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HOMELAND SECURITY SUBCOMMITTEE

Committee Meeting Date and Location:

November 1, 2019

1970 W. Broad St., Conference Room 1106

Columbus, OH 43223

Committee Members Present:

David Gerstner (Chair), Geoffrey Dutton (Vice Chair) Eric Burgess, Jeffrey Jackson, Mark Resanovich, Micah Stoll, Dr. Michael Zorko, Karen Beavers

Committee Members Absent:

Chris Kyer, Deanna Harris

DPS and EMS Staff Members Present:

James Burke, EMS Chief, Education/Fire Testing; Aria Sovann, EMS Support

State Partners Present:

Tamara McBride, ODH; Thomas Muldrow, ODH

Public Present:

Brian Springer, MD; John Gutsmedl

Welcome and Introduction

The meeting was called to order at 10:03 am and introductions were made.

Review of October 4, 2019 Minutes

The minutes for October 4, 2019 meeting of the subcommittee were reviewed. Verification of attendance was confirmed. A request to have Ms. McBride and Mr. Muldrow listed under State Partners instead of Public was approved.

ACTION: Motion to approve the Homeland Security Subcommittee meeting minutes from October 4, 2019. Mr. Resanovich – First. Dr. Zorko – Second. None opposed. None abstained. Motion approved.

Homeland Security issues and concerns

The following documents were passed around for review:

- John's Hopkins newsletter addressing the preparedness for epidemics and pandemics
- A 2014 article providing information about a plant that produces a toxin called Abrin, which is currently being used by a terrorist organization in Indonesia
- International Public Safety Association (IPSA) Journal discussing psychological concerns
- Counterterrorism tradecraft guide on how to evaluate unusual threat reporting
- National Counterterrorism Center (NCTC) showed the evolution of ISIS's global caliphate and terrorist threats in the United States
- Joint Intelligence bulletin mentioning the death of Abu Bakr al-Baghdadi
- Flyer for Metropolitan Medical Response System (MMRS) Conference

There was a recap of the Ebola situation discussed in previous meetings. There were no further updates for Ebola this month.

New Business

New assignments by Scope of Practice (Medical Oversight Committee)

Tactical EMS (TEMS)

A brief history of TEMS was given. The history differs greatly from today. Today, TEMS is growing and has been nationalized. TEMS and Tactical Combat Casualty Care (TCCC) is being recognized, accepted and is becoming standard. Interest in the TEMS component is spreading.

A TEMS endorsement will not be mandatory, but will be recognized by the State Board of Emergency Medical, Fire, and Transportation Services (EMFTS) Board that the holder has gone above and beyond their initial training and shows that the holder has knowledge of additional skills.

The subcommittee will continue to work on the definition for TEMS.

Rescue Task Force operations

No further updates on these items this month.

Old Business

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A modified copy of the Job Action sheet was passed around and debated upon. The final draft will be presented at the EMS Medical Director's Conference which takes place on November 13, 2019.

Rescue Task Force

There was an inquiry regarding requiring, or at least recommendation for, Rescue Task Force (RTF) awareness training for law enforcement.

Review of the Rescue Task Force/Active Shooter training program

No further updates on these items this month.

Rescue Task Force “Best Practices” Conference

Suggested dates to discuss the conference have been sent out. The meeting will take place before the next Homeland Security Subcommittee meeting.

Improve Quality of Patient Care Pillar – Human Resources Committee update

The Human Resources Committee (HRC) is working on concepts to present at the EMFTS February Retreat. The new concept can be shared after approval. Quality of CE is being covered under the Human Resources Committee (HRC) due to its role as part of recruitment, retention, quality of education, and improvement of quality care.

Improve Population Health through Prevention & Wellness Pillar– Human Resources Committee update

The HRC is combining their November and December meeting into an all day workshop on December 16, 2019 where they will be working on their presentation for the EMFTS February Retreat.

Weapons of Mass Destruction (WMD) Manual

No further updates on these items this month.

Recap of action items

There are no action items for this month.

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 1pm.

ACTION: Motion to adjourn at 1pm. Karen Beavers – First. Geoffrey Dutton – Second. None opposed.
None abstained. Motion approved.

Next meeting:

December 6, 2019

10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

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