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State of Florida EMS Advisory Council Disaster Response Guidelines Committee Minutes January 22, 2014

- I. Dr. Lozano called the meeting to order and welcomed all in attendance. He gave everyone the opportunity to introduce themselves to the group.
- II. Dr. Lozano called for approval of the October 2013 Meeting minutes. Julie Downey made the motion for approval. The motion carried without objection.
- III. Ken Devin provided and update on EM Resource noting that there is a planned "Go Live" cutover from Emergency Status System to EM Resource scheduled for April 1, 2014 for hospitals. Training is ongoing and drills will occur prior to the "Go Live" date. Julie Downey noted issues that her agency is having with the EM Track Scanners.
- IV. Dr. Lozano explained to the group Goal 7 of the 2014 2019 EMS Strategic Plan. He noted that the Committee will find it necessary to collaborate with other constituency groups to accomplish our objectives. Dr. Lozano noted that he is waiting on Dr. Nelson to share the final draft of the Disaster Protocols with the committee. He noted that outreach would occur to Dr. Nelson in order to obtain a copy of the protocols. Chief Julie Downey noted that there were many issues with the previous draft and she strongly recommended that the Committee have a chance to review and comment on the protocols before they are voted on by the EMS Advisory Council.
- V. Bobby Bailey provided a status report on future funding for the Bureau of Preparedness and Response. During his brief presentation he noted that a major source of grant funding for the Bureau is slated to be reduced by 30% nationwide for the 2014 – 2015 grant year. Mr. Bailey noted that this reduction could significantly impact the Bureau's ability to sustain the EMS PPE and chemical antidote programs in future years. He noted that Providers need make plans to add the cost of these responder safety and health programs to their operating budgets.
- VI. Bobby Bailey provided an update on the status of the Mass Casualty Support Plan noting the Planning in the Bureau of preparedness and Response was in the process of updating the document. A draft will be shared with the Committee as soon as it is complete.
- VII. Bobby Bailey provided an update on the status of the ESF 8 Patient Movement Support SOG noting that a draft will be shared with the Committee as soon as it is complete.

- VIII. Bobby Bailey provided an update on the status of the Joint Reception, Staging, Onward Movement and Integration Plan (JRSOI) Plan being drafted by the Division of Emergency Management noting that a draft will be shared with the Committee as soon as it is complete.
- IX. During open discussion Dr. Lozano provided a brief bio to the group noting his keen desire to enhance and improve EMS disaster preparedness in Florida. Chief Downey noted that Active Shooter exercises are being planned for her service area and recommends that other areas implement similar training in their service areas. Chief Downey further noted that there are documents available that address this type of response. Chief Downey provided the following links regarding Active Shooter planning for review:
 - IAFF position paper: <u>http://www.iaff.org/Comm/PDFs/IAFF_Active_Shooter_Position_Statement.pdf</u>
 - FEMA active shooter guide: <u>http://www.usfa.fema.gov/downloads/pdf/publications/active_shooter_guide.pdf</u>
 - Hartford consensus document: <u>http://c-tecc.org/c-tecc-announcement-iaff-position-statements-hartford-consensus-document</u>

Bobby Bailey noted that any Active Shooter planning effort should include a strong responder mental health component due to lessons learned during the Sandy Hook response.

X. With no further business, the meeting adjourned.