Florida Healthcare Coalition Task Force #

Meeting Summary

Date: May 15, 2014

Location: 9840 International Drive, Orlando, FL 32803

Members Present:

- Christie Luce, Department of Health; Statewide
- Connie Bowles, Lee Memorial Health System; RDSTF 6
- Dr. Brad Elias, Florida Department of Health; RDSTF 3
- Martha Casero, Miami-Dade County Healthcare Preparedness
- Holly Kirsch, Florida Department of Health; RDSTF 2
- Gary Kruschke, SMRT 1; RDSTF 1
- Dr. John Lanza, Florida Department of Health; RDSTF 1
- Ashley Lee, Florida Hospital Association; Statewide
- Matt Meyers, RDSTF 5 Regional Point-of-Contact
- Jeanine Posey, Florida Department of Health; Statewide
- Ray Runo, Region 2 Healthcare Coalition
- Terry Schenk, Florida Department of Health; Statewide
- Dan Simpson, Florida Department of Health; RDSTF 4
- Tony Suszynski, UF Health Jacksonville, First Coast Disaster Council; RDSTF 3
- Wendy Wilderman, Florida Health Department-DeSoto County; RDSTF 6
- John Wilgis, Florida Hospital Association; Statewide
- Cyna Wright, Keys Health Ready Coalition
- Paul Ford, Region 4 Health and Medical Healthcare Coalition

Guests Present

- Jennifer Sexton, Region 6
- Ann Hill, DMAT-1, Emerald Coast Healthcare Coalition
- Jay Brosnan, DMAT-1, Emerald Coast Healthcare Coalition
- Tom Knox, Florida Association of Community Health Centers
- Bruce Gottschalk, SMRT 6
- Tim Ketchie, Region 3
- Karen Ketchie, SMRT 3
- Paul Myers, Florida Department of Health-Alachua County
- Wendell Dumas, Division of Emergency Management
Objectives:

- Restructuring Health Care Coalition Task Force
- Outcomes of SPOT meeting as related to HCCs
- Discuss FY14-15 Deliverables
- Funding Allocation Formula (Base and Special Projects)

The meeting was started with introductions from the Healthcare Coalition Task Force and guests that were in attendance.

**FY 14-15 HCC Expectations / Funding Allocation Formula**

Healthcare Coalition (HCC) membership will be reconstructed for the next grant cycle. Each HCC will need to delegate a member to attend the face-to-face meetings; this member will represent the HCC and have ability to vote on behalf of the HCC. This Healthcare Coalition Task Force (HCCTF) member must be present at the meetings but may send alternate if HCCTF member is unavailable to attend.

There was discussion that DOH recognized HCC’s can apply for additional funding that should be based on a projected project that will help close the gaps recognized in the local HCC risk, resource and capability analysis. Each HCC will submit a work plan to DOH outlining the use of funds provided and the HCCTF members will prioritize and vote on the projects based on the additional funding that is available in carry over funds.

Based facilitation funding is based on percentage of statewide acute care and licensed nursing home beds in each HCC. The maximum amount awarded to the HCC will be $100,000 and the minimum amount will be $26,000. The Healthcare Preparedness Program (HPP) has been decreased by 37 percent for the 2014-15 funding year. Captain Paul Link, Project Officer for Region 4, has emphasized the grant funding should be based on the risk, resource and capability assessment.

**FY14-15 Deliverables**

Currently working on the deliverables for the grant year 2014-15, they will need to go through legal review and then sent out to each HCC. The new task matrix along with template for projects will be sent out as soon as completed. The Department of Financial Services is currently holding payments and auditing current contracts prior to making payments. The DOH Office of General Counsel has hired multiple attorneys to handle the over load, until then contracts will not go out.

The Florida Emergency Mortuary Operation Response System (FEMORS) contract is also changing. The DOH has discussed, with Jason Byrd, future training with recognized HCC’s. Jason Byrd has agreed to bring the local medical examiner to discuss local morgue capacity and how this can work into your local fatality management capability plan.
**Conclusion:** The DOH will share additional information as requested. Quarterly meetings for the next year will be decided and sent out. The HCCTF will be reconfigured and recommend members should be emailed to Jeanine Posey. Our next month teleconference will be held on Tuesday June 17, 2014 at 9:00AM. Appreciation was expressed to those attending, and encouragement was given to continue the good work as we move forward with HCC development across Florida.