a CHEMPACK TTX exercise in Greenville on June 20th. The registration link is listed in TERMS.

➤ **OEMS – Paul Allen**

- The 513 staffing waiver is going away.
- Nick Stewart was hired for the education training position.
- OEMS will conduct an EOP exercise in conjunction with the 120 to Landfall Exercise being put on by SHPR & EHPC.
- ASPR is changing the grant requirements for capabilities. Currently there are 4 required but they will be adding an additional 4 capabilities. At this time we do not know if the additional 4 will be required.

➤ **RIPS – Jessie Williams**

- Previously their focus was on working with LTC/SNF facilities. They have hit most of the facilities in the region and they will now be shifting their focus to smaller group homes.
- Reporting requirements will be changing in the future.

➤ **LifeCare**

- They have extended outpatient services into Robinson County

➤ **NC Division of Agriculture – Anna Allen**

- Avian Influenza is still an issue around the state. If partners have any knowledge of any cases within their counties, please make sure to contact the department.

➤ **Dosher Hospital**

- They will be starting a multi-million construction project in the next 203 weeks. They are rebuilding their ED.
- No EMS intake will be affected.

➤ **SHPR – Hans Edwards**

- NCDS was March 21-22. We had just around 140 attendees. The attendance was lower this year than in the past. Next year's conference we will be changing the format back to one track instead of doing breakout sessions. The conference will be 2 full days as well. SHPR will be able to do some partner sponsorships to the conference.
- The new rehab trailer is on display in the parking lot. We will be supporting the Blueberry Festival in Burgaw as well as the 4th of July Festival in Southport with the new trailer.
- We deployed our 16-body temporary morgue trailer to Onslow County for a mass casualty exercise.
- We have a Peer Support Class scheduled on May 31 in Wilmington.
- In June we will start to send out monthly email of all training east of 95 as we have done in the past.

III. Agenda Items

➤ **Disaster Patient Movement Annex – David Ezzell**

- David presented the State patient movement annex as well as the went over the process for facilities to initiate an evacuation.

➤ **SHPR Program Information – Heather Griffin**

- A packet is available for agencies to take back with them that goes over the resource request process as well as the available mission ready packages that are available through SHPR.
- There is also a 24-hour contact page that identifies various means of communicating with SHPR.

➤ **120 to Landfall – Heather Griffin**

- The 120 to Landfall Functional Exercise is scheduled for May 24. This exercise will be exclusively virtual and will focus on hospital evacuation.

IV. Adjournment

The quarterly meeting of was adjourned at 11:30am.