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**State of Florida  
EMS Advisory Council  
Disaster Response Guidelines Committee  
Agenda  
July 7, 2015 @ 16:00**

- I. Dr. Lozano opened the meeting and welcomed all in attendance. Dr. Lozano then announced the retirement of Chief Quillin.
- II. Dr. Lozano called for approval of the minutes. Chief Julie Downey made the motion for approval and Commander Jay Bronson seconded the motion.
- III. Jay Bronson, Commander of SMRT I, gave a presentation on the Florida State Medical Response System (SMRS) noting the new SMRS missions, their new relationship with the Florida Medical Reserve Corps Program, team funding, the request process, and team composition.
- IV. Dr. Nelson noted that no progress had been made toward an update or finalization of the Disaster Protocols. He noted that he will provide and update at the October meeting.
- V. Bobby Mills, Planner with the Department of Health, Bureau of Preparedness and Response gave a presentation on the Bureau's effort to develop health response related mission ready packages. Bobby Bailey agreed to provide contact information to Mr. Mills of EMS/Fire/Air Medical representatives that would be best positioned to assist him with this initiative.
- VI. Dr. Elias gave an update on the latest activities in the Bureau of Preparedness and Response Med Surge Section, State Medical Response Team MRC Transition, Medical Surge/Healthcare Coalitions and the recent HURREX/ ESF 8 Patient Movement Branch/SERT Air Branch experience.
- VII. Bobby Bailey provided and update on the impact of legislative and grant related reductions on the Bureau of Preparedness and Response. He noted that chemical antidote and EMS Level "C" PPE sustainment has not been funded this year. Additionally, he noted that providers that have expired chemical antidotes can dispose of them through their normal processes for pharmaceutical destruction. The antidotes do not need to be returned to the State Pharmacy.
- VIII. Chief Julie Downey informed the committee that she has been successful in posting onto the Florida fire Chief's website ([www.ffca.org](http://www.ffca.org)) many of the documents that were formerly hosted on the DoH website prior to its most recent re-organization. On the title page of [ffca.org](http://ffca.org) there is a tab on the left side of the page stating, "Statewide Emergency

Response Plan (SERP).” Clicking on that will take you to an unrestricted page where you can view the SERP as well as quite a number of other documents.

- IX. With respect to the SALT Mass Casualty Triage Algorithm (Sort, Assess, Lifesaving Interventions, Treatment/Transport). There was a recently released white paper that was distributed to the members of the committee. As a reminder, SALT is a field triage decision scheme, originally developed by the American College of Surgeons Committee on Trauma, and subsequently modified by a panel of experts from multiple stakeholder organizations. Chief Julie Downey distributed a 3 by 5 card that her agency was using as a training aid (a sort of crossover) to understand the differences between our current standard of START and SALT. The general sense of the committee is that this is not the time to embark upon a wholesale change state-wide to the new system although individual agencies may want to investigate it’s appropriateness for their purposes.
  
- X. With no further business, the meeting was adjourned.