Region H Coalition Meeting Minutes In person/WebEx August 11, 2022

**Megan Craft welcomed everyone in person & via WebEx 10:00a**

**Updates:**

**Bill Laird, EMA update:**

* Updated about EOY for EMA directors
  + Area 3 EMAG meeting August 25th

No one on call for EMS.

**Epi/EP update: Jennifer Stokes**

* No longer have an EPI. Jennifer will be doing both EP and EPI until we hire someone.
* Over the counter test kits are available at the district office for district 5-1 facilities. Have to have CLIA waver filled out. Contact Jill Bracewell if you need kits. Staff and families do not have to be reported but patients do.
* 5-2 contact for test kits is Heather Holloway
* Monkeypox response is low and we currently do not have any cases in our district. 775 cases in GA. We do have a small amount of vaccines available for close contacts. Get in touch with the Health Dept if you have been a close contact.
* We have had a handful of people test for monkeypox but all have been negative. It is transmitted from skin to skin contact. Low transmission rate for HC workers in proper PPE.
* Covid is still here with a highly contagious variant with moderate symptoms.
* EP is back to normal routine with trainings, etc.

**Whitney Smith, Georgia Project First Line:**

* She is the IPCEE representative for Region H for the Georgia Project First Line.
* Started with 9 IP representatives for Region H and now have 17
* The study group for them started and is biweekly for CIC exam. Have to be IP for 2 years to sit for exam.
* For the IP’s wanting to take the tests everything will be provided through GPFL
* Whitney provided IPCE PowerPoint that is uploaded into GHA.

**Adrianne Feinberg, GHA:**

* MATF Sept 16 still up in the air if we will have it or not (at GPSTC if we do).
* Mallory is still doing Everbridge, GHA and WebEOC training. Please reach out if you want the training or a refresher or if you want to clean up your contacts in Everbridge. Everbridge trainings are Tuesdays at 1:00.

**Key Speaker: Southern Linc, Lonnie Pate, Tracy Edenfield**

* Southern Linc provided update for Coalition on all new products and why they have the best service.
* They updated all Southern Lincs that people had with them.
* Lunch was also provided by Southern Linc as well as prizes for Coalition members.

**Megan Craft**-

* First time in a long time for formalities at Coalition meeting but the Nursing Home position on the Executive Committee is vacant. A vote was made, and Donna Holman will be taking over that position! All Coalition members were in agreeance.
* Megan updated everyone on the budgets. 2022-2023 budget has been submitted and we are waiting on the contract.
* Contract is no longer with UGA. Budgets will now go through GHA (this is how it used to be 5 years ago). We will update when we can on finalities of contract.
* Our main focus last year was Burns. We purchased Burn Trauma bags and supplies to go in each bag for our 911 EMS trucks and our hospitals. I completed the 20 bags that we budgeted for and they are here for pickup. Hospitals get the bags first and then EMS partners. Please pick up after meeting and sign off that you received.
* No exercises were held last year due to COVID. It is a possibility that we will have one giant exercise this coming year- Pediatric, burn, radiation and chemical combined if the state is involved. Will update on that as we get updates. The idea would be an explosion near a school that caused burns, etc.

**Upcoming Conferences/Events:**

* STB Training-TBD but they are now offering virtual. That will happen soon!
* A training will be provided at the next Coalition meeting.
* ICS 300-400 was requested by Coalition members at the meeting. Need to provide and complete pre requisites before taking this class.
* MRSE (previously known as the Surge test) is postponed until 2023.

**District Information and where to find it:**

* You can find information for District 5-1 on [www.southcentralhealth.info](http://www.southcentralhealth.info) and on <https://northcentralhealthdistrict.org/> for district 5-2.
* Region H website: [www.Garegionhcoalition.com](http://www.Garegionhcoalition.com) and [www.GHA911.org](http://www.GHA911.org).

**Lunch was sponsored by SOUTHERN LINC!**

**The Group adjourned at 1:00p**

**Next Coalition Meeting will be Thursday November 10, 2022 @ 10:00a-1:00p In person & WebEx.**