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**Fire Chief’s Association of Broward County (FCABC)**

**Emergency Medical Service Subcommittee**

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| **Meeting Name** | FCABC EMS Subcommittee |  |  |
| **Date of Meeting** | 6-10-2021 | **Time** | 0900 – 1100 hrs. |
| **Board** | BC S. Shaw (Ft. Lauderdale Fire Rescue) - Chair, BC D. Moran (Davie Fire Rescue) – Co-Chair  BC S. Carter (Sunrise Fire Rescue) - Secretary |  |  |
| **Minutes Prepared By** | BC Carter | **Location** | Microsoft Teams - Cloud |
| **Meeting Objective** |  |  |  |
| Monthly meetings to collaborate, share information and ideas and improve healthcare outcomes in Broward County. |  |  |  |
| **Attendees** |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | **Fire-Rescue/EMS Agency/Chief** – Chief Moral, Chief McGrath, Chief Gunn, Chief Serrao, Chief J. Gonzalez, Chief H. Clarke, Chief Zitnick, Chief Maldonado Chief Huff, Chief Oatmeyer, Chief Levy, Chief Galgano, Chief Frasher, Chief Moran, Chief Moran, Chief Shaw, Chief Carter, Chief Cardona,  Chief Long, Captain Chin, Lt. C. Pocknee, Lt. Cinque, Susan Toolan  **Medical Director/Physician** – *Dr. Russinoff*, *Dr. Pepe*, *Dr. Antevy*, Dr. Boyar, *Dr. Lee*, *Dr. J. Roach*, *Dr. J. Cunha*  **Office of the Medical Examiner & Trauma Services (OMETS)** – Ms. A. Zerbe  **Broward County Healthcare Coalition (BCHC)** – Ms. K. Keys  **Florida Department of Health (FDOH)** – *Ms. T. Sudden*  **Broward County Environmental and Consumer Protection Division (BrowardECPD)** – Mr. R. Sluman  **Hospital/Healthcare Partners** – Mr. W. Morrison (BHMC), *Ms. M. Usher (FMC)*, Ms. J. Kurman (FMC), *Ms. C. Pineda (MRH)*, Ms. M. Castillo (BHN), Mr. R. Gross (BHIP), Ms. C. Hylton (BHIP), Ms. N. Strokin (MRH),  **Private Transport Service Provider –** Mr. R. Forbes (NHT), Mr. J. Pauwels (Century),  **Guest/Vendor** – J. Green (Henry Schein), J. Scogin (Ferno), Gisel Lepior (Stryker) |
| Agenda and Notes |  |  |  |
| **Topic** | **Discussion/Presentation** | **Action Items** | **Due Date/Next Review** |
| Call to Order | Chief Shaw – Chair @ 0907 hrs. |  |  |
| Approval of Minutes | Motion: Chief Serrao  Second: Chief Cardona |  |  |
| Opening Remarks | Chief Shaw – Chair  EMS Office at the State level (Mr. McCoy) – EMS is getting more accolades and responsibilities.  Chief Cardona -  EMS in Broward County is recognized worldwide. |  |  |
| Presentation |  |  |  |
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| Old Business | Student Field Internship – resumption of rides with Fire Rescue survey ongoing  IFT – waiting for data  HIE – Dr. Boyer – Background IT work, fall 2021 hopeful for rollout  MCI bags – Agencies should check inventory |  |  |
| Reports |  |  |  |
| State/County Grants | **Ms. A. Zerbe** **– OMETS**  The 2021-22 EMS Matching Grant results are posted on the following link: http://www.floridahealth.gov/provider-and-partner-resources/ems-grants/index.html Broward County received a little over $100,000 for projects within Broward County. Thanks to all who submitted applications as even if the funds are for a single agency, any funds coming into Broward County for EMS benefits us all. The EMS Matching Grant cycle is typically announced toward the end of the year. When the information is available, it will be distributed. The County Government EMS Grant Funds (separate from the Matching Grant) should be announced in July. That information will be distributed when available. |  |  |
| Trauma | **Ms. A. Zerbe** **– OMETS**  The next Trauma Systems Quality Improvement Committee meeting will take place Thursday, June 24th, 9AM at the Medical Examiner's Office. Due to room size, attendance will still be controlled. If you did not receive an invitation and have trauma business to discuss, reach out to Alison Zerbe for an invite. As this meeting is confidential, moving forward, calling into the meeting will not be permitted. |  |  |
| EMS Council | **Ms. A. Zerbe – OMETS**  The EMS Council is an official Broward County Board defined by Ordinance and provides recommendations regarding EMS in Broward County to the Board of County Commissioners. Each member seat is defined by Ordinance as well. We have several vacancies. If interested, contact Alison Zerbe. We are also in search of a new Chair for the EMS Council. At the June 3 meeting, Mr. Ralph Marrinson announced his retirement from the Council. He served since the 1980s and has been a key player in building the EMS system that we know in Broward County today. We appreciate his service and now have giant shoes to fill. Our next EMS Council meeting will be virtual on Thursday, September 2, 1:30PM. |  |  |
| Behavioral Health/CISM | No report |  |  |
| Broward County Healthcare Coalition | **Ms. K. Keys – BCHC/Broward Health**  Training Announcements coming out soon. BFA now available as a course site.  Fall 2021 exercise (hazmat/agencies/hospitals) decontamination drill being reviewed.  BCHC attendance important for grant eligibility.  BCHC contact book sent out.  Projects: $243K spent on projects. FY starts July 1, 2021 |  |  |
| FDOH Report | **Ms. T. Sudden – FDOH**  The State has moved from daily reporting to weekly reporting effective Friday, 6/4/21.  For the period 5/28/21 – 6/3/21, there are 242,550 cumulative cases of COVID-19 in Broward County, with 991 new cases during this period and a positivity rate of 2.5%.  COVID-19 Testing walk-up testing at Boulevard Heights Community Center and drive-thru testing at Mills Pond Park continues.  COVID Vaccination since March 1, 2020:1,012,386 doses administered to Broward County residents which is approximately 60%. Doses administered from 5/28/21 – 6/3/21 is 24,186.  DOH-Broward in partnership with BC, BSO and municipalities administered about 789,000  DOH-Broward has implemented a separate call center to answer questions from parents/guardians regarding school-based vaccination from 8:00 am to 6:00 pm weekdays.  DOH-Broward is participating in the “I Did It” as well as “Want Life to Get Back to Normal” multimedia social marketing campaigns to address vaccine hesitancy. DOH-Broward has also implemented a radio, print and social media campaign promoting sites and hours.  DOH-Broward, in partnership with Broward County and Municipal partners, is operating 7 drive-through and 2 walk-up vaccination points of distribution (PODs) for individuals aged 12 and up. Treetops park will close 6/17, Snyder Park on 6/18 and Pompano Citi Centre on 6/30 and others continue to be “right-sized” as demand decreases.  DOH-Broward is supporting municipalities to provide vaccination to individuals aged 12 and up at “pop-up” sites. 29 conducted in May and 21 are scheduled in June with more to be added.  DOH-Broward in partnership with Broward County Public Schools completed 2 rounds of vaccination in 48 Broward County public high schools and 2 participating charter high schools for students, staff and their families. Planning is in process for vaccinating in summer session.  FDEM continues to serve eligible homebound residents for vaccine in their residence. This program will be transitioning to DOH-Broward most likely sometime in June.  FDEM vaccination sites at Broward Community College North Campus in Coconut Creek and Vizcaya Park in Miramar will close 6/18/21 and theFDEM site at Vincent Torres Memorial park has been replaced by a mobile vaccination bus.  DOH-Broward received 2 bronze innovation awards from the National Association of County and City Health Officials for our work respiratory fit testing the National Guard, DOH-Broward staff and contract staff, the Regional Incident Management Team and Agency for Healthcare Administration. The second award was received for our work modifying our Mass Prophylaxis Plan to set up mass COVID testing sites and subsequently mass Vaccination sites.  Hurricane Readiness activities are well underway. Special Needs Shelter supplies are ready. |  |  |
| DOH & State Legislative | **Mr. J. Greene –**  Virtual state constituency meetings and EMS Advisory Council meeting July 26th to 30th. Working is continuing on the draft State EMS Strategic Plan 2022  **K. Keys – I**nquired about Pediatric survey source. Ms. Keys to follow-up. |  |  |
| Medical Issues: |  |  |  |
| Protocols | **Dr. Antevy –** Most agencies converted over from GBEMDA.  **Chief Cardona** – CSFR working on antibiotics in the field, esmolol, etc. General section being reviewed for CSFR and will share with other agencies when complete.  **Chief Gunn –** Took pertinent General Section of GBEMDA (8 sections) and converted to SOP  **Chief Moran** (DFR) – Converted DFR Medical Procedures section into SOP.  **Dr. Pepe** – Query as to if a paper copy of the protocols is required. Chief Cardona would like to transition to electronic only. Chief Carter mentioned disaster response considerations. Chief Clark has app and copy on tough books through ESO. No copies maintained on units. Printing impractical for BSO. Dr. Roach mentioned that Dr. Scheppke would be putting something out for agencies to be able to use electronic methods as sole requirement for protocols. CAAS does not have a requirement for paper copies. Chief Galgano -ACLS ecard is a digital copy. A hard copy at each station is easily updated. Chief Moran – There may be a regulatory reason for 3 printed hard copies but will research and Dr. Roach to review and get back to group. |  |  |
| EMS Training | No report. |  |  |
| CP-MIH | **Coral Springs -**  **Seminole -**  **Sunrise – Chief Carter** SFRD received a grant from DOH for CP program. Will share program successes with the group. |  |  |
| Infection Control | **Chief Carter** – Nothing new to report. |  |  |
| EMS Conference Committee | **Dr. Antevy** - First There First Care 2021 & Eagles Conference @ Seminole Hard Rock Hotel and Casino June 14-18, 2021  <http://firsttherefirstcare.com/wp/>  Most sessions sold out. Wednesday night is the Gala. Thursday and Friday is the Eagles conference.  **Dr. Pepe** – Theater of War Play should be a highlight of the conference. |  |  |
| Medical Issues Liaison | **Dr. Cunha**  Nothing to report. |  |  |
| EMD | **Dr. Roach –** May2021 – 59 CA cases (38 cases barrier v. 21 non barrier)  NB T1-T3 times 52 minutes, median time T4% = 66%  Barrier cases – T1-T3 Times 103 minutes, median time T4% = 51% |  |  |
| New Business |  |  |  |
| Good and Welfare | **Chief Cardona** – Thanks to Chief Shaw for giving a presentation to officer development class at CSFR. |  |  |
| Adjournment | **Chief Moran – Co-Chair**  Motion: Chief Cardona  Second: Dr. Pepe  **Meeting adjourned at 1108 hrs.** |  |  |

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